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INTRODUCTION

THE Yale Law Library was fortunate in being chosen by the Honorable Macgrane Coxe as the permanent home of the Blackstone Collection which he had brought together with the aid of Charles C. Soule of Boston. The choice of this library was a logical one. Mr. Coxe had received a B.A. degree at Yale in 1879; the honorary degree of M.A. was conferred in 1908. From 1906 to 1917 he lectured on the law of bankruptcy in the Yale Law School. As a practicing lawyer in New York City, he specialized in railroad law. For four years he was assistant United States district attorney for the Southern district of New York, and for seven years he served as United States commissioner of the Circuit Court for the same district. In 1897 he represented the United States as Minister to Guatemala and Honduras. From 1899 until his death in 1923, he practiced law in New York City and served as referee in bankruptcy.

To the original gift of his Blackstone Collection in 1907, Mr. Coxe made additions in 1913, and at that time provided generously for putting the collection in good physical condition. Full binding in "Niger" goatskin was given to volumes which needed binding or rebinding. In rebinding, old backs and labels were preserved where possible; on other volumes the old style of binding was imitated.

Since 1913, gifts by other donors and the purchase of many items have increased the Blackstone Collection in the Yale Law Library to 539 volumes.

SCOPE OF THIS CATALOGUE

THE *Catalogue* includes only printed material which has been *collated by the compiler*. It is primarily a description

of books owned by the Yale Law Library and the Yale University Library, but it includes information concerning other editions known to exist. It has been checked with lists of Blackstone items in various libraries and in bibliographical lists, and it is believed to describe the most comprehensive collection of editions and abridgments of the *Commentaries* to be found in any one library. Two hundred and seventy-one numbered items comprise for the most part, separately printed works.¹ A few analytical entries are included in the American Abridgments and in the Miscellaneous Works, for items which were printed in *collections or general legal works*. Of the 271 items, twenty-one are in the Yale University Library; these do not form part of the Yale Law Library Blackstone Collection. Notes to the respective items indicate University Library ownership. The remaining items are in the Yale Law Library. The twenty-one items in the University Library are not duplicates of Blackstone items in the Yale Law Library.

In the cataloguing of this collection, much bibliographical information not available in any printed list was unearthed. W. G. Hammond made a beginning with his "Bibliography of the *Commentaries*" in volume one of his edition of the *Commentaries*, 1890; Charles C. Soule, who collected for Mr. Coxe the bulk of the Yale Law Library Blackstone Collection, contributed a check-list of editions of the *Analysis* and the *Commentaries*, in *Legal Bibliography*, January, 1903. The *Hampton L. Carson Collection Catalogue of Exhibits*, 1930, lists a fine collection of Blackstone items in the Free Library of Philadelphia.

¹Five extra-numbered items were inserted too late for consecutive numbering.

STYLE OF THIS CATALOGUE

SIZE is given in centimeters. When the terms *octavo*, *quarto*, etc. are used to distinguish editions, they indicate *fold*, not size. Collation is given in pages and leaves instead of in signatures, with a few exceptions in which both are noted. Pagination errors are indicated. The criterion for the inclusion of notes was: What will distinguish an edition, or a volume of an edition, from others similar to it? It is hoped that these notes will enable users of the *Catalogue*, in case of need, to identify a volume which lacks a title page. The complete title, when not given at the beginning of an item, is indicated by a note referring to another item where the exact title appears. The words "Commentaries on the laws of England" in all except the first of the titles in sections I and III, are abbreviated to "Commentaries . . ." Square brackets [] in a title or quotation, indicate material supplied by the compiler of this *Catalogue*, but square brackets which appear on a title page or in quotations are indicated by < >. Free use is made of quotations from the books themselves to aid in identifying a particular work, and to show what the editor or compiler did to *supplement or change Blackstone's text*. The exact form in which the date appears on the title page (*i.e.* Roman or Arabic numerals) and its punctuation, are indicated. For editions which have different Roman dates for the several volumes, the imprint statement gives the Arabic dates, with note below giving the various dates in Roman numerals.

GENESIS AND PUBLICATION OF THE COMMENTARIES

IN the eighteenth century, an age of prose which gave us Dr. Johnson the critic, Swift the satirist, Fielding the novelist, and Gibbon the historian, Sir William Black-

stone took for his province all the laws and institutions of England. The stately bewigged jurist of the Gainsborough portrait was but thirty years old when he gave his first course of law lectures at Oxford in 1753, where from 1758 to 1762 he was Vinerian professor of the laws of England. For his lectures he prepared a syllabus, published anonymously in 1756 as *An Analysis of the Laws of England*. These lectures, developed through years of oral delivery and polished by his own careful revisions, were first printed in 1765 as the first volume of the *Commentaries*. Blackstone wished to forestall the publication of a pirated edition from the numerous manuscript transcriptions of the lectures which were circulated by his students.

As Vinerian professor, Blackstone was requested to read his lectures to the Prince of Wales, afterwards George the Third. The diffident young lecturer found an excuse for declining the honor, but sent "copies of many of them" to the Prince, who returned them with a "handsome gratuity." We may surmise that the copies were written with scrupulous neatness in Blackstone's handwriting. The four morocco bound manuscript volumes of the lectures, which were presented to the Library of the Law Society by J. D. Blake, a London attorney, in 1832, are claimed to be Blackstone's own copy, written by himself.² W. S. Holdsworth, who has seen and described three manuscript transcripts of these law lectures, including this one claimed to be Blackstone's copy, does not believe this claim can be substantiated.³ A bibliography of existing manuscript copies of the law lectures has not appeared in print.

The reader must pick his way carefully between facts

²Law Journal, 58:274.

³Cambridge Law Journal, 4:261.

and fiction in the stories related about the actual composition of the *Commentaries*. Tradition says that the fourth book of the *Commentaries* was written on the first floor (south) of number 2 Brick Court, Middle Temple, with interruptions from a lively neighbor overhead, Oliver Goldsmith, who is said to have spent a portion of the profits from his comedy *The Good-Natured Man* in the hilarious entertaining which provoked the sober Doctor of laws to frequent complaint.⁴ If the story be true, the revelry may have given point to Blackstone's discussion of "nuisances" in book four of the *Commentaries*. This account would place Blackstone's residence there at about 1768, "but from the records of the Middle Temple, Blackstone cannot be traced as occupying at that time any chambers in Brick Court."⁵ The great commentator's sobriety is indisputable, but according to a story circulated by his contemporaries, Lord Stowell, Doctor Johnson, Boswell, and others, Blackstone found that his thoughts flowed more freely when a bottle of port was placed conveniently near him as he wrote.

Blackstone's *Commentaries* is included in the Grolier Club list of one hundred famous books. It was a "best-seller" in the author's lifetime; it not only provided a generous income for the professor, his wife Sarah, and their seven children, but doubtless replenished the larder for the Dublin printers and booksellers, whose first pirated edition was printed 1766 to 1770, each volume being dated a year after Blackstone's corresponding Oxford volume. Blackstone is said to have received 14,000 pounds from the lectures, the sale of the *Commentaries* while he had the copyright, and the sale of the

⁴Canada Law Journal, 46:720.

⁵Macassey, Sir Lynden L. The Middle Temple's Contribution to the National Life, 1931. p. 63.

proprietorship to Messrs. Strahan, Cadell, and Prince. Daniel Prince mentions the purchase in a letter dated August 4, 1783.⁶ Whether or not Blackstone objected to sharing the profits with the Dubliners, he must have resented the existence of the so-called “fifth” Dublin edition (actually reprinted from his own fourth Oxford edition) which was on sale the same year that his *revised* fifth Oxford edition appeared. The numbering of the Irish editions is misleading; English and Irish editions with the *same edition number* do not correspond as to text. Blackstone changed from quarto to octavo format for this fifth edition, possibly to compete with the cheaper Dublin reprints in octavo. Four of the Dublin pirated editions published during Blackstone’s lifetime are in the Yale Law Library.

All the English editions of the *Commentaries* published before Blackstone’s death consist of four volumes, corresponding to the four books into which he divided the subject of English law. In America, early printers added to these four books a fifth volume: Robert Bell’s extra volume was *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone’s Commentaries*; Isaiah Thomas and E. T. Andrews issued as their fifth volume Christian’s *Notes to Blackstone’s Commentaries*.

Blackstone’s celebrated work is unusual among legal treatises in having been published twice “in numbers.” Avid readers bought the novels of Dickens and Scott in this perishable form, but when the Law, in wig and robe, appeared in “eighteen pence” numbers, it was indeed an innovation. Edward Christian frankly declared, “A publication in numbers is in general not thought creditable to an author who takes upon himself any degree of respon-

⁶Nichols, John. *Literary Anecdotes of the Eighteenth Century*, vol. 3, p. 696.

sibility in a literary work." Despite his aversion to this form of publication, Christian's edition, 1793-1795, as well as John Bell's 1813 Apollo press edition are said to have been issued in this manner. Available information concerning them is given under items no. 21 and 29 in the *Catalogue*.

The irregular numbering of English editions after the fifteenth edition, 1809, is referred to in notes to item no. 28.

ROBERT BELL'S AMERICAN EDITIONS

BELL's American editions of the *Commentaries*, in four volumes, with the *Appendix* volume five, are described in greater detail than other items, as they are bibliographical puzzles. In cataloguing this collection, volume four of the rare first American *quarto* edition, dated 1772, came to light. Inquiries were made for other copies. The American Antiquarian Society was said to have the four *quarto* volumes of the *Commentaries* and the *quarto* fifth volume, or *Appendix*. A succession of letters passed between the Librarian of that Society and the Yale Law Librarian, climaxed by Mr. Vail's sending to the Yale Law Library his so-called "quarto" volumes for collation. The first four volumes proved to be duplicates of the Yale Law Library "octavo" edition of 1771-1772. The fifth volume, however, was obviously the genuine *quarto*, but imperfect, lacking twelve signatures. The *quarto* volume four in the Yale Law Library is still, so far as is known, unique. Mr. Allen T. Hazen concurred with the compiler in thinking that the Yale Law Library "octavo" is actually an octavo, and not a trimmed *quarto*, although the volume four *quarto* and the volume four octavo appear to be printed from the same setting of type. The centimeter measurements of the *quarto* volume four

correspond to the proportions of the quarto volume five in the American Antiquarian Society Library.

We know then that the quarto volumes four and five were printed by Robert Bell. He stated in an advertisement inserted in the 1773 issue of his *Palladium of Conscience* that volumes four and five had been printed, and that volumes one to three "are now printing at Philadelphia." If no complete quarto volumes one to three are in existence, what happened to those sheets of the three volumes which had already been printed?

The cost of the four *octavo* volumes was two dollars per volume, and the *octavo Appendix* was a dollar and a half. The *quarto* edition was advertised at three dollars per volume for volumes one to four, and two dollars for the *Appendix*. The compiler holds the theory that Bell decided to issue the quarto edition after he had already printed volumes one to three of the *octavo*, and that he printed quarto and *octavo* volumes four from the same setting of type, planning to *reprint* volumes one to three in quarto afterwards. Probably the quarto edition which he advertised was not subscribed for, but having started the printing, he used what sheets he had already printed in *quarto* in making up "octavo" volumes by combining the sheets with additional signatures in *octavo*. This might explain the variations in chain-lines in some copies of the 1771-1772 *octavo* volumes two and three, in the 1772-1775 reprints of volumes one to three which Yale Law Library has, and in the various issues of the *Appendix* volume five.⁷ In the 1772-1775 reprint, the omission of the American editor's note regarding spelling (*see* no. 80 in the *Catalogue*) and the many orthographic changes made by him indicate that Robert Bell could no longer

⁷On "mixed formats," *see* McKerrow, Ronald B. *An Introduction to Bibliography for Literary Students*, 1928. p. 104 and 174.

lend his press to the propagation of the “peculiar” spelling of one of England’s “great men.” Robert Bell’s Blackstone imprints appear in the *Catalogue* as no. 80–82, and 255–257.

Disappointing sales for the *Appendix* volume five may explain also why Bell issued this work with two such different titles in Philadelphia in the year 1773. If *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone’s Commentaries* would not interest readers, he would tempt them with *The Palladium of Conscience*. The eccentric formats of Robert Bell’s Blackstone imprints deserve more detailed study and the collation of various “states” among existing copies. There may be a simple explanation of the eccentricities, for as practitioners of the art of printing know, “Anything can happen in a printing office.”

Information concerning other editions and other Blackstone items in public and private collections, and important variations from copies described in this *Catalogue* will be gratefully received by the compiler, in care of the Yale Law Library.

I

ENGLISH AND IRISH EDITIONS OF
THE COMMENTARIES

Commentaries on the laws of England . . . By William Blackstone . . . Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, 1765-1769. [1]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 30½ x 24½ cm.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1. M.DCC.LXV. Vol. 2. M.DCC.LXVI. Vol. 3. M.DCC.LXVIII. Vol. 4. M.DCC.LXIX.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., iii, [3] p., 2 l. [3]-473 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 436, vii, [38] p., 1 l.

Vol. 2 contains "Table of consanguinity" facing p. 203, folded "Table of descents" facing p. 240, and tables included in text on p. 204, 206, and 463.

Title page of vol. 1 reads: Book the first. By William Blackstone, esq. Vinerian professor of law, and Solicitor General to Her Majesty; vol. 2-4: Book the second. [-fourth] By William Blackstone, esq. Solicitor General to Her Majesty.

Dedication "To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty" follows title page of vol. 1.

Lists of "Errata": Vol. 1, page following preface has four lines; vol. 2, page following table of contents has twelve lines.

Contents. Book I. Introduction. (On the study of the law. Of the nature of laws in general. Of the laws of England. Of the countries subject to the laws of England.) Of the rights of persons. Book II. Of the rights of things. Appendix. (Vetus carta feoffamenti. A modern conveyance by lease and release. An obligation, or bond, with condition for the payment of money. A fine of lands, fur cognizance de droit, come ceo, &c. A common recovery of lands, with double voucher.) Book III. Of private wrongs. Appendix. (Proceedings on a writ of right patent. Proceedings on an action of trespass in ejectment, by original, in the King's Bench. Proceedings on an action of debt, in the Court of Common Pleas; removed into the King's Bench by writ of error.) Book IV. Of public wrongs. Appendix. (Record of an indictment and conviction of murder, at the assises. Conviction of manslaughter. Entry of a trial instanter in the Court of King's Bench, upon a collateral issue; and rule of court for execution thereon. Warrant of execution on judgment of death, at the general gaol-delivery in London and Middlesex. Writ of execution upon a judgment of murder, before the King in Parliament.) Index.

First edition, quarto; according to the author's preface it was published because transcripts of his lectures "in their nature imperfect, if not erroneous

. . . have fallen into mercenary hands, and become the object of clandestine sale. Having therefore so much reason to apprehend a surreptitious impression, he chose rather to submit his own errors to the world, than to seem answerable for those of other men." This preface, vol. 1, p. [i]-iii, is without date. For the "surreptitious impression," see no. 3. In the second Oxford edition, this preface was reprinted and dated 2 Nov. 1765. See no. 2.

Some copies of the first edition contain a Supplement. The title page reads: "Supplement to the first edition; containing the most material corrections and additions in the second." This is a quarto pamphlet of eight pages, with pages the same size as those of vol. 1, in which it is bound. The Postscript on p. iv of preface to second Oxford edition of the *Commentaries* explains the publication of this *Supplement*: "Upon a careful revisal of the former edition of this volume, the author hath found it necessary to supply some omissions and correct many errors, partly from his own observation, and partly pointed out to him by the candor of his learned friends. These he once had intended to publish separately, as a supplement to the former impression; but found them sometimes too minute, and in general too much interwoven with the body of the work, to be easily distinguished and extracted. An undertaking of this nature must always be open to improvement: but he hopes that the subsequent volumes will stand in less need of correction. 2 Nov. 1766."

This excessively rare *Supplement* in a first edition of the *Commentaries* is occasionally listed by English booksellers. Between November 2, 1765 and November 2, 1766, Blackstone revised the first edition of vol. 1. The *Supplement* was probably printed during that period, bound in some copies of vol. 1, and withdrawn when the author decided to publish a second edition. Harvard Law School Library has a copy of the first edition containing the *Supplement*.

* *Commentaries* . . . 2d ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, 1766-1769. [2]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 29½ x 22½ cm.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1. M.DCC.LXVI. Vol. 2. M.DCC.LXVII. Vol. 3. M.DCC.LXVIII. Vol. 4. M.DCC.LXIX.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., iv, [2] p., 2 l. [3]-485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 436, vii, [38] p., 1 l.

Preface, vol. 1, p. [i]-iv, dated 2 Nov. 1765, is followed on p. iv by Postscript, dated 2 Nov. 1766. (See note to no. 1.)

List of "Errata": Vol. 2, page following table of contents has seven lines.

In this quarto edition, vol. 3-4 are first edition. No second edition of vol. 3-4 was published. For title, see no. 1.

* *Commentaries* . . . Dublin, Printed for John Exshaw, Henry Saunders, Samuel Watson, and James Williams, 1766-1770. [3]

4 v. 2 folded tables. 22 x 14 cm.

Booksellers' names vary in imprint of different volumes.

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[2] vols. 344 labels 1880, see note
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[3] Set 2 in missing vol. 1.

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C. 2. ... (law 4.2)

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Imprint dates: Vol. 1. M.DCC.LXVI. Vol. 2. M.DCC.LXVII. Vol. 3. M.DCC.LXIX. Vol. 4. M.DCC.LXX.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., iii, [2] p., 2 l. [3]-473 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 436, vii, [46] p.

Title page of vol. 1 has misprint "Willaim" for William in author's name; with this exception, titles of all four volumes read as in no. 1. This pirated edition, the first *octavo* edition published, follows text of first Oxford edition, reproducing in full Blackstone's undated preface, wherein he anticipates a "surreptitious impression."

A former owner of this copy has added this critical marginal note: "The author is a sensible kind of man, but, for a university man, a poor gramarian."

Commentaries . . . 3d ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, 1768-1769. [4]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 28 x 22 cm.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1-3. M.DCC.LXVIII. Vol. 4. M.DCC.LXIX.

Collation is the same as in no. 2.

Preface, vol. 1, p. [i]-iv, dated 2 Nov. 1765.

For title, *see* no. 1. In this quarto edition, vol. 3-4 are first edition. No Blackstone *revision* of vol. 3-4 was published until the fourth edition appeared. A Dublin pirated "third edition," vol. 1-2, 1769, and vol. 3, 1770, listed in Sweet & Maxwell's *Bibliography of English Law*, vol. 2, has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. No third Dublin edition of vol. 4 is known to have been published.

The *Carson Collection Catalogue*, 1930, lists a copy of this edition which has as frontispiece in vol. 1, an undated portrait of Blackstone as justice of the Court of Common Pleas. This portrait is a later insertion, for Blackstone was not appointed justice of Common Pleas until February 9, 1770.

Commentaries . . . 4th ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LXX. [5]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 28½ x 22 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii, [4], 485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 436, vii, [38] p., 1 l. (Yale Law Library copy of vol. 1 lacks one leaf following preface p. ii. *See* note below.)

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, p. 187 numbered 184; vol. 3, p. 325 numbered 523 and numbers inverted; vol. 4, p. 144 numbered 44.

Title pages read: Book the [first-] fourth. By William Blackstone, esq. Solicitor General to Her Majesty.

Preface, vol. 1, p. [i]-ii, dated 2 Nov. 1765.

This quarto edition is called fourth on title page of all volumes, although no Blackstone *revision* of vol. 3-4 had been published prior to 1770. This

edition is the first to have Blackstone's preface of the first edition, five paragraphs, abbreviated to three paragraphs.

Yale University Library has a copy of the fourth edition in which vol. 3-4 duplicate those volumes in Yale Law Library, and vol. 1-2 differ from those in the Law Library. Vol. 1 has different collation (2 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [4], [3]-485 p.) because of variations in two unnumbered leaves as follows: following p. ii of preface is leaf which reads "Commentaries on the laws of England. Book the first." (This leaf is not in Law Library copy.) Table of contents is followed by text of introduction. (In Law Library copy, a leaf which reads "Introduction. Of the study, nature, and extent of the laws of England" is inserted between table of contents and text of introduction; this leaf is lacking in University Library copy.) A complete volume probably has signatures a₁₋₄, b₁₋₂, A₁ preceding text of introduction which begins with signature A₂.

Vol. 2 varies typographically as follows: page number 135 printed as 135. (In Yale Law Library vol. 2, it is printed correctly); p. 187 has correct page number and last line of text reads "have but one estate among them." (In Law Library vol. 2, p. 187 incorrectly numbered 184, and last line of text reads "one estate among them.")

✓ Commentaries . . . 4th ed. . . . Dublin, Printed for John Exshaw, Henry Saunders, Boulter Grierson, and James Williams, MDCCLXXI. [6]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14 cm.

Booksellers' names vary in imprint of different volumes.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l., iv, [2] p., 2 l. [3]-485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p.

Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 436, vii, [46] p.

Vol. 2, p. 405 incorrectly numbered 540.

Title pages read: Book the first. [-fourth] By Sir William Blackstone, one of His Majesty's justices of the honourable Court of Common Pleas.

This octavo pirated edition follows text of third Oxford edition in vol. 1-2, and of first Oxford edition in vol. 3-4. For authentic fourth edition, *see* no. 5.

✗ Commentaries . . . 5th ed. Oxford, Clarendon press, printed for William Strahan, Thomas Cadell, and Daniel Prince, MDCCLXXIII. [7]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 21 x 13½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [4], 485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3.

4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 443, vii, [50] p., 1 l.

This was the first *Oxford* edition to be published in octavo; it was also the first edition to contain the "Table of precedence" in vol. 1, p. 405. For title, *see* no. 5. In this copy, Sir William Blackstone's poem *The Lawyer's Farewell to His Muse* has been copied in manuscript by a former owner.

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English and Irish Editions of the Commentaries 5

Commentaries . . . 5th ed. . . . Dublin, Printed for John Exshaw, Henry Saunders, James Williams, and David Hay, MDCCLXXIII. [8]

4 v. 2 folded tables. 21½ x 14½ cm.

Booksellers' names vary in imprint of different volumes.

Collation: Vol. 1. vi, [2], 485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 436, vii, [46] p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 1, p. 27 numbered 72, p. 366 numbered 330, and p. 433 numbered 453.

Title pages of vol. 1-3 read: Book the [first-] third. By Sir William Blackstone, one of His Majesty's justices of the honourable Court of Common Pleas; vol. 4: Book the fourth. By William Blackstone, esq. Solicitor General to Her Majesty. (On title pages of vol. 1-2, edition statement precedes Blackstone's name; in vol. 3-4, edition statement follows Blackstone's name.)

This octavo pirated edition follows text of fourth Oxford edition, 1770. For authentic fifth edition, *see* no. 7.

In this copy, containing bookplate of Lord Alverstone, Lord Chief Justice of England, are bound thirteen portraits which were not a part of the Dublin edition as published; these portraits were published in the twelfth London edition, 1793-1795. (*See* no. 21); they are inserted in this pirated edition in the same relative positions in the respective volumes. The Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left, frontispiece of vol. 1, was engraved by J. Hall. The two folded tables which belong in vol. 2, are bound in vol. 1.

Commentaries . . . 6th ed. London, Printed for W. Strahan, T. Cadell, and D. Prince, MDCCLXXIV. [9]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 28 x 22½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [4], 485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 443, vii, [40] p.

Vol. 3, p. ix of appendix incorrectly numbered xi.

This quarto edition was the first edition published in London. For title, *see* no. 5.

The Carson Collection contains this quarto edition of the *Commentaries*, with a portrait of Blackstone engraved by J. Hall (1775) after Gainsborough (1774), printed on a quarto leaf. The same portrait, printed on an octavo leaf, is found in many copies of the octavo *seventh* edition. *See* no. 11.

Commentaries . . . 6th ed. Printed page for page with the last Oxford ed. . . . Dublin, Printed for John Colles, MDCC-LXXV. [10]

4 v. 2 folded tables. 17 x 10 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l., [v]-vi, [2], 485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 436, vii, [58] p., 1 l.

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, p. 254 numbered 154, p. 485 numbered 885, and in appendix, p. iii numbered i; vol. 3, p. 223 numbered 189.

Title pages read: Book the [first-] fourth. By Sir William Blackstone, one of His Majesty's justices of the honourable Court of Common Pleas. (In vol. 2-3, "honourable" is abbreviated to "Hon.")

This duodecimo pirated edition follows text of fourth Oxford edition, 1770. For authentic sixth edition, *see* no. 9.

This copy has appendix of vol. 2 incorrectly bound as follows: p. [i]-ii, 1 l. (containing dedication), p. v-vi, [iii]-iv, ix-x, vii-viii, xiii-xiv, xi-xii, xvii-xviii, xv-xvi, [1-2] (containing advertisement), xix.

Commentaries . . . 7th ed. Oxford, Clarendon press, printed for William Strahan, Thomas Cadell, and Daniel Prince, MDCCLXXV. [11]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 3 p. l., ii, [4], 485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 443, vii, [50] p., 1 l.

List of "Errata": Vol. 1, verso of title page has ten lines for vol. 1, one for vol. 2, six for vol. 3, and two for vol. 4.

For title, *see* no. 5. This octavo edition is the first edition in Yale Law Library which contains a Blackstone portrait known to have been printed for the edition in which it appears. Frontispiece of vol. 1 is a bust portrait of Blackstone, facing right, in an oval frame. It reads: "The Honourable Sir Wm. Blackstone knight one of the justices of the Court of Common Pleas. Painted by T. Gainsborough 1774. Engraved by J. Hall 1775. Publish'd . . . March 30th 1775." For editions prior to this, of which some copies contain portraits, *see* notes to no. 4, 8, and 9.

Commentaries . . . 8th ed. Oxford, Clarendon press, printed for William Strahan, Thomas Cadell, and Daniel Prince, MDCCLXXVIII. *L.C. 21-6855* [12]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 2 l. [4] p., 2 l. [3]-485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 236, 235*-236*, 237-443, vii, [50] p., 1 l.

List of "Corrigenda" in vol. 1: Leaf following table of contents has eight lines for vol. 1, nine lines for vol. 2, and eight lines for vol. 3; list of "Corrigenda" in vol. 4 has thirty lines printed on verso of last page of table of contents.

For title, *see* no. 5. This edition is the first to contain the undated "Post-script" on leaf following preface, vol. 1, wherein the author says: "No sooner

was the work completed, but many of its positions were vehemently attacked by zealots . . . They have occasioned him from time to time to revise his work . . . But, where he thought the objections ill founded, he hath left and shall leave the book to defend itself." It is the last edition revised entirely by the author. All variations between the text of this edition and the seven authentic editions preceding it, are noted in W. G. Hammond's edition of the *Commentaries*, published in San Francisco, 1890.

The frontispiece in vol. 1 is a different Hall print from that in seventh Oxford edition. (*See* no. 11.) Blackstone faces left, in a rectangular frame. Below portrait is printed: "Honorable Mr. Justice Blackstone. Painted by T. Gainsborough 1774. Engrav'd by Jn. Hall 1777. Publish'd . . . Jany 1, 1778." A manuscript note on portrait reads: "Recorder of Wallingford: portrait in Council chamber." This is the portrait most often used in later editions.

This copy has duplicate pages, 65-80, bound in vol. 2.

Commentaries . . . 6th ed. . . . London, Printed by His Majesty's law printers, and sold by G. Robinson, and Richardson and Urquhart, M.DCC.LXXX. [13]

4 v. 2 folded tables. 21½ x 14 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l., iv, [2] p., 2 l. [3]-485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p.

Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 436, vii, [46] p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 1, p. 432 numbered 431; vol. 2, p. 440 numbered 140; vol. 3, p. 375 numbered 37; vol. 4, p. 390 numbered 90.

Title pages read: Book the first [-fourth] . . . By Sir William Blackstone, one of His Majesty's justices of the honourable Court of Common Pleas.

Blackstone died February 14, 1780. This posthumous edition follows text of fourth Oxford edition, 1770. For authentic sixth edition, *see* no. 9.

Commentaries . . . 9th ed., with the last corrections of the author; and continued to the present time, by Ri. Burn, LL.D. London, Printed for W. Strahan, T. Cadell, and D. Prince, MDCCLXXXIII. [14]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 22½ x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 3 l. [4], 226, 225*-226*, 227-337, 336*-337*, 338-420, 419*-420*, 421-485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l.,

60, 59*-60*, 61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxvii p.

Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 160, 159*-160*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*,

375-443, vii, [50] p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, p. 173 numbered 133; vol. 4, p. 157 numbered 577.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by J. Hall, 1777.

Richard Burn's Advertisement in vol. 1, dated July 20, 1783, states: "The

alterations . . . since the publication of the last edition, were made by the author himself, as may appear from a corrected copy in his own handwriting . . . The editor . . . [has noted] alterations made by subsequent acts of Parliament." Concerning this edition, W. G. Hammond wrote in 1890, "Most of the current editions are printed from the ninth . . . published in 1783 . . . edited by Ric. Burn."

Title pages of this edition, like most of those published after Blackstone's death, designate the author "Sir William Blackstone, Knt. one of the justices of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas."

- ✓ Commentaries . . . 10th ed., with the last corrections of the author; additions by Richard Burn, LL.D. and continued to the present time, by John Williams, esq. London, Printed for J. Murray, J. Jarvis, & J. Fielding, M,DCC,-LXXXVI. [15]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 18 x 11 cm.

Yale Law Library lacks vol. 3.

Collation: Vol. 1. 3 p. l., [v]-vi p., 2 l. [3]-226, 225*-226*, 227-337, 336*-337*, 338-420, 419*-420*, 421-485, 8 p. Vol. 2. 2 p. l., 520, xix, 2 p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 160, 159*-160*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-443, vii, 8, [52] p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, p. 327 numbered 227; vol. 4, p. 315 numbered 215, and p. 342 numbered 242.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by J. Hall, 1777.

Yale Law Library has three different tenth editions. "In this edition, the additional notes, by John Williams, esq., are placed at the end of their respective volume." This note appears on verso of half-title of vol. 1. Although this edition is dated 1786, it probably was published in 1787 as it includes Williams' notes, which were printed as *footnotes* in the 1787 edition. (*See* no. 17.) For a 1786 edition *without* Williams' notes, *see* no. 16.

- X Commentaries . . . 10th ed. . . . London, Printed for J. Murray, J. Jarvis, & J. Fielding, M,DCC,LXXXVI. [16]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 18 x 11 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. vi p., 2 l. [3]-226, 225*-226*, 227-337, 336*-337*, 338-420, 419*-420*, 421-485 p. Vol. 2. 2 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 2 p. l., 60, 59*-60*, 61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 2 p. l., 160, 159*-160*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-443, vii, [52] p.

Errors in paging: vol. 2, p. 327 numbered 227; vol. 3, p. 418 numbered 318; vol. 4, p. 315 numbered 215.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by J. Hall, 1777.

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Although no editor's name appears on title pages, this edition contains the notes by Richard Burn. The text is printed from the same setting of type as no. 15, but Williams' notes at the end of each volume of that edition are omitted in this anonymous edition. *See also* no. 15 and 17.

Commentaries . . . 10th ed., with the last corrections of the author; additions by Richard Burn, LL.D., and continued to the present time, by John Williams, esq. London, Printed for A. Strahan, T. Cadell, and D. Prince, MDCC-LXXXVII. [17]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 21½ x 13½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [2] p., 1 l. [4], 226, 225*-226*, 227-337, 336*-337*, 338-420, 419*-420*, 421-485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 60, 59*-60*, 61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 160, 159*-162*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-443, vii, [50] p.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by J. Hall, 1777. (*Engraving missing in no. 1*)

This is the authentic tenth edition; Blackstone's copyright had been sold to Messrs. Strahan, Cadell, and Prince. The notes by Williams are printed as footnotes. These notes were evidently pirated by the publishers of the 1786 tenth edition (*see* no. 15) for vol. 1 of this 1787 tenth edition contains an "Advertisement concerning this tenth edition" dated Feb. 1, 1787.

Commentaries . . . 11th ed., with the last corrections of the author; additions by Richard Burn, LL.D., and continued to the present time, by John Williams, esq. Dublin, Printed for W. Gilbert, James Potts, and J. Jones, M,DCC,-LXXXVIII. [18]

4 v. 18 x 11 cm.

Booksellers' names vary in imprint of different volumes.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [4], 226, 225*-226*, 227-337, 336*-337*, 338-420, 419*-420*, 421-485 p. Vol. 2. vii, 520, xxii p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 60, 59*-60*, 61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 60, 60*, 61-65, 65*, 66-160, 159*-162*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-443, vii, [60] p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 3, p. 236 numbered 239, and p. 326 numbered 325; vol. 4, p. 220 numbered 210.

This pirated edition follows text and notes of tenth edition, London, 1787. It contains the 1783 "Advertisement concerning the ninth edition" and the 1787 "Advertisement concerning the tenth edition." The two tables, listed in index, are lacking.

This copy, containing manuscript notes, belonged to the Irish-born lawyer, William Paterson, who became governor of New Jersey and an associate justice of the United States Supreme Court.

For authentic eleventh edition, *see* no. 20.

Commentaries . . . 11th ed., with the last corrections of the author; additions by Richard Burn, LL.D., and continued to the present time, by John Williams, esq. Dublin, Printed for H. Chamberlaine, M.CCC.LXXXVIII [*i.e.* 1788] [19]
4 v. 18 x 11 cm.

This edition is "in four books." Yale Law Library has vol. 4 only, the title page of which has misprint in imprint date. Collation of vol. 4 is the same as in no. 18 above; p. 220 is incorrectly numbered 210, and p. 272 numbered 72. This is another pirated reprint, vol. 4 being printed from the same setting of type as no. 18, with a new title page.

* Commentaries . . . 11th ed., with the last corrections of the author; additions by Richard Burn, LL.D. and continued to the present time, by John Williams, esq. London, Printed by A. Strahan and W. Woodfall, for T. Cadell, 1791. [20]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 22½ x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [6] p., 2 l. [3]-226, 225*-226*, 227-337, 336*-337*, 338-420, 419*-420*, 421-485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 60, 59*-60*, 61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 160, 159*-162*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-443, vii, [50] p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, p. 14 numbered 4, and p. 460 numbered 406.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by J. Hall, 1777.

This is the authentic eleventh edition; it contains additional notes by Williams which are not found in the two pirated "eleventh" editions printed in Dublin, 1788. (*See* no. 18 and 19.) Following Postscript in vol. 1 are two unnumbered pages containing "Advertisement concerning the ninth edition" signed Ri. Burn. July 20, 1783, and "Advertisement concerning this eleventh edition" dated Jan. 12, 1791.

X Commentaries . . . 12th ed., with the last corrections of the author; and with notes and additions by Edward Christian . . . London, Printed by A. Strahan and W. Woodfall, for T. Cadell, 1793-1795. [21]

4 v. 13 portraits, 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14 cm.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1. 1793. Vol. 2-3. 1794. Vol. 4. 1795.

Collation: Vol. 1. x, [4] p., 1 l., 485 [*i.e.* 640] p., 1 l. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520 [*i.e.*

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626], xix, [1] p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455 [*i.e.* 500], xxxv, [1] p. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., 443 [*i.e.* 496], vii, [70] p., 1 l. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by J. Hall, 1777. Other engravings, published for this edition, are bound as follows: Vol. 1. John Lord Somers, facing p. 147, Sr. John Fortescu, facing p. 237; vol. 2. Sr. Thomas Littelton as frontispiece, Sr. Edward Coke, facing p. 140, Lord Chief Justice Holt, facing p. 384; vol. 3. William Earl of Mansfield as frontispiece, Lord Chief Baron Gilbert, facing p. 167, Sir John Comyns, facing p. 325, Philip Earl of Hardwicke, facing p. 426; vol. 4. Sr. Matthew Hale as frontispiece, Sir Michael Foster, facing p. 74, Lord Chief Justice Raymond, facing p. 301.

Lists of "Errata and addenda" printed at end of vol. 1-3 for their respective volumes; amended "Errata and addenda" for the four volumes, on two pages following "Index to the editor's notes in this edition" in vol. 4. "Directions for the binder" on one leaf at end of vol. 4.

This edition was originally published in numbers, each number containing the portrait of a judge. This was done by the proprietors and disclaimed by the editor in his "Advertisement to this edition" dated May 28, 1793, with a footnote which reads: "The proprietors had prepared the prints for this edition before their engagement with the editor, who reserved to himself no discretion with regard to the manner of publication. A publication in numbers is in general not thought creditable to an author who takes upon himself any degree of responsibility in a literary work; but the proprietors have found themselves upon this occasion under the necessity of adopting it." This is the first edition which contains Christian's notes.

The editor is designated on title pages of this edition as "Edward Christian, esq., barrister at law, and professor of the laws of England in the University of Cambridge." His notes are printed as footnotes, separated from those of Blackstone by a rule. A selection of Christian's notes is included in most American editions of the *Commentaries*.

* *Commentaries* . . . 12th ed., with the last corrections of the author; additions by Richard Burn, LL.D. and continued to the present time, by John Williams, esq. Dublin, Printed for L. White, William Jones, and John Rice, 1794. [22]

4 v. 18 x 12 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [4], 513 p. Vol. 2. vii, 524, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 60, 59*-60*, 61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 6 p. l., 60, 60*, 61-65, 65*, 66-160, 159*-162*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-443, viii, [82] p., 1 l.

The two tables, listed in index, are lacking.

This pirated edition follows text and notes of the authentic eleventh edition, London, 1791. For authentic twelfth edition, *see* no. 21.

Commentaries . . . 13th ed., with the last corrections of the author; additions by Richard Burn, LL.D. and John Williams, esq., and continued to the present time, by Edward Christian, esq. . . . Dublin, Printed by L. White, P. Byrne, and J. Rice, 1796. [23]

4 v. 18 x 11 cm.

Imprint of vol. 2-4: Printed by P. Byrne.

Collation: Vol. 1. 3 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [4], 652 p. Vol. 2. vii, 524, xix, [525]-616 p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 60, 59*-60*, 61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxvii, [457]-497 p. Vol. 4. 5 p. l., 60, 60*, 61-65, 65*, 66-160, 159*-162*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-443, viii, [82] p., 1 l. [445]-492 p.

The two tables, listed in index, are lacking.

In this pirated edition, the text, with notes of Burn and Williams, is printed from the same setting of type as the twelfth edition, Dublin, 1794, to which have been added at the end of each volume, Christian's notes taken from the twelfth edition, London, 1793-1795. In the printer's note, dated December 1796, on leaf following title page of vol. 1, he explains the superiority of this pocket edition over all previous editions, and says: "The printer of this work acquaints the student, that Mr. Christian's notes are added as an appendix at the end of each volume." For authentic thirteenth edition, *see* no. 25.

Soule's *Blackstone Bibliography* lists a 1797 pirated Dublin 12 mo. issue of Christian's notes on Blackstone "to form vol. 5 of any edition." This was probably a reprint as a separate volume of Christian's notes in this "thirteenth" edition of the *Commentaries*. The compiler of this *Catalogue* has not seen a copy of the 1797 *Notes*. *See also* no. 85.

Commentaries . . . A new ed., with notes, and tables of consanguinity, and descent. London, Millar and Law, MDCCXCVIII. [24]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l., iv, [2] p., 2 l. [3]-485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 436, vii, [46] p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, p. 440 numbered 140; vol. 3, p. 336 numbered 356, and p. 375 numbered 37.

This so-called "new edition" follows text of the fourth Oxford edition, 1770. The "notes" are by Blackstone. The two tables, which belong in vol. 2 are bound at end of vol. 1; appendix to vol. 3 is complete, but incorrectly bound.

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. . . London, Printed by A. Strahan, for T. Cadell jun. and
W. Davies, 1800. [25]

4 v. 13 portraits, 2 tables (1 folded) 21½ x 14 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xiv p., 2 l. [3]-485 [*i.e.* 638] p. Vol. 2. vii, 520 [*i.e.* 628],
xix p. Vol. 3. vii, 455 [*i.e.* 502], xxxiv p. Vol. 4. vii, 443 [*i.e.* 513], vii,
[68] p., 1 l. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Portraits are the same as in twelfth edition, London, 1793-1795. *See* no. 21.
"Directions for the binder," one leaf at end of vol. 4, follows "Index to the
editor's notes in this edition."

In this authentic thirteenth edition, the "Advertisement to this edition"
in vol. 1 is dated January 20, 1800. Christian's notes, printed as footnotes,
include some not found in the pirated "thirteenth" edition published in
Dublin, 1796, in which Christian's notes were printed at the end of each
volume.

Commentaries . . . 14th ed., with the last corrections of the
author; and with notes and additions by Edward Christian
. . . London, Printed by A. Strahan, for T. Cadell and W.
Davies, 1803. *Lc. 6-27020* [26]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l. [vii]-xvi, 485 [*i.e.* 664], [4] p. Vol. 2. vii, 520 [*i.e.*
652], xix p. Vol. 3. vii, 455 [*i.e.* 510], xxxiv p. Vol. 4. vii, 443 [*i.e.* 527],
vii, [68] p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left;
engraved by J. Hall, 1777.

"Addenda" and a list of "Errata": [4] p. at end of vol. 1.

Since the publication of the thirteenth edition, 1800, Christian had become
Chief Justice of the Isle of Ely, and the Downing professor of the laws of
England in the University of Cambridge. These titles appear on title pages of
this fourteenth edition, in which his notes are printed as footnotes. His
"Advertisement to this edition" in vol. 1 is dated May 1, 1803.

This copy belonged to John Hooker, who for thirty-six years was reporter
for the Connecticut Supreme Court of Errors.

Commentaries . . . 15th ed., with the last corrections of the
author; and with notes and additions by Edward Christian
. . . London, Printed by A. Strahan, for T. Cadell and W.
Davies, 1809. *Lc. 6-27025* [27]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l. [vii]-xvi, 485 [*i.e.* 676] p. Vol. 2. vii, 520 [*i.e.* 667],
xix p. Vol. 3. vii, 455 [*i.e.* 520], xxxiv p. Vol. 4. vii, 443 [*i.e.* 545], vii,
[70] p., 1 l. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by J. Hall, 1777.

This is the last edition which was revised by Christian; his notes are printed as footnotes. "Advertisement to this edition" in vol. 1 is dated March 1, 1809. In this copy, vol. 1 lacks half-title (signature A₁), and vol. 3 lacks p. xxvii-xxxiv of appendix. Yale University Library has a perfect copy.

Yale Law Library has another issue of vol. 3 (vii, 455 [*i.e.* 520], xxxiv p., 1 l.) in which title page reads the same as in the copies above, but which is a different printing. The last lines and catchwords on some pages do not correspond in these two printings. In this (second?) printing, p. 127 (signature L₂) last line of text reads: "rected to the sheriff, commanding him to inquire whether a" and the catchword is "prisoner." In the other printing, signature L₂ has for last line of text: "of suspicion, or merely propter odium et atiam, for hatred and" and the catchword is "ill-." The leaf at the end, which is not found in the other 1809 issue, is printed lengthwise on recto with brief titles of the four volumes, each in a separate column.

During the period when Christian was editing his four editions of the *Commentaries*, he was preparing a supplemental volume to Blackstone's *Commentaries*. In his "Advertisement" to the twelfth edition, he states: "He had formed the resolution to subjoin a variety of notes to the text, and a supplement to each chapter . . . and in this manner to extend the whole to five volumes." He abandoned this project, and "was induced to supply the present proprietors of the work, who were preparing a new edition, with the notes, and to reserve the consideration of such subjects as have not an immediate reference to any passage in the *Commentaries* for a separate supplemental volume."

In the thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth editions which Christian revised, he states in the "Advertisement": "The editor is . . . preparing to publish separately such additions as these deficiencies in the *Commentaries* seem to require." That projected "supplemental volume" has never been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*; it probably was never published. It is not to be confused with the separate volume of Christian's *Notes to Blackstone's Commentaries* issued in Dublin, 1797, and Boston, 1801. See notes to no. 23; see also no. 85-86.

✓ *Commentaries* . . . A new ed., with the last corrections of the author; also containing analyses and epitome of the whole work, with notes, by John Frederick Archbold, esq. London, Printed by M. and S. Brooke, for William Reed, 1811. [28]

4 v. 28 tables (27 folded) 24 x 16 cm. L C. 27-15785

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., [vii]-xxii p., 1 l. [2] p., 1 l. [4], 485 [*i.e.* 516], xi p. Vol. 2. 1 p. l., [4] p., 1 l., 520 [*i.e.* 578], xviii, xv p. Vol. 3. 1 p. l., [4] p., 1 l., 455 [*i.e.* 496], xxvi, xiv p. Vol. 4. 1 p. l., [4] p., 1 l., 443 [*i.e.* 476], vii, xii, xlvi p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Tables as follows: Archbold's twenty-six folded Analyses, I-VI in vol. 1,

[29] 51 on deck

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VII–XII in vol. 2, XIII–XXI in vol. 3, XXII–XXVI in vol. 4; Blackstone's two tables in vol. 2.

This edition contains only the notes of Archbold. Some bibliographers, Marvin, Hoffman, and others, state that it contains also Christian's notes, but this is incorrect. Probably they had seen only the Philadelphia, 1825 edition, which contains notes of both Christian and Archbold. *See* no. 92.

The editor's dedication to Charles Butler in vol. 1 is dated 1st November, 1811; his preface is dated November, 1811. Vol. 1 also includes a life of the author and a list of his writings. The editor's "epitome" of the text appears in each volume.

This edition is called the "sixteenth" by W. G. Hammond. The numbering of English editions after the fifteenth edition, 1809, is irregular, some editors numbering their editions from Archbold's 1811 edition as the sixteenth, and others numbering from the "sixteenth" edition, edited by Coleridge, which was published by T. Cadell in 1825.

W Commentaries . . . with the last corrections of the author. A new ed.; with notes, additions, and a copious index, digested upon an entirely new plan . . . London, Printed at the revived Apollo press, by John Bell, 1813. [29]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 17 x 10½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l. [iii]–iv, [5]–484 p. Vol. 2. iv, 497, xxv p. Vol. 3. iv, 417, xxxvii p. Vol. 4. iv, 403, ix, [54] p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 1, p. 109 numbered 106; vol. 4, p. 127 numbered 172.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing right; engraved by James Godby, and "Printed for J. Bell's edition of Blackstone, 1813." This is a bust portrait in an oval frame, engraved after the J. Hall print of 1775. *See* no. 11.

This edition contains notes by an anonymous editor. Soule calls this "Bell's legal classics" edition. No indication of series appears on this copy. "The life of Sir William Blackstone" in vol. 1 is signed James Clitherow and dated Feb. 20, 1781; this is an extract from Clitherow's preface to Blackstone's *Reports of Cases*, 1781.

The two tables are lacking in Yale Law Library copy. Yale University Library has a perfect copy, with the two tables bound at the end of vol. 2.

In the Yale University Library copy, a publisher's advertisement of four pages, bound in each volume, has a title page which reads: "Bell's edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*. A new edition. To be completed in twenty-eight weekly numbers. Price eighteen pence each number. London, Printed by John Bell." As described on p. 4, "This work will be published in weekly numbers, of . . . pocket size . . . Each number will contain . . . sixty-four pages . . . The first number contains a fine portrait of Blackstone, and the Life of the author . . . This work commenced publishing . . . the 29th of May, 1813, and a number will be published every succeeding Saturday till the

whole is completed." The compiler of this *Catalogue* has never seen the issue "in weekly numbers."

The publisher, John Bell, whose pocket editions of the classics were so successful, is known among printers as the first to discard long f (s) from his font of type.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 29*] London, Printed at the revived Apollo press, by John Bell, 1813 [*i.e.* 1814] [30]
 4 v. in 8 pt. portrait, 2 folded tables. 17 x 10½ cm.
Collation: Vol. 1, pt. 1. 2 p. l. [iii]–iv p., 1 l. [5]–236 p. Vol. 1, pt. 2. 1 p. l., 237–484 p. Vol. 2, pt. 1. iv, 252 p. Vol. 2, pt. 2. 1 p. l., 253–497, xxv p. Vol. 3, pt. 1. iv, 216 p. Vol. 3, pt. 2. iv, 217–417, xxxvii p. Vol. 4, pt. 1. iv, 236 p. Vol. 4, pt. 2. 1 p. l., 237–403, ix, [54] p.
Errors in paging: Vol. 1, pt. 1, p. 109 numbered 106; vol. 4, pt. 1, p. 127 numbered 172; vol. 4, pt. 2, p. 294 numbered 194.
Frontispiece in vol. 1, pt. 1: Another impression of the Godby engraving (*see no. 29*) which has at the bottom a misprint "Blackstones" (not found in the 1813 edition) as follows: "Printed for J. Bell's edition of Blackstones 1813."

This is an 1814 reprint from the same setting of type as no. 29. In eight parts: The original 1813 title page of the respective volumes has been used as title page in part 1 of corresponding volume, bound as vol. 1, 3, 5, and 7, so no "part" number appears on title pages of these volumes. New title pages printed for part 2 of the respective volumes, designated as "Vol. I.–Part II." etc., and bound in vol. 2, 4, 6 and 8, also bear imprint date 1813, although the reprint was apparently completed in 1814, as indicated by date on binder's labels, and date on Bell's special dedication of this edition which is found in perfect copies.

This special dedication leaf, which appears in vol. 1 *in addition to* the Blackstone dedication, reads: "To Her Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte of Wales, this pure and classical edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, containing the entire and genuine text of the author's last edition; with notes, and an abstract of the subsequent statutes to the fifty-fourth year of His present Majesty, George III. is . . . dedicated . . . by . . . John Bell. January 1, 1814."

The order of preliminary matter in vol. 1 is: Title page, Bell's 1814 dedication (unsigned), "Contents of volume the first" (signature *A₂), Blackstone's dedication (signature A₂), "Preface to the *Commentaries*" (signature A₃), "The life of Sir William Blackstone" (signatures A₄₋₈, B₁₋₅).

This copy has four binder's labels on each volume; the first reads "Constitution classics," the second "Blackstone. Vol. 1 [-8]," the third lists the respective titles of Blackstone's four books, the fourth reads "Bell's edition 1814."

Each volume contains the bookplate of Thomas Wilde, who distinguished himself in the defense of Queen Caroline at her trial in 1820. He later became Lord Chancellor and was at that time created Baron Truro.

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- Commentaries . . . 18th ed., with the last corrections of the author, and annotations and comments, as also corrections of the errors & mistatements of the learned judge, respecting constitutional law and legal antiquities. By John Williams . . . London, S. Sweet; Dublin, R. Milliken, 1821-1822. [31]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23 x 14½ cm.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1-2. 1821. Vol. 3-4. 1822.

Collation: Vol. 1. x, [3]-549 p. Vol. 2. iv, 571, [1], xvi p. Vol. 3. iv, 500, xxii p. Vol. 4. iv, [2], 519, vi, [41] p., 1 l.

Errors in paging: Vol. 1, p. 342 numbered 242; vol. 2, p. 240 numbered 340; vol. 3, p. 378 numbered 278.

This edition is the first of several which are designated "eighteenth" on title pages. For explanation of the irregular numbering of English editions after 1809, *see* notes to no. 28. The editor "John Williams, esq. of the Inner Temple" is not the John Williams who edited the tenth and eleventh London editions. His "Advertisement" in vol. 1 is dated August 10th, 1821; that in vol. 4 is dated March 20th, 1822.

With vol. 4 is bound an extract from Blackstone's *An Analysis of the Laws of England*. (4 p. l., 47 p. 23 x 14½ cm.) This was printed in London, by W. Pople, printer of the *Commentaries* in which it is bound.

- Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 31*] London, S. Sweet; Dublin, R. Milliken, 1822. [32]

4 v. in 2. 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. x, [3]-549 p. Vol. 2. [iii]-iv, 571, [1], xvi p. Vol. 3. iv, 500, xxii p. Vol. 4. iv, 519, vi, [41] p., 1 l.

Errors in paging are the same as in no. 31.

This reprint from the same plates as no. 31, is bound in two volumes. Title page of vol. 4 is incorrectly bound in as title page of vol. 1; vol. 2 and 4 are without title pages. Bound in at end of vol. 4 is the same *Analysis* which is bound in no. 31.

- Commentaries . . . 18th ed. To which is prefixed, the author's own analysis of the work, omitted in preceding editions; with the last corrections of the author, and annotations and comments; as also corrections of the errors and mistatements of the learned judge, respecting constitutional law and legal antiquities. By John Williams . . . London, Sherwood, Jones, & co.; Dublin, R. Milliken, 1823. [33]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l. [ix]-x, [8], [3]-549 p. Vol. 2. iv, xvi, 571, [1] p.
Vol. 3. iv, 500, xxii p. Vol. 4. 1 p. l., 47, 519, vi, [41] p., 1 l.

Errors in paging are the same as in no. 31.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing right; engraved by Godby, and "Printed for J. Bell's edition of Blackstone, 1813."

A reprint from the same plates, of the text of no. 31 and 32, with a rearrangement and omission of some editorial features of those editions. The *Analysis* previously published separately and bound with vol. 4 of those editions, is incorporated in this edition following title page of vol. 4. This is the "author's own analysis" mentioned on the title pages.

Title page of vol. 2 is incorrectly bound in as title page of vol. 1; vol. 2 has its own title page, but has appendix incorrectly bound in following table of contents; the two tables, listed in index as being in vol. 2, are bound in vol. 1. Vol. 3 has complete appendix at end of volume, and duplicate p. [1]-xvi of appendix bound in after table of contents. Table of contents is omitted in vol. 4.

✓ Commentaries . . . 16th ed., with the last corrections of the author; and with notes by John Taylor Coleridge . . . London, Printed by A. Strahan, for T. Cadell, and J. Butterworth and son, 1825. [34]

4 v. portrait, 2 folded tables. 22 x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxiv, 485 [*i.e.* 529], [1] p. Vol. 2. vii, 519 [*i.e.* 582], xix, [1] p. Vol. 3. vii, 455 [*i.e.* 511], xxxi p. Vol. 4. vii, 443 [*i.e.* 504], viii, [42] p., 1 l. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; "Engraved on steel by E. Finden . . . Published March 25, 1825."

This edition "by John Taylor Coleridge, esq. of the Middle Temple, barrister at law" is the first edition printed for T. Cadell after Cadell's publication of the fifteenth London edition, 1809. The numbering of English editions after that 1809 edition is irregular, some editors numbering from Archbold's 1811 edition as the sixteenth, and others numbering from this Coleridge "sixteenth" edition.

The editor's dedication to Robert, Lord Gifford, "Preface to this edition" and "Addenda" in vol. 1 are each dated June 20, 1825.

This copy has p. xv-xviii of appendix of vol. 2 incorrectly bound at end of vol. 1.

Commentaries . . . A new ed., with practical notes, by Joseph Chitty . . . London, Printed for William Walker [etc.]
MDCCLXXXVI. *L. B. 2. 4. 2. 1. 1. 1.* [35]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 24½ x 15½ cm.

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Collation: Vol. 1. xxv p., 1 l., 485 [*i.e.* 572] p. Vol. 2. xxiv, 536 [*i.e.* 604] p. Vol. 3. xxiv, 478 [*i.e.* 528] p. Vol. 4. xix, 519 [*i.e.* 571] p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)
Frontispiece in vol. 1: Sir Joshua Reynolds' portrait of Blackstone, full face; engraved by Edward Scriven.

This is the only edition which contains the Reynolds' portrait of Blackstone; portraits in other editions are after Gainsborough.

The notes are by "Joseph Chitty, esq. barrister at law" with the exception of "notes upon the law of descents [which] were furnished by his son Mr. Henry Chitty." The editor's preface in vol. 1 is dated 23 January, 1826. This is the only edition which Chitty edited. A selection of his notes is included in most American editions of the *Commentaries*.

Commentaries . . . with an analysis of the work . . . 18th ed., with the last corrections of the author, and copious notes . . . London, S. Sweet [etc.] 1829. [36]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l. [v]-vi, vii*-viii*, [vii]-xlii, 485 [*i.e.* 772] p. Vol. 2. xxiv, 520 [*i.e.* 876], xvi p. Vol. 3. xx, 455 [*i.e.* 762], xxvii [*i.e.* xxii] p. Vol. 4. xxxiv, 443 [*i.e.* 703], vi, [48] p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing right; engraved by C. Phillips.

This is the fourth of the London editions which are called "eighteenth" on title pages. (*See* no. 31-33.) For irregular numbering of English editions after 1809, *see* no. 34.

Vol. 1 and 3, edited by Thomas Lee, have "Preface to the first and third volumes" in vol. 1, dated Sept. 4, 1829. Vol. 2 was edited by John Eykyn Hovenden, and vol. 4 by Archer Ryland. Each editor is designated on the respective title pages as "Esq., of Gray's Inn, barrister at law."

The "Life of the author" in vol. 1 is taken almost verbatim from Clitherow's preface to Blackstone's *Reports of Cases*, London, 1781. The "Analysis" mentioned on title pages is an extract from Blackstone's *Analysis of the Laws of England*, divided into four books and printed in the corresponding volumes of the *Commentaries*.

Commentaries . . . 17th ed., with the last corrections of the author: with notes and additions by Edward Christian . . . enlarged and continued by the editor of Warton's History of English poetry . . . London, Printed by Richard Taylor, for Thomas Tegg [etc.] 1830. [37]

4 v. 24 x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xvi, 485 [*i.e.* 679] p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520 [*i.e.* 673], xix p.

Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455 [*i.e.* 534], xxix p. Vol. 4. 2 p. l., 443 [*i.e.* 557], vii, [68] p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

This edition was apparently numbered from the Coleridge sixteenth edition published 1825, although two London editions had been published in the interim. (*See* no. 34-36.) Christian's notes are from the fifteenth edition. (*See* no. 27.) The additional notes are by Richard Price, whose name does not appear on title pages or in text. His "Advertisement to this edition" in vol. 1 is dated "Middle Temple, May 1, 1829." The two tables, listed in index, are omitted.

✧ Commentaries . . . with an analysis of the work . . . 19th ed. With the last corrections of the author, and copious notes . . . London, S. Sweet, A. Maxwell, Stevens & sons; Dublin, Milliken & son, 1836. *L.S. 32-12559* [38]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. li, [3]-485 [*i.e.* 623] p. Vol. 2. xxiv, 520 [*i.e.* 792], xvi p. Vol. 3. xx, 455 [*i.e.* 526], xxvi p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., [v]-xx, 443 [*i.e.* 626], vi, [42] p., 1 l. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing right; engraved by C. Phillips.

Two of the three editors of the eighteenth London edition, 1829, were retained for this edition. Vol. 1-3 edited by John Eykyn Hovenden; his preface in vol. 1 is dated 15th March, 1836, with a postscript dated June, 1836. Vol. 4, edited by Archer Ryland, contains his "Advertisement" dated Trinity vacation, 1836. Notes by Christian which are included are marked "Ch."

For information concerning the "Life of the author" in vol. 1, and the "Analysis" mentioned on title pages, *see* no. 36.

✧ Commentaries . . . 20th ed., incorporating the alterations down to the present time. By James Stewart . . . London, Edmund Spettigue, 1841. [39]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 5 p. l. [iii]-xii, 532 p. Vol. 2. xxii, 559, xxxiii, [1] p. Vol. 3. xviii, 499, lii p. Vol. 4. xxii p., 1 l., 511, [517]-544 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

Irregular paging in vol. 4: 512-516 omitted in numbering, but signatures are complete.

This edition by "James Stewart, of Lincoln's Inn, esq., barrister at law, M.P." contains the whole text of Blackstone, with the editor's alterations and additions incorporated in the body of the text; those portions of Blackstone which are altered have been put in the past tense. The text, with its illustrations and authorities, where no alteration has occurred, remains in its

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original state. The appendixes of vol. 2-3 have been altered, being replaced by forms in contemporary use.

This is the first Stewart edition "in four books" with the *Commentaries* title. Originally published in separate volumes entitled: *The Rights of Persons*, London, 1839; *The Principles of the Law of Real Property*, London, 1837 (of which a second edition with title *The Principles of the Law of Real and Personal Property* was published in London, 1840); *Private Wrongs*, London, 1840; and *Public Wrongs*, London, 1841. See no. 72-75.

The first edition of vol. 2, published separately in 1837, contained only that portion of vol. 2 of Blackstone's *Commentaries* which relates to real property; the second edition, 1840, and vol. 2 of this 1841 edition contain the whole of Blackstone's second volume.

The editor's dedication to Baron Cottenham appears in vol. 1, to Sir John Campbell in vol. 2, and to Andrew Henry Lynch in vol. 3. Vol. 4 is without a dedication. The editor's preface in vol. 1 is dated March 1, 1839, "Advertisement to the second edition" in vol. 2 dated April 6, 1840, preface in vol. 3 dated Aug. 29th, 1840, and introduction in vol. 4 dated January 2, 1841. Each volume contains its own index.

Commentaries . . . with an analysis of the work . . . 21st ed., with the last corrections of the author, and notes . . . London, S. Sweet, A. Maxwell & son, V. & R. Stevens & G. S. Norton; Dublin, Hodges and Smith, 1844. [40]

4 v. portrait, 3 tables (2 folded) 23 x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., liv, 499 [*i.e.* 587] p. Vol. 2. xxvii, [1], 558 [*i.e.* 808] p.

Vol. 3. xxvi, 455 [*i.e.* 516], lii, [1] p. Vol. 4. xxxviii, 443 [*i.e.* 596], lxxxii p.

(Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Vol. 1, p. 497 incorrectly numbered 479.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing right; engraved by C. Phillips.

Each book was prepared by a different editor: Vol. 1, by "John F. Hargrave, esq., M.A., of Lincoln's Inn, barrister at law" has preface dated April, 1844; vol. 2, by "George Sweet, esq., of the Inner Temple, barrister at law" is without a preface; vol. 3, by "Richard Couch, esq., of the Middle Temple, barrister at law" has preface dated April, 1844; vol. 4, by "William N[ewland] Welsby, esq., of the Middle Temple, barrister at law, recorder of Chester" has preface dated March, 1844.

According to the publisher's advertisement inserted in vol. 1: "The copyright of the last edition of any value (that of the late Joseph Chitty, esq.) has . . . been purchased, and placed at the editor's disposal: and free use has been made of the excellent notes of . . . Christian." The notes by Chitty and Christian are indicated by their surnames. This edition is based on the London 1783 edition by Richard Burn, but Burn's notes are not retained. The appendixes of vol. 2-3 have been altered by the addition of contemporary forms, and the appendix of vol. 4 by the addition of notes. W. G. Hammond

says that the text of this 1844 edition is more correct than later editions generally.

The "Life of the author" in vol. 1 was extracted from Clitherow's preface to Blackstone's *Reports*, 1781, with corrections and additions to the memoir by George Sweet. The "Analysis" at the beginning of each volume is taken from the author's *Tracts*, third edition, 1771. In this copy, the "Table of consanguinity" and "Table of descents [subsequent to 1833]" are incorrectly bound in vol. 1 instead of vol. 2; vol. 2 contains Blackstone's "Table of descents."

Commentaries . . . incorporating the alterations down to the present time; by James Stewart . . . 2d ed. London, Edmund Spettigue, 1844. [41]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xvii, v-xii, 532, iv p. Vol. 2. xxiv, 587, xxxiii p. Vol. 3. 2 p. 1., iii, [ix]-xxi, [1], 536, liii, [1] p. Vol. 4. 1 p. 1. [xi]-xxiv p., 1 l., 548 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

This is the second Stewart edition to be published "in four books" with the *Commentaries* title. (See no. 39.) Following numbering of his 1841 edition, it is the twenty-first edition, but apparently it was designated as Stewart's "second edition" to distinguish it from the London "twenty-first edition" by Hargrave and others, which was published prior to Stewart's in the same year. (See no. 40.)

The editor's introduction in vol. 1 is dated May 1st, 1844, his advertisement in vol. 2, April 15th, 1844, and preface in vol. 3, 15th January, 1844. The text of vol. 1 is reprinted from the same plates as no. 39, with alterations since the 1841 edition indicated in "Addenda to vol. 1," iv p. at end of vol. 1. Vol. 2-4 were revised for this "second edition."

With vol. 2 is bound *An Act to Simplify the Transfer of Property, 7 & 8 Vict., C. 76. With Notes Explaining the Alterations in the Law. By James Stewart.* London, E. Spettigue, 1844. (16 p. 23½ x 15 cm.) According to Stewart's advertisement dated August 10, 1844, this act altered the law in some portions of the volume of Blackstone's *Commentaries* in which it is bound. Stewart's notes refer to that volume.

[Commentaries . . . by James Stewart. 22d ed. Book the first. Rights of persons. London, 1849.]

This volume, which is not in the Yale Law Library, has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. It is the only volume which the bibliographer C. C. Soule lists of this edition. Apparently the reason for publishing only this volume is, that when Stewart issued his "second edition" in 1844, he did not revise vol. 1, but revised vol. 2-4. (See no. 41.) Later seeing the need for a revision of vol. 1, he revised and published that volume as a "twenty-

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London, Edward Spittage,
1844.

Call 1 p. 1, iv, EXL - 211, 16, 542 p.

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second edition." Stewart's book I of Blackstone had therefore been issued three times before it was revised: first, with title *The Rights of Persons*, 1839; second, as vol. 1 of Stewart's edition of the *Commentaries*, 1841; and third, as vol. 1 of Stewart's edition of the *Commentaries*, 1844. See no. 75, 39, and 41.

Commentaries . . . 23d ed., incorporating the alterations down to the present time. By James Stewart . . . London, V. & R. Stevens and G. S. Norton (successors to the late J. & W. T. Clarke) 1854. [42]

4 v. 23 x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xvi, 608, xi, [1] p. Vol. 2. 3 p. l. [v]–xxiv, 678, xxxiv p. Vol. 3. xv, [1], 604, lvi p. Vol. 4. 1 p. l. [v]–xx, 606 p., 1 l. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

Lists of "Errata et addenda" not included in paging, one leaf inserted after title page in vol. 2, and at end of vol. 4. The list in vol. 1 is on verso of p. xi at end.

This is the third Stewart edition to be published "in four books" with the *Commentaries* title. (See no. 39 and 41.) It has been revised throughout. In the editor's advertisement in vol. 1, dated Michaelmas term, 1853, he states that in this edition he has "for the first time, endeavoured to make the statement of the whole body of law contained in the *Commentaries* uniform and simultaneous" and has appended questions to each chapter. The advertisement in vol. 2 is dated May 30, 1853. Vol. 1 is dedicated to Sir Richard Bethell, vol. 2, to Lord Campbell, vol. 3–4 without dedication. The two tables, found in previous Stewart editions, are omitted.

On p. vi of vol. 1, Stewart states: "As the second volume [*i.e.* of his edition of the *Commentaries*] has been much used as a student's book . . . I have thought that it might be convenient to continue its separate publication." See notes to no. 72a.

* Commentaries . . . A new ed., adapted to the present state of the law, by Robert Malcolm Kerr . . . London, John Murray, 1857. [43]

4 v. 3 folded tables. 23½ x 15½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxvi, 547, [1] p. Vol. 2. xviii, 603, [1] p. Vol. 3. xiii, 576 p. Vol. 4. xix, 561, [1] p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

This edition by "Robert Malcolm Kerr, LL.D., barrister-at-law" is his first edition of the *Commentaries*. According to his preface in vol. 1 dated March 1857, Kerr's alterations and additions to Blackstone's text are indicated by inverted commas, the only exceptions being changes in the original text from the present to the past tense. Portions of Blackstone's text which are entirely obsolete are converted into notes, and marked with inverted commas. The notes of Blackstone are distinguished from those of the editor

by the latter's use of the modern method of quotation. Appendixes in vol. 2-4 have been altered and forms in contemporary use included. Vol. 1-3 contain indexes to individual volumes, vol. 4 a general index. A "Table of consanguinity" and two different "Table[s] of descents" are in vol. 2.

Commentaries . . . adapted to the present state of the law, by
Robert Malcolm Kerr . . . 3d ed. London, John Murray,
1862. [44]

4 v. 3 folded tables. 22½ x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxvi, 537, [1] p. Vol. 2. 1 p. l. [v]-xviii, 595, [1] p. Vol. 3.
1 p. l. [v]-xiii, 558 p. Vol. 4. 1 p. l. [v]-xviii, 553, [1] p. (Blackstone's
paging retained in margin.)

Vol. 1, p. 480 incorrectly numbered 478.

In 1861 Kerr's second edition was published in four volumes in London. That edition has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*.

Although the editor's preface in this third edition is reprinted from his first edition and dated March 1857, the text of this 1862 edition is revised. This edition is dedicated to Richard, Baron Westbury. Kerr is designated on title pages as "barrister-at-law, judge of the Sheriffs' Courts of the city of London, and one of the commissioners of the Central Criminal Court."

Commentaries . . . adapted to the present state of the law, by
Robert Malcolm Kerr . . . 4th ed. London, John Murray,
1876. [45]

4 v. 2 folded tables. 23 x 15½ cm. L. C. 12-108614

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxii, 496 p. Vol. 2. xvii, 483, [1] p. Vol. 3. xiii, 455, [1] p.
Vol. 4. xvi, 485, [1] p.

The text is revised in accordance with the plan adopted in Kerr's first edition. (*See* no. 43.) His "Preface to the fourth edition" is dated January 1876. Blackstone's paging has not been retained in this edition. The appendixes which appeared in vol. 2-4 of previous Kerr editions are omitted. Vol. 2 contains the two "Table[s] of descents," but lacks the "Table of consanguinity."

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1842. 15. Commentaries on the Holy Scriptures by Herbert Brown, in which
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Aird. Bleekton economized [title as in 46]
2d ed. London, Longmans, Green, and Co.
1873.

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ENGLISH ABRIDGMENTS AND EXTRACTS

✓ AIRD. Blackstone economized: being a compendium of the laws of England to the present time. In four books, each book embracing the legal principles and practical information contained in the respective volumes of Blackstone, supplemented by subsequent statutory enactments, important legal decisions, etc. By David Mitchell Aird . . . London, Longmans, Green, and co., 1873. [46]
xxiv p., 1 l. [29]-352 p. folded table. 20½ x 15½ cm.
Page 253 incorrectly numbered 353.

First edition. Compiled from the *Commentaries* by "David Mitchell Aird, esq., of the Middle Temple, barrister-at-law" in the form of questions followed by answers based on Blackstone's text. The preface is dated January 1, 1873.

C. C. Soule lists first and second editions, both published in London, 1873.

5 BAYLY. Commentaries on the laws of England, in the order, and compiled from the text of Blackstone, and embracing the new statutes and alterations to the present time. By John Bethune Bayly . . . London, Saunders and Benning (successors to J. Butterworth and son) 1840. [47]
li, [1], 700 p. 25 x 16½ cm.

Compiled with copious notes by "John Bethune Bayly, of the Middle Temple, esq." The preface is dated July, 1840.

W BONE. A complete law library: reprinted, compiled and arranged for general use, from Blackstone's Commentaries, altered and corrected to the present time, by the latest authorities, and forming a compendious, yet comprehensive introduction to the laws of the country. Edited by S. Vallis Bone . . . London, Published for the proprietors, by J. Litton [etc., 1833?] [48]

2 p. l., iii, [1], 398 p., 1 l., viii p. 26 x 16 cm.

At foot of title page: "Stereotype edition.—National library press . . . J. Pickburn, printer."

A compilation without notes, arranged for general reading by Samuel Vallis Bone "of Lincoln's Inn, esq., barrister at law." The preface is dated August, 1833.

CURRY. The Commentaries of Sir William Blackstone, Knt., on the laws and constitution of England; carefully abridged, in a new manner, and continued down to the present time: with notes, corrective and explanatory. By William Curry . . . London, Printed for W. Clarke and son, 1796. [49]
viii, [8], 566 p. 21½ x 13½ cm.
Page 365 incorrectly numbered 363.

First edition. This compilation by "William Curry, of the Inner Temple" consists of extracts from Blackstone "in the very words of the author," together with notes by the compiler. Page citations to the original work are not included.

In his preface dated "Gosport, 6th Nov. 1796" he apologizes for the numerous "Errata, which the reader will perceive at the end of the volume." The list of "Errata" is, however, printed on verso of p. [7] of table of contents.

CURRY. The Commentaries . . . 2d ed., corrected and enlarged. By William Curry . . . London, Printed for W. Clarke and sons, 1809. [50]
xv, [1], 703 p. 21½ x 14 cm.

For title, *see* no. 49. In this second edition, with preface dated Michaelmas term, 1808, the compiler has given citations to volume and page of the original work. Publisher's advertisements printed on verso of p. xv and p. 703.

DICKSON. An analysis of Blackstone's Commentaries. By Frederick S. Dickson. London, Stevens and sons [1880?] [51]
1 p. l., 5-98 p. 32 x 24 cm.

This analysis in the form of charts was first published in Philadelphia, 1872. The compiler, Frederick Stoever Dickson (Yale, Ph.B. 1871) was a member of the Pennsylvania bar. Publication date of this London reprint is from the *English Catalogue of Books*.

Pages 5-93 (charts) are printed on recto only; p. 19 is folded. Book and chapter citations to Blackstone's *Commentaries* appear at head of each printed leaf. Pages 95-98 contain Index to subjects. In this English edition, p. [3]-4 are lacking or omitted; in the Philadelphia edition these pages contain preface dated Jan., 1872, and Index to chapters. *See* no. 160.

X
[50, 13] *Barrister at law. An abridgement of Blackstone's
commentaries on the laws of England, in a series
of letters from a father to his daughter...*
London, Printed for J. Hatchard and sons, 1822
304 p. 17 cm.

EARDLEY-WILMOT. An abridgment of Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, in a series of letters from a father to his daughter, chiefly intended for the use and advancement of female education . . . By a barrister at law, F.R., F.A. and F.L.S. London, Printed for John Hatchard and son, 1822. [52]

viii, 304 p. 19 x 11½ cm.

This anonymous first edition, compiled by Sir John Eardley Eardley-Wilmot, first baronet, contains thirty letters addressed to "My dear E—." On p. 3 he states: "I intend to send you, in a series of letters, so much of the *Commentaries* . . . as I think are adapted to your understanding, as well as necessary to be known by every gentlewoman."

✓ EARDLEY-WILMOT. An abridgment of Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, intended for the use of young persons, and comprised in a series of letters from a father to his daughter. By Sir J. E. Eardley-Wilmot, Bart. . . . A new ed., corrected and brought down to the present day, by his son, Sir John E. Eardley-Wilmot, Bart. . . . London, Longman, Brown, Green and Longmans, 1853.

3 p. l. [v]-xi, 338 p. 20 x 12 cm.

Page 225 incorrectly numbered 122. [53]

This is the second edition; a third edition was published in 1855. This second edition, partly rewritten by the editor, contains thirty-two letters addressed to "My dear E—," to which has been added an "Index and analysis of contents."

✓ A FIELD. An analysis of Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, in a series of questions, to which the student is to frame his own answers, by reading that work. By Barron Field . . . 2d ed. London, Printed for T. Cadell and W. Davies, 1817. L. C. 31-27 [54]

viii, 286 p. 22 x 14½ cm.

The first edition, published in London, 1811, has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*.

This second edition by "Barron Field, esq. of the Inner Temple, barrister at law" has preface dated 20th September, 1810, and dedication to Lord Ellenborough dated 14th Jan. 1811. Figures at the end of each question refer to the pages of Blackstone where the answer may be found. This copy is interleaved.

Apparently this *Analysis* was never revised, although three editions were published in London. (See no. 55.) For an American reprint, see no. 168. Field's *Analysis* is also included in the American editions of the *Commentaries* which were edited by "A gentleman of the New-York bar," George Sharswood, W. D. Lewis, and in T. M. Cooley's fourth edition, 1899. See these editions in the list of American editions of the *Commentaries* below.

FIELD. An analysis of Blackstone's Commentaries . . . 3d ed.
London, Printed for T. Cadell and W. Davies, 1821. [55]
viii, 286 p. 22 x 14 cm.

A reprint of the second edition, but not from the same plates. For title, see no. 54. The preface and dedication are dated as in the second edition. This copy is interleaved.

GIFFORD. Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws and constitution of England: abridged for the use of students, and adapted to modern statutes and decisions. By John Gifford . . . London, Printed for Sir Richard Phillips and co. [G. Sidney, printer] 1820. [56]
iv, 560 p. 22 x 14 cm.

Title page reads: By John Gifford, esq. late one of His Majesty's justices of the peace for the counties of Surrey and Middlesex, author of the Life of Pitt, &c. &c.

First edition. John Gifford's real name was John Richards Green. After his death in 1818, the abridgment was completed by Edward Foss, whose name does not appear in the book. The unsigned "Preface of the editor" (Edward Foss) is dated January, 1820. Blackstone's notes are omitted; a few footnotes by the compiler indicate alterations in the law.

"Appendix by the editor," p. [526]-544, includes English law maxims; Law-Latin maxims and terms with translations; Chronological table of events relative to the laws and government of England; Magna charta; Declaration of rights; Golden rules for English magistrates, The duties of sheriffs, and Golden rules for jurymen, by Sir Richard Phillips; Glossary of law terms.

This edition includes "Five hundred questions on this abridgment of Blackstone's *Commentaries*," p. [545]-560, which are noted in preface, p. iv, as follows: "A series of questions have been annexed . . . and for . . . convenience, references for the answers have been printed in the useful volume . . . called *The Tutor's Key*." These questions were omitted from the London 1823 reprint, other material being substituted. See no. 57.

The London 1820 edition listed in *Harvard Catalogue* as having iv, 604 p. (like the London 1823 edition) is either a second issue, or the date 1820 is an error for 1823.

For German translation of Gifford's abridgment, see no. 183.

GIFFORD. Blackstone's Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 56*]

London, Printed for G. and W. B. Whittaker, 1823. [57]

iv, 604 p. 22½ x 14½ cm.

Text of p. 434 printed on verso of p. 441, and p. 442 on verso of p. 433; p. 520 incorrectly numbered 420. These errors are not in the first edition.

The plates for the London 1820 edition, through p. 544, were used for this reprint. On p. [545]-604, the material substituted for the omitted "Questions" includes Constitution of the Spartans, Constitution of the Athenians, and Constitution of the Romans, with preface to each.

JAFFNA BOOK SOCIETY. A general view of the principles of law: consisting chiefly in extracts from the Commentaries of Sir William Blackstone. Published by the Jaffna book society. Manepy [Ceylon] American mission press, 1837.

i p. l., 65 p. 14½ x 9½ cm. [58]

The extracts are taken from the *Commentaries*, book I, Introduction, sections 2 and 3. The text of those sections, slightly abridged, with notes omitted, is arranged as "Part I. Of the nature of laws in general" and "Part II. The law of England." Topical headings, questions on the text, and some notes have been added by an anonymous editor.

JONES. A translation of all the Greek, Latin, Italian, and French quotations which occur in Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England; and also in the notes of the editions by Christian, Archbold, and Williams. By J. W. Jones . . . London, Printed for Charles Reader [etc.] 1823.

iv, 250 p. 23 x 15 cm. [59]

First edition. Translated and compiled by John Winter Jones, who is designated on title page as "J. W. Jones, esq., late of Gray's Inn." His preface is dated Nov. 1st. 1823. According to his "Advertisement," p. iv, "Where Blackstone has given the sense of any passage it has not been translated here." The editorial notes referred to are those of Edward Christian, John Frederick Archbold, and John Williams of the Inner Temple.

Reprinted in America as a separate work, and included in Cooley's third edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, 1884. See no. 169 and 128.

KERR. The student's Blackstone. Selections from the Commentaries on the laws of England. By Sir William Blackstone, Knt. . . . Being those portions of the work which

relate to the British constitution and the rights of persons.

By Robert Malcolm Kerr . . . London, John Murray, 1858.
xix, 575, [1] p. 20 x 13 cm. [60]

The compiler of these *Selections* also edited four editions of the *Commentaries* of Blackstone "adapted to the present state of the law," the first of which was published in London, 1857. (See no. 43.) These *Selections* are taken from that 1857 edition of the *Commentaries* in four volumes; they comprise book I, with a few passages from books III and IV. In his preface, p. [v]-viii, dated February 1858, Kerr states: "Those portions of the work for which the editor is responsible, have been put within inverted commas . . . to distinguish them from the original text. . . . The notes and references in the original work have not been reprinted."

This is the first Kerr abridgment. Subsequent editions of *The Student's Blackstone* are abridgments of the four books of Blackstone's *Commentaries*.

✓ KERR. The student's Blackstone. Commentaries on the laws of England. In four books. By Sir William Blackstone, Knt. . . . Abridged and adapted to the present state of the law, by Robert Malcolm Kerr . . . London, John Murray, 1865.
xx, 612 p. 19 x 13 cm. [60a]
Page 326 incorrectly numbered 226.

Preface dated October, 1865, states: "The present work is . . . an abridgment of the whole *Commentaries* of Blackstone, with such alterations as the legislative changes of the last century have made necessary." Appendix, p. 572-592, contains notes.

✓ KERR. The student's Blackstone . . . New ed. London, John Murray, 1869. [61]
xx, 645, [1] p. 19 x 13 cm.
Page 326 incorrectly numbered 226.

For title, see no. 60a. This is a reprint of the text of the 1865 edition, with supplements added. Preface dated October, 1865. Supplements follow index as follows: "First supplement. Of the rise, progress, and gradual improvements, of the laws of England" and "Second supplement. The legislation of the session of 1868," p. 613-645.

✓ KERR. The student's Blackstone . . . New ed. London, John Murray, 1870. [62]
xx, 647, [1] p. 19 x 13 cm.
Page 326 incorrectly numbered 226.

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* [69.14] *Review. The student's Reminiscences of Howard*
ed. London, John Murray, 1874.
17, 49 p. 19 cent.

For title, *see* no. 60a. Preface dated October, 1865. This is a reprint of the text of no. 60a, with supplements, p. 613-647, added as in no. 61. Third supplement contains "The legislation of the sessions of 1869 and 1870."

- ✓ KERR. The student's Blackstone; being the Commentaries on the laws of England of Sir William Blackstone, Knt. Abridged and adapted to the present state of the law. By Robert Malcolm Kerr . . . London, John Murray, 1877. [63] xx, 608 p. 19 x 13 cm.

Preface dated January 1877. In this edition, the text has been revised; alterations in the law are incorporated in the text and a few footnotes.

- ✓ KERR. The student's Blackstone . . . [*Title as in no. 63*] London, John Murray, 1879. [64] xx, 608 p. 19 x 13 cm.
Page 379 incorrectly numbered 979.

A reprint of no. 63. Preface, undated, is otherwise the same as in no. 63.

- ✓ KERR. The student's Blackstone . . . [*Title as in no. 63*] London, John Murray, 1880. [65] xx, 608 p. 19 x 13 cm.
Errors in paging: p. 379 numbered 979, and 467 numbered 476.

A reprint of no. 63. Preface, undated, is otherwise the same as in no. 63.

- ✓ KERR. The student's Blackstone . . . The 11th ed., by R. M. N. Kerr . . . London, Reeves and Turner, 1890. [66] xx, 618 p. 19 x 13 cm.
Page 420 incorrectly numbered 424. *420 = 421*

For title, *see* no. 63. This edition was published without a preface. Alterations in the law are incorporated in the text and a few footnotes. The compiler's full name is Robert Malcolm Napier Kerr. On title pages of previous editions in Yale Law Library his name appears as Robert Malcolm Kerr.

- ✓ KERR. The student's Blackstone . . . The 12th ed. By R. M. N. Kerr . . . London, Reeves and Turner, 1896. [67] xx, 620 p. 19 x 13 cm.

For title, *see* no. 63. This edition was published without a preface. Alterations in the law are incorporated in the text and a few footnotes.

LAW STUDENTS' MAGAZINE. The law students' first book, being chiefly an abridgment of Blackstone's *Commentaries*. Incorporating the alterations in the law down to the present time. By the editors of "The Law students' magazine." London, Robert Hastings; Dublin, E. J. Milliken, 1848. [68]

xxiv, 508, xvi p. 20 x 12 cm.
List of "Errata," p. [iii].

"An abridgment of those portions of the *Commentaries* which are law at the present day . . . In order to enable the student readily to refer to Blackstone, and also to the *New Commentaries* of . . . Stephen (founded on Blackstone) a reference is made at the beginning of each chapter and section to the corresponding parts of those works." This note appears in the preface, dated 1st September, 1848. The Addenda contain notes of alterations in the law. This is followed by "Translation of Latin phrases," "Notes and references," "Abbreviations in references" and index. This is believed to be the only edition published.

This copy contains the autograph of Cornelius Walford, Jr., of the Middle Temple, barrister and writer on insurance and other subjects.

MEMBER OF LINCOLN'S INN. An analysis and summary of Blackstone on real property. With a series of questions. By a member of Lincoln's Inn. Oxford, Printed and published by J. Vincent, 1859. [69]

vii, 75 p. 18 x 11 cm.

No prior edition has been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. It is a summary of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, book II, chapters 2-23, with a rearrangement of topics; analyses (charts) are included in text. "Chief statutes cited," p. [63]-64. "Appendix. Rule in Shelley's case" and "Questions on Blackstone on real property," p. [69]-75.

This copy, in original paper covers, is in Yale University Library.

MEMBER OF LINCOLN'S INN. An analysis and summary of Blackstone on real property . . . 3d ed. Oxford, Printed and published by J. Vincent, 1868. [70]

vi, 70 p. 18½ x 11 cm.

For title, *see* no. 69. No second edition has been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. The third edition has the same features found in no. 69, the statutes on p. [62]-63, the appendix and the questions on p. [64]-70. In this copy, p. 61-[62] bound in after p. 70. Interleaved, with manuscript notes.

X
[72.1] Stewart. [title as in 72a] ... 3rd ed. rev.
& greatly enlarged. ... London, Edward Spottiswoode,
1844.
xxiv, 297, xxxiii p. 22 1/2 cm. LC. 40-3325

X
[72.2] Stewart. [title as in 72a] ... 4th ed. rev. &
greatly enl. London, W. & A. G. Stevenson & W. S. Morton
... 1853.
xxiv, 373, xxxiv p. 22 1/2 cm. LC. 39-4727

ROSE. A constitutional catechism, adapted to all ranks and capacities, illustrated with copious notes: principally extracted from the Commentaries of the late Judge Blackstone. To which is prefixed an epistolary dedication to the Honorable Thomas Erskine, M.P. By John Rose. Bristol, Printed and sold by the author, 1795. [71]

viii, 87 p. 19½ x 12 cm.

The compiler was a printer of Bristol, England. The text consists of questions and answers, with footnotes quoted from Blackstone's *Commentaries* signed "Blackstone." No book or page references to Blackstone are given. Notes by the compiler are unsigned. The dedication is dated "Bristol, March 27, 1795." Note of textual amendment "in page 36," and "Errata" of two lines are printed at foot of p. 87.

STEWART. The principles of the law of real property, according to the text of Blackstone: incorporating the alterations down to the present time. By James Stewart . . . London, Edmund Spettigue, 1837. [72]

xvi, 273, xiv, [275]-282 p. 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14½ cm.

Page 254 incorrectly numbered 354.

"Table of consanguinity" faces p. 132; folded "Table of descents" faces p. 151.

This first edition contains only that portion of book I of Blackstone's *Commentaries* which relates to real property, *i.e.* chapters 2-23. Stewart has divided his work into four books, but, except for transposition of the subject "Of uses and trusts" into a separate chapter, he has followed Blackstone's order of chapters. Stewart's alterations are incorporated in the body of the text, without distinguishing marks; marginal references to corresponding pages in Blackstone are included. Stewart's Introduction, p. [iii]-vi, is dated March 30, 1837. Appendix, xiv p., contains forms. List of "Errata et corrigenda" is printed at end of index, p. 282.

STEWART. The principles of the law of real and personal property; being the second book of Blackstone's Commentaries: incorporating the alterations down to the present time. 2d ed., revised, and greatly enlarged. By James Stewart . . . London, Edmund Spettigue, 1840. [72a]

xxiii, 559, xxxiii p. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15 cm.

This second edition contains the whole of Blackstone's second book, with Stewart's alterations incorporated in the body of the text. His "Advertisement to the second edition" is dated April 6, 1840. Blackstone's paging of

book II is retained in margin. Blackstone's appendix to book II is replaced with forms in contemporary use.

In 1841 this work was published in London as book II of Blackstone's *Commentaries on the Laws of England. In Four Books. Twentieth Edition. By James Stewart.* (See no. 39.) Separate publication of the second book with the title *Principles of the Law of Real and Personal Property* was continued; third and fourth editions were published in London, 1844 and 1853. See notes to no. 42.

STEWART. Private wrongs, and their remedies; being the third book of Blackstone's Commentaries: incorporating the alterations down to the present time. By James Stewart . . . London, Edmund Spettigue, 1840. [73]
xviii, 499, lii p. 23½ x 15 cm.

This first edition contains the text of Blackstone's book III, with Stewart's alterations and additions incorporated in the body of the text. The preface is dated Aug. 29th, 1840. Blackstone's paging of book III is retained in the margin. Blackstone's appendix to book III is changed by omissions and by the addition of forms in contemporary use.

In 1841 this work was published in London as book III of Blackstone's *Commentaries on the Laws of England. In Four Books. Twentieth Edition. By James Stewart.* See no. 39.

STEWART. Private wrongs . . . 2d ed., revised, and greatly enlarged. By James Stewart . . . London, Edmund Spettigue, 1844. [74]
2 p. l, iii, [ix]-xxi, [1], 536, liii, [1] p. 23 x 15 cm.

For title, see no. 73. "Preface to the second edition" is dated 15th January, 1844. Blackstone's paging of book III is retained in the margin.

This work was also published in London, 1844, as book III of Blackstone's *Commentaries on the Laws of England. In Four Books. By James Stewart. Second Edition.* Except for title pages, the same plates were used for these two 1844 issues of Blackstone's third book. See no. 41.

STEWART. The rights of persons, according to the text of Blackstone, incorporating the alterations down to the present time. By James Stewart . . . London, Edmund Spettigue, 1839. [75]
xii, 532 p. 22½ x 14 cm.

This is the first edition. No later edition with this title has been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. It contains the whole text of Blackstone's book I,

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Trusted John, I am sorry that the con-
ditional form of English, being an
abridgment of the Latin, is not
by the Rev. Mr. John Cruden, London,
Printed by, Mr. [unclear], at the [unclear] Press,
No. 10, Red Lion Street, Christchurch
Lane, London.

1744. 20 p. 8vo. [unclear] [unclear]

with Stewart's alterations and additions incorporated in the body of the text. The preface is dated March 1, 1839. Blackstone's paging of book I is retained in the margin.

In 1841 this work was published in London as book I of Blackstone's *Commentaries on the Laws of England. In Four Books. Twentieth Edition. By James Stewart.* (See no. 39.) For revised edition of this volume, see notes to bracketed title for Stewart's twenty-second edition, following no. 41. For Stewart's last revision of Blackstone, see no. 42.

WANOSTROCHT. The British constitution, or An epitome of Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, for the use of schools. By Vincent Wanostrocht . . . London, Printed for Longman, Hurst, Rees, Orme, and Brown, 1823. xi, 845 p. 19½ x 12½ cm. [76]

This abridgment by "Vincent Wanostrocht, LL.D., Alfred-House Academy, Camberwell" has preface dated October 28, 1822.

WARREN. Select extracts from Blackstone's Commentaries, carefully adapted to the use of schools and young persons; with a glossary, questions, and notes, and a general introduction. By Samuel Warren . . . London, A. Maxwell [etc.] MDCCCXXXVII. *L. C. 4 C - 25043* [77]
2 p. l. [vii]-xxviii, 428 p. 20 x 12 cm.

The first edition was published in London, 1836; the selections from Blackstone were made by John William Smith, whose name did not appear in the book. Smith and Warren prepared the extracts for publication.

The 1837 publication is a verbatim reprint, according to Warren's preface to his 1855 abridgment. (See no. 78.) On the title page of the 1837 publication the compiler is designated "Samuel Warren, esq., F.R.S. of the Inner Temple." The introduction, unsigned, is dated "The Inner Temple, London. 20th Nov., 1836." Blackstone's last chapter of book IV, "On the rise, progress, and gradual improvements of the laws of England" is printed in full, with "Continuation to the year 1825, by Mr. Justice Coleridge" and "Continuation from the year 1825, to the present time, by one of the compilers of this volume" [*i.e.* John William Smith]. "Questions" are printed at the end of each section, "Glossary" on p. [425]-428.

On a leaf inserted after p. xxviii, a publisher's advertisement describes an edition of Warren's abridgment as follows: "In one thick post 8vo vol. 892 pages. Price 18s. cloth, *Blackstone's Commentaries; Systematically Abridged and Adapted to the Existing State of the Law and Constitution, With Great Additions; Together with an Introduction, Questions for Examination, and a Very Copious Index.*" This edition, apparently published after the "Second

edition" of 1856, with the same title, has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. See also no. 79.

Soule lists an 1839 reprint with title *Select Extracts*, for which his information is incomplete, as he had not seen a copy. Allibone also lists this issue.

WARREN. Blackstone's Commentaries systematically abridged and adapted to the existing state of the law and constitution, with great additions, by Samuel Warren . . . London, W. Maxwell [etc.] 1855. *L.C. 445-36321* [78] liv p., 1 l., 834 p. 20½ x 13½ cm. List of "Corrigenda": leaf following p. liv.

The compiler's name appears on title page as "Samuel Warren, of the Inner Temple, esquire, D.C.L., F.R.S., recorder of Hull, and one of Her Majesty's counsel." For information about the original compilation, see no. 77. The 1855 edition is the first published under the new title; it was so enlarged as to be practically a new work. "Two-thirds of it consist of new matter," according to the preface dated Trinity term, 1855. The "Notice" on verso of half-title page explains that portions of the text enclosed in brackets are new matter, the rest being that of Blackstone, that reference is made to the corresponding portions of the original Blackstone text at the head of every chapter that is not new, and that the appendix contains questions for examination on every chapter.

Blackstone's last chapter of book IV "Of the rise, progress, and gradual improvements of the laws of England" is printed in full, with "Continuation to the year 1825, by . . . Mr. Justice Coleridge" and "Continuation from the year 1825, to the year 1836, by the late John William Smith." This is the first edition in which Smith's share in the work is publicly acknowledged. According to *Blackwood's Magazine*, February, 1847, p. 142, Smith would not permit his name to appear on the compilation. After his death in 1845, the facts were revealed.

WARREN. Blackstone's Commentaries systematically abridged . . . 2d ed. London, W. Maxwell [etc.] 1856. [79] vii, [2], [ix]-liv p., 1 l., 834 p. 20½ x 13½ cm. *L.C. 12-13573*

For title, see no. 78. The second edition, containing "certain valuable emendations" follows the arrangement of the 1855 edition. Note explaining Warren's treatment of "new matter" etc., appears on leaf following p. liv. "Preface to the second edition" dated Trinity vacation, 1856, precedes preface reprinted from the 1855 edition. To Blackstone's last chapter of book IV and the continuations to the year 1836, as found in the 1855 edition, is added "Continuation from the year 1836, to the year 1856, by Samuel Warren."

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[80] Gift of W. V. Kellens, June 18, 1925.
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[with 500.00] Bell, Robert. Impression of an American
edition of Commentaries on the Law of England,
by William Blackstone, America: Printed for the
subscribers, by Robert Bell, Philadelphia
Philadelphia, 1793-1797.
74. (1016) \$25.00

III
AMERICAN EDITIONS OF THE
COMMENTARIES

X
26. Commentaries on the laws of England. In four books. By Sir William Blackstone, Knt. one of His Majesty's judges of the Court of Common Pleas. Re-printed from the British copy, page for page with the last edition. America: Printed for the subscribers, by Robert Bell, at the late Union library, in Third-street, Philadelphia, 1771-1772. [80]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15 cm.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1-2. MDCCLXXI. Vol. 3. MDCCLXXII. Vol. 4 incorrectly printed DCCLXXII.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii p., 1 l. [4], 485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, [1], xxvii p. Vol. 4. 15 p. l., 436, vii, [38] p., 1 l.

Errors in paging: Vol. 1, p. 280 numbered 208; vol. 2, p. 131, 163, 454, and 514 numbered respectively 130, 663, 354, and 516.

Publisher's advertisements: Vol. 1, four unnumbered pages preceding title page; vol. 3, verso of p. 455; vol. 4, one leaf, trimmed, mounted on fly-leaf preceding title page. The advertisement in vol. 3 refers to *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries*; that in vol. 4 solicits subscriptions for Bell's proposed quarto reprint of the *Commentaries*. See no. 81.

This is the first American edition; reprinted line for line from the fourth Oxford edition, 1770. It was printed with an advance subscription list of 1,587 sets, according to the alphabetical list of "Names of the subscribers," twenty-two unnumbered pages preceding title page of vol. 4, which lists 839 names of individuals, libraries, and booksellers.

The preface is dated 2 Nov. 1765. Like the preface in the fourth Oxford edition, it contains only the first three paragraphs of Blackstone's original preface to the first Oxford edition.

Following table of contents in vol. 1 this note is printed: "If any reader of this edition meets with some words uncommonly spelled, he is requested, not hastily to blame the American editor; because report sayeth, the last British edition was corrected under the immediate inspection of the learned author, and it has of late been the practice of several great men to spell many words in their own peculiar manner.—Therefore, the American editor, to make this

American edition a perfect transcript of the last British edition, hath adhered to it as literally as possible."

Some of the printer's difficulties in making this a "perfect transcript" appear in a footnote on p. 27 of vol. 1: "There being no Greek characters at present in Philadelphia, we hope the learned reader will accept the Greek in Roman letters." (This note was omitted in a 1774 reprint of this volume. *See* no. 82.)

This is Robert Bell's octavo edition in fours. Signatures are as follows: Vol. 1. (2 unsigned), Y₄, A-U₄, W-Z₄, Aa-Uu₄, Ww-Zz₄, Aaa-Mmm₄, Nnn₃. Vol. 2. a₄, A-U₄, W-Z₄, Aa-Uu₄, Ww-Zz₄, Aaa-Ttt₄, Uuu₂. Vol. 3. a₄, A-U₄, W-Z₄, Aa-Uu₄, Ww-Zz₄, Aaa-Mmm₄, Nnn₂. Vol. 4. T-TT₄, TTT₃, a₄, A-U₄, W-Z₄, Aa-Uu₄, Ww-Zz₄, Aaa-Hhh₄, Iii-Rrr₂.

The four volumes are on paper with vertical chain-lines, with the following exceptions: p. 169-224 (signatures X-Z, Aa-Dd) in vol. 3, and twenty-two unnumbered pages of subscribers' names in vol. 4 have horizontal chain-lines. The five copies of vol. 3-4 which have been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue* have these signatures with horizontal chain-lines, in the octavo volumes. These signatures in vol. 3 may be reprinted leaves, for in some copies of vol. 2 containing reprinted leaves, such leaves have horizontal chain-lines. (*See* second copy listed below.) For further discussion of this point, *see* Introduction to this *Catalogue*.

Vol. 2 has the text as first printed by Bell. The catchwords and signatures are printed *above* the footnotes. In copies of this volume which contain some reprinted signatures, such pages have catchwords and signatures printed *below* the footnotes. (*See* second copy listed below.)

This copy, the gift of President Charles Seymour of Yale University, contains the bookplate of Nathan Perkins. Vol. 1 lacks p. 177-184 (signatures Y₄).

Yale Law Library has another copy, of which vol. 1 and 3 are perfect; vol. 2 lacks two tables; vol. 4 lacks last leaf of index.

In addition to the leaves with horizontal chain-lines in the octavo vol. 3-4 described above, in this second copy vol. 2 contains reprinted leaves with horizontal chain-lines as follows: p. [1]-8, 57-64, 257-264, 353-360 (signatures A, H, Ii, and Ww) have minor printer's corrections departing from the text of the fourth Oxford edition. These pages, obviously printed from a different setting of type, have catchwords and signatures *below* the footnotes. Other pages have catchwords and signatures *above* the footnotes.

On p. 446 of vol. 2, a printed slip with corrected text of first ten lines is pasted over text as originally printed; the only change is the insertion of the word "not" in fourth line to read "he shall not be allowed . . ." (In the copy as originally printed, which is described above, the line begins "he shall be allowed . . .")

An additional publisher's advertisement preceding title page of vol. 3 of this copy describes the volume *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries*, sometimes called vol. 5 of the *Commentaries*, which Robert Bell published as a fifth volume to accompany this edition of the *Commentaries*. *See* no. 255.

Commentaries . . . Book the fourth . . . Philadelphia, DCC-
LXXII. [*i.e.* 1772] [81]
4 p. l., 436, vii, [38] p., 1 l. 24½ x 19½ cm. (Page is 23.7 x 18 cm.)

The rare second American edition, in quarto. So far as is known, only two volumes were published in quarto; these are Blackstone's book 4, and *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries* which Robert Bell published as vol. 5 of this edition.

Vol. 4 is in Yale Law Library. Vol. 5, in American Antiquarian Society Library, is imperfect, lacking parts 2-3 of the six parts, and the last leaf of part 4.

Vol. 4 has title page which reads exactly like the title page of vol. 4 of the octavo edition, even to reproducing the error in imprint date DCCLXXII instead of MDCCLXXII. (*See* no. 80.) The collation is the same as in the octavo vol. 4, except that the twenty-two pages of subscribers' names are omitted in the quarto. Signatures as follows: a4, A-U4, W-Z4, Aa-Uu4, Ww-Zz4, Aaa-Hhh4, Iii-Rrr2.

This volume is a small quarto. All leaves have horizontal chain-lines. No watermark is visible. It was apparently printed from the same setting of type as the octavo vol. 4. Other distinguishing marks of this quarto volume are as follows: On p. iv of appendix, the octavo vol. 4 has catchword "§. 3. Entry" but this catchword is omitted in the quarto. On p. 177, end of line 17 reads: "their habita-" in the octavo, but in the quarto it reads: "their hab it."

This is the edition projected by the publisher of the octavo first American edition, Robert Bell, whose advertisement mounted on fly-leaf of vol. 4 of the Philadelphia octavo edition, 1771-1772, describes it as "A second American edition of Judge Blackstone's *Commentaries* . . . in four volumes quarto" which he offered to subscribers to the first edition in exchange for "their octavo (if not abused) . . . on paying the difference between the prices." The price of the octavo was two dollars a volume, and the quarto was three dollars.

Further information concerning this edition appears in the publisher's advertisement preceding title page of *The Palladium of Conscience*, Philadelphia, Robert Bell, 1773, which describes "A second American edition of Judge Blackstone's *Commentaries on the Laws of England*. In four volumes quarto, at three dollars each volume, and the fifth volume, or *Appendix*, at two dollars; the whole in neat law-binding. The fourth and fifth volumes of this quarto edition is already printed and sold at five dollars, to those gentlemen who become subscribers for the first, second, and third volumes, which are now printing at Philadelphia, by said Robert Bell." For a description of the quarto "fifth volume, or *Appendix*," *see* no. 255.

C. C. Soule and W. G. Hammond knew that subscriptions had been solicited by Bell for this quarto edition, but both believed it had never been published. *See* the compiler's Introduction to this *Catalogue*.

Commentaries . . . [Title as in no. 80] Philadelphia, Printed and sold by Robert Bell, 1772-1775. [82]

Yale Law Library has 3 vol., books I-III. 23½ x 15 cm.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1. MDCCLXXIV. Vol. 2. MDCCLXXV. Vol. 3. MDCCLXXII.

Imprint of vol. 3 reads: America: Printed for the subscribers, by Robert Bell . . .

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., ii, [2], 485 p. Vol. 2. 4 p. l., 520, xix p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., 455, [1], xxvii p.

Errors in printing: Vol. 1, signatures Kk₃₋₄ printed as follows: p. 271 printed on verso of p. 269, and p. 270 on recto of p. 272; vol. 2, p. 131, 163, 454, and 514 numbered respectively 130, 663, 354, and 516.

The two tables, found in vol. 2 of the first American edition, are omitted.

These three volumes, reprinted from the first American edition, are eccentric in format. Although all three correspond in centimeter measurements to the *octavo* first American edition, and some leaves in each have vertical chain-lines, many leaves of each volume have horizontal chain-lines. In vol. 1, all pages to 168, and p. 177-312, 329-485 have horizontal chain-lines; in vol. 2, p. 169-176 have horizontal chain-lines.

Vol. 3, which appears from title page to be a copy of the first American edition, has reprinted leaves as follows: Pages 105-112, 121-136, 193-200, 329-336 (signatures O, Q-R, Aa, and Ss) with longer lines of printing, have catchwords and signatures printed *below* the footnotes; chain-lines on these leaves are horizontal. The remainder of the volume has vertical chain-lines, and catchwords and signatures are printed *above* the footnotes.

Each of the three volumes is obviously made up of signatures printed from at least *two different settings of type*. In this reprint, the American editor's note regarding spelling is omitted, and there are many changes in spelling in the text. See no. 80.

No 1774 or 1775 reprints of vol. 3-4 have been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. A discussion of the possible relationship between the three Bell editions of the *Commentaries* appears in the Introduction to the *Catalogue*.

Commentaries . . . The first Worcester edition, carefully reprinted from the last London edition. Containing the last corrections of the author, the additions by Richard Burn, LL.D., and continued to the present time, by John Williams, esq. . . . Worcester, Massachusetts, Printed . . . by Isaiah Thomas, sold at his bookstore in Worcester, and by him and company in Boston, MDCCXC. [83]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 18½ x 11½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 2 p. l., [9]-12, 226, 225*-226*, 227-337, 336*-337*, 338-420, 419*-420*, 421-485 p. Vol. 2. vii, 520, xix p. Vol. 3. vi, 60, 59*-60*,

61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxvii p. Vol. 4. vi, 160, 159*-162*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-443, vii, [52] p. Frontispiece in vol. 1. Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by S. Hill.

Reprinted from the tenth edition, London, 1787. (See no. 17.) Some notes by Williams found in that edition are omitted from the Worcester edition. The notes of Burn and Williams are printed as footnotes. "Additions by John Williams, esq; which in the first volume only, were omitted in their proper places," vol. 1, p. 11-12. Dedication "To the practitioners of the law, in the United States," signed "Isaiah Thomas . . . 1790," leaf following title page of vol. 1, is followed by table of contents, p. [9]-10. Blackstone's Preface and Postscript (omitted) may be lacking, as they are printed before table of contents in the Boston 1799 edition. See no. 84.

This copy of vol. 1 lacks p. 133-144, and has p. 109-120 duplicated. On fly-leaves of vol. 3-4, anonymous verses about Blackstone's *Commentaries* appear in an unidentified handwriting.

There never was a second Worcester edition. See no. 84.

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SC.
Commentaries . . . 2d American edition, carefully reprinted from the last London edition, containing the last corrections of the author, the additions by Richard Burn, LL.D., and continued to the present time, by John Williams, esq. . . . Boston, Printed . . . by I. Thomas and E. T. Andrews, 1799.

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 18 x 11½ cm. [84]
Imprint of vol. 3-4: Boston, From J. Bumstead's printing office . . . sold to Mess. Thomas and Andrews . . .

Collation: Vol. 1. 8, 512 p. Vol. 2. vi, 520, xviii p. Vol. 3. vi, 60, 59*-60*, 61-166, 165*-166*, 167-411, 410*-411*, 412-455, xxviii p. Vol. 4. vi, 160, 159*-162*, 161-236, 235*-236*, 237-374, 373*-374*, 375-442, vii, [52] p. Errors in paging: Vol. 3, p. 71 numbered 17, p. 213 numbered 113, p. 384 numbered 334; vol. 4, p. 79 numbered 97, p. 267 numbered 167.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by S. Hill.

Reprinted from the eleventh edition, London, 1791. (See no. 20.) This Boston edition is the second American duodecimo edition; it was designated on title pages "Second American edition" because it was the second issued by Isaiah Thomas, who sold it at his Worcester bookstore. His first duodecimo edition was printed in Worcester, Massachusetts. There never was a second Worcester edition. See no. 83.

This copy of vol. 4 has p. 427-428 incorrectly bound after p. 420, and p. 421-422 after p. 426. It contains the autograph of Ichabod Bartlett, who was a well-known New Hampshire lawyer and a representative in the United States Congress; a second autograph is that of Samuel Colcord Bartlett, for fifteen years the president of Dartmouth College.

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Vol. 10, No. 12

connected view of the laws of Virginia, as a member of the federal union. By St. George Tucker . . . Philadelphia, Published by William Young Birch, and Abraham Small; Robert Carr, printer, 1803. *L.S. 11-1803* [87]

4 v. in 5. 4 tables (3 folded) 22½ x 14 cm.
Collation: Vol. 1, pt. 1. 4 p. l., xviii, [2] p., 1 l., 120 [*i.e.* 130], 446 p. Vol. 1, pt. 2. 5 p. l., [121]-463 [*i.e.* 446], 118 p. (Imperfect; *see* note below.) Vol. 2. 4 p. l., iv p., 1 l., 520 [*i.e.* 606], xvii, 112 p. Vol. 3. 4 p. l., iv p., 1 l., 455 [*i.e.* 528], xxvii, 74 p., 1 l. Vol. 4. 4 p. l., iii p., 1 l., 443 [*i.e.* 529], vii, 60, [50] p., 1 l. (In all volumes paging of Blackstone's text is irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin. Tucker's appendixes to each volume have separate paging. Vol. 1, in two parts, comprises book I of Blackstone.) Tables in vol. 2: "Table of consanguinity" and three different folded "Table[s] of descents."

Title pages in all volumes are identical, with volume numbers omitted; volumes numbered on binding.

Lists of "Errata": Vol. 1, pt. 1 has slip mounted at end of text, p. 446; vol. 3 has one leaf at end.

This edition by "St. George Tucker, professor of law, in the University of William and Mary, and one of the judges of the General Court in Virginia" follows the text of the ninth edition, London, 1783. It contains a selection of Christian's notes, marked with his name. Tucker's footnotes are indicated by numbers. Editor's preface in vol. 1 is dated July 10th, 1802. Each volume contains editor's "Advertisement" dated May 12, 1803.

Vol. 1, pt. 2 is imperfect, lacking twelve leaves, marginal paging 464-485 of Blackstone's text (signatures 3M-3O₄).

Henry St. George Tucker, son of St. George Tucker, prepared *Notes on Blackstone's Commentaries*, which was based on his father's edition of the *Commentaries*. *See* no. 177.

* Commentaries . . . From the last London edition. With the last corrections of the author; and with notes and additions by Edward Christian . . . Portland [Maine] Printed and published by Thomas B. Wait, & co., 1807. *L.S. 32-1806* [88]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 21½ x 13½ cm.
Collation: Vol. 1. 7 p. l. [3]-485 [*i.e.* 662] p. Vol. 2. 3 p. l., 520 [*i.e.* 652], xix p. Vol. 3. 3 p. l., 455 [*i.e.* 510], xxxv p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 443 [*i.e.* 527], vi, [76] p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by David Edwin; "Pub: by T. B. Wait & co. Portland."

A reprint, with slight variation in arrangement, of the fourteenth edition, London, 1803. (*See* no. 26.) The errata of that edition are corrected in the text of the American reprint.

Notes on Blackstone's Commentaries. [By Hugh Henry Brackenridge.] 1814. *See no. 142.*

Commentaries . . . [Title as in no. 88] Boston, T. B. Wait and sons [etc.] 1818. [89]

4 v. portrait, 2 folded tables. 23 x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 6 p. l. [3]-485 [*i.e.* 652] p. Vol. 2. 3 p. l., 520 [*i.e.* 637], xix [*i.e.* xxiv] p. Vol. 3. 3 p. l., 455 [*i.e.* 508], xxxv p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 443 [*i.e.* 515], vi, [76] p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by David Edwin; "Pub: by T. B. Wait, Boston."

This octavo edition is not "from the last London edition"; it is a verbatim reprint of no. 88. Signatures are in fours. An 1818 duodecimo edition was published with the same imprint as this 1818 octavo. *See no. 90.*

Commentaries . . . [Title as in no. 88] Boston, T. B. Wait and sons [etc.] 1818. [90]

4 v. 19 x 12½ cm.

For collation, *see no. 89.* This duodecimo edition is a line for line reprint of the 1818 octavo edition. Signatures are in sixes. (*See no. 89.*) The portrait and two tables found in no. 89 are omitted, but the tables are listed in the index.

Commentaries . . . [Title as in no. 88] New-York, Published by Evert Duyckinck [etc.]; Philadelphia, Abraham Small; George Long, printer, 1822. [91]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 19½ x 12 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xii, [3]-485 [*i.e.* 627] p. Vol. 2. v, 520 [*i.e.* 618], xix [*i.e.* xx] p. Vol. 3. iv p., 1 l., 455 [*i.e.* 498], xxxiv [*i.e.* xxx] p. Vol. 4. 3 p. l., 443 [*i.e.* 504], vii, [58] p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by John Scoles.

This edition, with notes by Christian, is a reprint, with slight variation in arrangement, of the fourteenth edition, London, 1803. *See no. 26.*

Commentaries . . . A new ed., with the last corrections of the author, and with notes and additions by Edward Christian . . . also containing analyses and an epitome of the whole work, with notes, by John Frederick Archbold, esq. Philadelphia, Robert H. Small, 1825. *L.C. 18-10375* [92]

4 v. 28 tables (25 folded) 22½ x 14 cm.

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Collation: Vol. 1. xxiii, 530 p. Vol. 2. vi p., 1 l., 543, xix, [565]-580 p. Vol. 3. vi p., 1 l., 451, xxvii, [481]-494 p. Vol. 4. vi p., 1 l., 435, vii, [445]-457, xxxiv, xiv p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)
Errors in paging: Vol. 1, p. 429 numbered 329; vol. 4, p. 324 numbered 234.
Tables: Two by Blackstone and twenty-six by Archbold. *See* no. 28.

This edition follows the text and notes of Archbold's London edition, 1811. (*See* no. 28.) It contains also the notes of Christian from the fourteenth London edition, 1803, which are not found in no. 28. Vol. 1 includes a life of the author and a list of his writings.

Yale Law Library has a second copy of vol. 4 which contains autograph of George Shiras, Jr. (Yale, B.A. 1853, and a student in the Yale Law School in 1854) who became associate justice of the United States Supreme Court.

Notes on Blackstone's Commentaries. [By Henry St. George Tucker.] 1826. *See* no. 177.

Commentaries . . . To which is added an analysis by Barron Field, esq. A new ed., with practical notes, by Christian, Archbold, and Chitty; together with additional notes and references, by a gentleman of the New-York bar. In two volumes . . . New York, E. Duyckinck [etc.]; Philadelphia, John Grigg, MDCCCXXVII. [93]

2 v. 22 x 14½ cm.

Yale Law Library lacks vol. 1 which has portrait and tables.

Collation: Vol. 2. xv, 379, 335, 107 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, bk. 3, p. 183 numbered 181; bk. 4, p. 245 numbered 254 and p. 318 numbered 518.

This is the first printing of the edition copyrighted July 18, 1827; W. E. Dean, printer and proprietor. An 1830 reprint of this 1827 edition has preface in vol. 1 dated "New-York, July 10th, 1827." (*See* no. 94.) The American editor is unknown. A selection of notes of Christian, Archbold, and Chitty is included; the longer notes of each are marked with their surnames, but many notes taken from editions prior to 1827 are unsigned. American authorities are included in the notes.

Soule says this edition was reprinted with various dates, 1844, 1845, 1850, 1855, etc. "but no other changes." The compiler of this *Catalogue* has seen only no. 94.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 93*] New-York, Collins & Hannay [etc.]; Philadelphia, John Grigg, MDCCCXXX. [94]

2 v. 22½ x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xx, 393, 532 [*i.e.* 432] p. Vol. 2. xv, 379, 335, 107 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

Errors in paging: Vol. 1, bk. 1, p. 309 numbered 209; vol. 1, bk. 2, p. 431-432 numbered 531-532.

The anonymous editor's "Preface to the present edition" in vol. 1 is dated "New-York, July 10th, 1827." This edition, copyrighted July 18, 1827, is a reprint of no. 93. Both were printed by W. E. Dean, but not from the same plates. In the 1830 reprint, some of the many typographical errors of no. 93 are corrected. This copy lacks the two tables listed in the index.

Yale University Library has a copy containing the "Table of consanguinity" and an imperfect "Table of descents" in vol. 1.

Pennsylvania Blackstone; being a modification of the Commentaries of Sir William Blackstone, with numerous alterations and additions. Designed to present an elementary exposition of the entire laws of Pennsylvania. In three volumes . . . By John Reed . . . Carlisle [Pa.] Printed by George Fleming for the author, 1831. [95]

3 v. 22½ x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xvi, 508 p. Vol. 2. xiv, [3]-544 p. Vol. 3. viii, [3]-572 p.
Errors in paging: Vol. 1, p. 165 numbered 465, p. 206 numbered 106, p. 225 numbered 125; vol. 2, p. 515 numbered 514; vol. 3, p. 70 numbered 07, p. 338 numbered 238, p. 536 numbered 336, and p. 542 numbered 342.

This work by John Reed, "President judge of the Courts of Common Pleas of the ninth judicial district of Pennsylvania," copyrighted May 9, 1831, follows Blackstone's arrangement of books I-III. Book IV "Of public wrongs" is omitted. Portions of Blackstone's text, indicated by quotation marks, are incorporated in Reed's text. Footnotes are omitted; references to authorities are included in the text. According to Marvin's *Legal Bibliography*, "Where the author has used the text of Blackstone, he has, for the most part, omitted the references to authorities, and the work is a medley of English, federal, and local law."

Commentaries . . . with an analysis of the work . . . In two volumes. From the 18th London ed. With a life of the author, and notes: by Christian, Chitty, Lee, Hovenden, and Ryland: and also references to American cases, by a member of the New-York bar . . . New-York, Collins and Hannay [etc.]; Philadelphia, Grigg and Elliott, 1832. [96]

2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23 x 15 cm. *2-5-29-15793*

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxvi, 404, 452 p. Vol. 2. xx, 369, 346, 47 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, bk. 3, p. vi printed li, and p. 235 numbered 325.

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This is the first printing of the anonymous edition copyrighted 1832; W. E. Dean, printer and proprietor. It follows the text of the London 1829 edition edited by Lee, Hovenden, and Ryland, with a selection of the notes of that edition, to which are added notes of Christian and Chitty, and American decisions by an anonymous American editor. The notes of the various editors are printed as footnotes, without distinguishing marks. The American editor "A member of the New-York bar" is apparently not the same person who edited the 1827 New York edition under the pseudonym "A gentleman of the New-York bar," for the American as well as the English notes in these two editions differ. This 1832 New York edition, reprinted at various dates, is sometimes called "Chitty's Blackstone." "Preface by the American editor" is dated "New-York, April 8, 1832."

For information concerning the "Life of the author" and the "Analysis" mentioned on title pages, *see* no. 36.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 96*] New-York, W. E. Dean
[etc.] 1836. [97]

2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 22½ x 15 cm.

Yale Law Library lacks vol. 2.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxvi, 404, 452 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

A reprint of no. 96, but not from the same plates. Copyright date 1832.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 96*] New-York, W. E. Dean,
printer & publisher, Collins, Keese & co., 1838. [98]

2 v. in 4. 23½ x 15½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxvi, 404 p. Vol. 2. 452 p. Vol. 3. xx, 369 p. Vol. 4.
390 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.) Published as two vol-
umes, but each book is bound separately and is interleaved. Books II and
IV have caption title only.

This edition, stereotyped by Smith & Wright, New York, is a reprint of
no. 96, but not from the same plates; some of the typographical errors of the
1832 edition are corrected in this reprint. Copyright date 1832. This copy
lacks the two tables listed in the index.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 96*] New-York, W. E. Dean,
printer & publisher, Collins, Keese & co., 1840. [99]

2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23 x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxvi, 404, 452 p. Vol. 2. xx, 369, 390 p.

This impression, stereotyped by Smith & Wright, New York, is from the
plates of no. 98. Copyright date 1832.

Commentaries . . . with an analysis of the work . . . In two volumes, from the 19th London ed. With a life of the author, and notes: by Christian, Chitty, Lee, Hovenden, and Ryland: and also references to American cases, by a member of the New-York bar . . . New-York, W. E. Dean, printer and publisher, Collins, Keese & co.; Philadelphia, Thomas Cowperthwait & co., 1841. [100]

2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxvi, 404, 468 p. Vol. 2. xx, 369, 402 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

This edition, stereotyped by Smith & Wright, New York, in the body of the work follows the text and notes of the 1832 New York edition, which was based on the *eighteenth* London edition; although this 1841 edition has copyright date 1832, it contains the "additional notes, by J. E. Hovenden, esq. [and Archer Ryland] from the last London edition" [*i.e.* nineteenth edition, published 1836.] These additional notes are printed at the end of the text: Vol. 1, book 2, p. [441]-456; vol. 2, book 4, p. [343]-353.

This copy contains autograph of William Law Learned (Yale, B.A. 1841, LL.D. 1878) who became a justice of the New York Supreme Court.

New impressions from the plates of this edition were issued at various dates. These are listed chronologically below.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] New-York, W. E. Dean, printer & publisher, 1845. [101]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 24 x 16 cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression, stereotyped by Smith & Wright, New York, is from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

On fly-leaf of vol. 1 is mounted an extract from *Legal Bibliography*, new series, no. 8, "*The Lawyer's Farewell to His Muse*" by Sir William Blackstone, which was reprinted from *The Biographical History of Sir William Blackstone*, 1782. *See* no. 252.

X Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] New-York, W. E. Dean, printer & publisher, 1847. [102]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15½ cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression, stereotyped by Smith & Wright, New York, is from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832. In this copy of vol. 2, p. [iii]-vi are incorrectly bound after p. viii.

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[100.12] Commentaries on the Bible, vol. 10, 1900
New York, W. B. Eerdmans, printer & publisher, 1900.
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[100.13] Commentaries on the Bible, vol. 11, 1901
New York, W. B. Eerdmans, printer & publisher, 1901.
4 v. 23 cm. L.C. 14-2959

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[100.14] Commentaries on the Bible, vol. 12, with an analysis of
the work. ... from the 21st London edn. Vol. 1 by Wargrave,
v. 2 by Sweet, v. 3 by Lamb, v. 4 by ... By John
L. ... ed. ... New York, Harper &
Brothers, publishers, 1849
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Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] New-York, W. E. Dean,
printer & publisher, 1848. [103]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 24 x 16 cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression, stereotyped by Smith & Wright, New York, is from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] New-York, W. E. Dean,
printer & publisher, 1849. [104]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15½ cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression, stereotyped by Smith & Wright, New York, is from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

Mounted on fly-leaf of vol. 1 is a bust portrait of Blackstone, facing left, in a rectangular frame; portrait after Gainsborough, by an unknown engraver.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] New-York, W. E. Dean,
printer & publisher, 1850. [105]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 16 cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression, stereotyped by Smith & Wright, New York, is from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832. In this reprint, as in subsequent impressions from the same plates, many page numbers are blurred or missing.

Yale University Library has an impression from the same plates, with title page of vol. 2 dated 1852.

Commentaries . . . with an analysis of the work . . . with the last corrections of the author, and notes, from the 21st London ed. With copious notes explaining the changes in the law effected by decision or statute down to 1844 . . . Together with notes adapting the work to the American student. By John L. Wendell . . . In four volumes . . . New-York, Harper & brothers, 1852. [106]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 23½ x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xlvii, 496 [*i.e.* 477] p. Vol. 2. xvi p., 2 l., 554 [*i.e.* 660] p. Vol. 3. xvi p., 2 l., 455 [*i.e.* 425], xlix [*i.e.* xlii] p. Vol. 4. xxii p., 1 l., 443 [*i.e.* 482], lxx p. (Paging irregular, following Blackstone's paging in margin.)

This is a reprint of the Wendell edition published in New York, 1847. Copyright date 1847. To the notes of the English editors of the twenty-first London edition (vol. 1, J. F. Hargrave, vol. 2, George Sweet, vol. 3, Richard

Couch, and vol. 4, W. N. Welsby) are added notes by Joseph Chitty and Edward Christian, indicated by their surnames. The footnotes of J. L. Wendell "late state reporter of New York" are starred.

A "Table of consanguinity" and two different "Table[s] of descents" are in vol. 2. For information concerning the "Life of the author" and the "Analysis" mentioned on title pages, *see* no. 40.

- Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] New York, William E. Dean, 1853. [107]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23 x 15½ cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression, stereotyped by Thomas B. Smith and printed by Van Norden & Amerman, New York, is from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

- Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 106*] New York, Harper & brothers, 1854. [108]
4 v. 3 tables (1 folded) 24 x 15½ cm.

For collation, *see* no. 106. This impression of the Wendell edition is printed from the plates of no. 106. Copyright date 1847.

- Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] Philadelphia, Lippincott, Grambo & co., 1855. [109]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23 x 15½ cm.

Vol. 2 published by J. B. Lippincott & co. For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression of the "Member of the New-York bar" edition is printed from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

- Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co., 1856. [110]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23 x 16 cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression of the "Member of the New-York bar" edition is printed from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

- Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 106*] New York, Harper & brothers, 1856. [111]
4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 24 x 15½ cm. *U.S. 22117*

For collation, *see* no. 106. This impression of the Wendell edition is printed from the plates of no. 106. Copyright date 1847.

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Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1855.
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Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1857.
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New York: Harper & Brothers, 1857.
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[115.2] Commentaries on [Title as in no. 100]
Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1861
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New York, Harper & Brothers, 1862
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Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co., 1858. [112]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15½ cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression of the "Member of the New-York bar" edition is printed from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co., 1859. [113]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 16 cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression of the "Member of the New-York bar" edition is printed from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co., 1860. [114]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 16 cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression of the "Member of the New-York bar" edition is printed from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

Commentaries . . . With notes selected from the editions of Archbold, Christian, Coleridge, Chitty, Stewart, Kerr, and others, Barron Field's *Analysis*, and additional notes, and a life of the author, by George Sharswood . . . In two volumes . . . Philadelphia, Childs & Peterson, 1860. [115]

2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25 x 17½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxix, 811 p. Vol. 2. xx, 739 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by R. Whitechurch. Facsimile autograph on plate reads "W. Blackstone."

This reprint of Sharswood's 1859 Philadelphia edition was stereotyped by L. Johnson and co., Philadelphia, and printed by Deacon & Peterson. Copyright date 1859. Preface dated June, 1859. Notes of Sharswood, "professor of the institutes of law in the University of Pennsylvania" are printed with those of the English editors as footnotes; each note is signed with the name of the editor from whom it was taken. Extracts from Blackstone's *Analysis* replace table of contents in each volume; Field's *Analysis* precedes index in vol. 2. For other reprints of Field's *Analysis*, *see* notes to no. 54.

The 1859 first edition of Sharswood has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. Reprints from the plates of the 1859 Sharswood edition were issued at various dates. These are listed chronologically below.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 115*] Philadelphia, George W.
Childs, 1864. [116]
2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25 x 17 cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 115. This impression of the Sharswood edition, stereotyped by L. Johnson & co., Philadelphia, was printed by Collins, from the plates of no. 115. Copyright date 1859.

Yale Law Library copy lacks vol. 1, but Yale University Library has this impression complete in two volumes.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 115*] Philadelphia, George W.
Childs, 1865. [117]
2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17 cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 115. This impression of the Sharswood edition, stereotyped by L. Johnson & co., Philadelphia, was printed by Collins, from the plates of no. 115. Copyright date 1859. In this reprint, as in subsequent impressions from these plates, many page numbers are blurred.

This copy contains the autograph of John William Sterling (Yale, B.A. 1864, LL.D. 1893), who as a practicing lawyer of New York City, amassed the fortune which was largely bestowed on Yale University.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 115*] Philadelphia, George W.
Childs, 1866. [118]
2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17 cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 115. This impression of the Sharswood edition, stereotyped by L. Johnson & co., Philadelphia, was printed by Collins, from the plates of no. 115. Copyright date 1859.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 115*] Philadelphia, George W.
Childs, 1868. [119]
2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17 cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 115. This impression of the Sharswood edition, stereotyped by L. Johnson & co., Philadelphia, was printed by Collins, from the plates of no. 115. Copyright date 1859.

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Philadelphia, George W. Childs, 1847.

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Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co., 1870. [120]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15½ cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression of the "Member of the New York bar" edition is printed from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 115*] Philadelphia, George W. Childs, 1871. [121]
2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17½ cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 115. This impression of the Sharswood edition, stereotyped by L. Johnson & co., Philadelphia, was printed by Collins, from the plates of no. 115. Copyright date 1859.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 100*] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co., 1872. [122]
2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 15½ cm.

For collation, *see* no. 100. This impression of the "Member of the New York bar" edition is printed from the plates of no. 100. Copyright date 1832. *See* notes to no. 123 for another edition issued in 1872.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 115*] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co., 1872. [123]
2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17½ cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 115. This impression of the Sharswood edition, stereotyped by L. Johnson & co., Philadelphia, was printed from the plates of no. 115. Copyright date 1859.

In 1872, J. B. Lippincott & co., the firm which had published reprints of the "Member of the New York bar" edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries* since 1856, also took over the publication of reprints of the Sharswood edition of the *Commentaries*, and issued these two different editions the same year. *See* no. 122.

Commentaries . . . together with such notes of enduring value as have been published in the several English editions. And also a copious analysis of the contents; and additional notes with references to English and American decisions and statutes, to date, which illustrate or change the law of the

text; also, a full table of abbreviations, and some considerations regarding the study of the law. By Thomas M. Cooley . . . 2d ed.—revised. Chicago, Callaghan and company, 1872.

2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17½ cm. [124]
Collation: Vol. 1. lxix, 692 p. Vol. 2. 1 p. 1., v–xxix, 618 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

The first edition by Cooley, published in two volumes, Chicago, 1870, and the 1871 reprint of it, have not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. This 1872 edition, with copyright date 1872, is the first printing of the second edition; printed by Charles Van Benthuysen & sons, Albany, New York. Notes of the English editors, in most cases unsigned, are enclosed in brackets to distinguish them from notes of T. M. Cooley "Jay professor of law in the University of Michigan." Cooley's "Suggestions concerning the study of the law," vol. 1, p. [v]–xxxiii, reprinted from the first edition, and dated Sept., 1870, is followed by notes concerning the new edition, dated Jan. 1872. There were two different printings of vol. 1 in 1872. *See* no. 125.

This copy is imperfect: Vol. 1 lacks portrait of Blackstone, editor's dedication, and p. xv–xvi.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 124*] Chicago, Callaghan and company, 1872–1873. [125]

2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17½ cm.

Collation is the same as in no. 124.

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by Geo. E. Perine after Gainsborough. Plate reads "Engraved expressly for this work. Callaghan and company."

This reprint of Cooley's second edition has copyright date 1872. It is printed by Charles Van Benthuysen & sons, Albany, New York, from the plates of no. 124, with the exception of p. xvii–xxxii of vol. 1, in which the signatures are different. In first printing, preliminary matter in vol. 1 has signatures: (4 unsigned), 2–44, 51, E₈, G₄, H₆. Second printing has signatures: (4 unsigned), 24, B₈, 51, E₈, G₄, H₆.

Vol. 2 contains autograph of Samuel Rossiter Betts (Yale, B.A. 1875) a New York City patent lawyer, whose library of books relating to patents and trade-marks was presented to the Yale Law Library.

Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 124*] Chicago, Callaghan and company, 1876. [126]

2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17 cm.

For collation, *see* no. 124. Frontispiece in vol. 1 is the same as in no. 125. This reprint of Cooley's second edition, printed by Charles Van Benthuysen & sons, Albany, New York, is from the plates of no. 124, with the exception of p. [i]–lxix of vol. 1, in which the signatures are different. Copyright date 1872.

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[126.1] Commentaries ... [Title as in 100]
Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1874. 215. 6.00

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[126.7] Commentaries ... [Title as in 100]
Lippincott, Phila., 1876. 25. 8.00

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[129.1] Commentaries [Title as in no. 115]
Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott company, 1889
2 v. 25 1/2 cms. \$ 7.50

✓ Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 124*] Chicago, Callaghan and company, 1879. [127]

2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17½ cm.

For collation, *see* no. 124. Frontispiece in vol. 1 is the same as in no. 125. This reprint of Cooley's second edition, printed by Charles Van Benthuysen & sons, Albany, New York, is from the plates of no. 126. Copyright date 1872.

✓ Commentaries . . . together with a copious analysis of the contents. And notes with references to English and American decisions and statutes to date, which illustrate or change the law of the text; also, a full table of abbreviations, and some considerations regarding the study of the law. By Thomas M. Cooley . . . 3d ed.—revised. Chicago, Callaghan and company, 1884. [128]

2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 26 x 18 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l., v–cxv, 644, 66 p. Vol. 2. xxvii, 578, [67]–112, 579–629 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

This edition, stereotyped and printed at the Detroit free press printing house, has editor's preface dated August, 1883, and copyright date 1883, but no printing of the third edition earlier than 1884 has been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. Notes of English editors found in Cooley's earlier editions are discarded, and are replaced by Cooley's notes with references to American statutes and decisions.

Two features not found in preceding editions by Cooley are as follows: Editor's review of the recent progress of the law, Local government in Great Britain, The British colonial system, Local government in the United States, and The territories of the United States, precede appendix in vol. 2. "A translation, &c., &c.": 66 p. at end of vol. 1, and p. [67]–112 preceding index in vol. 2, is reprinted from J. W. Jones' *A Translation of All the Greek, Latin, Italian, and French Quotations Which Occur in Blackstone's Commentaries*. For Jones' *Translation* published as a separate work, *see* no. 59.

Vol. 1 imperfect, lacking portrait of Blackstone and editor's dedication leaf, p. [iii–iv].

✓ Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 115*] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co., 1885. [129]

2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 17½ cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 115. This impression of the Sharswood edition, stereotyped by L. Johnson & co., Philadelphia, is printed from the plates of no. 115. Copyright date 1859.

On title pages of the 1868, 1871, and 1872 impressions, Sharswood is

designated "Associate justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania"; on this 1885 impression his title is "Chief justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania."

Commentaries . . . From the author's 8th ed., 1778. Edited for American lawyers, by William G. Hammond . . . With copious notes, and references to all comments on the text in the American reports, 1787-1890. San Francisco, Bancroft-Whitney company, 1890. [130]

4 v. 2 portraits, 2 tables (1 folded) 15½ x 10½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. 1, iv, [iii]-xxxii, 847 p. Vol. 2. vii, 807 p. Vol. 3. v, 618 p. Vol. 4. v, 659 p. (Blackstone's paging, in heavy face type, inset in body of text.)

Frontispieces in vol. 1: Portrait of the editor with his facsimile autograph on the plate; facing it is a reproduction of the Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left (the 1777 Hall engraving). See notes to no. 12.

This edition by the "Dean of St. Louis Law School" has copyright date 1890. It is now out of print, the plates having been destroyed in the San Francisco fire of 1906. Hammond's footnotes include citations to American decisions, and give the variant readings of the text in editions of the *Commentaries* revised by Blackstone alone (*i.e.* the first eight editions) and Blackstone's manuscript revisions as published in Burn's ninth edition, 1783. "Notes of the American editor" are printed at the end of most chapters. Although the editor's preface states that this edition contains the author's text "exactly as Blackstone left it," Blackstone's appendixes to books III and IV are omitted.

Hammond's "Bibliography of the *Commentaries*," vol. 1, p. [xxi]-xxxvii, covers the English editions published 1765 to 1869, and American editions, 1771 to 1803. See also no. 136.

Commentaries . . . [Title as in no. 115] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott company, 1891. [131]

2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 26 x 17½ cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 115. This impression of the Sharswood edition, stereotyped by L. Johnson & co., Philadelphia, was printed from the plates of no. 115. Copyright date 1859.

Commentaries . . . with notes selected from the editions of Archbold, Christian, Coleridge, Chitty, Stewart, Kerr, and others; and in addition, notes and references to all text books and decisions wherein the Commentaries have been

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[1314] Commentaries on [title as in no. 100]
Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott's company,
1892.
25. 2 vols. \$8.00

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[1315] Commentaries on [title as in no. 115]
Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott's company,
1893.
25. 2 vols. \$8.00

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[1315] Commentaries on [title as in no. 115]
Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott's company, 1896.
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cited, and all statutes modifying the text. By William Draper Lewis . . . Philadelphia, Rees Welsh and company, 1897. *only to be found* [132]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 26 x 19 cm.
Collation: Vol. 1. xxxi, 467 p. Vol. 2. 1 p. l., 469-993 p. Vol. 3. 1 p. l., 997-1420 p. Vol. 4. 1 p. l., 1423-2021 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

Frontispiece in vol. 1: Portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by William Sartain after Gainsborough.

This is the first printing of the Lewis edition; it was printed by Avil printing co., Philadelphia. Copyright date 1897. The editor's preface, dated January 1, 1897, precedes his essay "The study of the law" in vol. 1. Notes taken from earlier editors are signed with name of editor; unsigned notes by Lewis "Dean of the Department of law of the University of Pennsylvania" include citations to American decisions. Foreign phrases in text and notes are translated into English.

Blackstone's *Analysis* replaces table of contents: book I-II in vol. 1, and book III-IV in vol. 3. Barron Field's *Analysis* precedes index in vol. 4. (For other reprints of Field's *Analysis*, see notes to no. 54.) Vol. 4 contains three lists, Textbooks, Statutes, and Cases "cited in the notes," which precede "Index to the foreign words and phrases in the text and notes."

Reprints from the plates of this edition were issued in 1898 and 1902. See no. 133 and 135.

✓ Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 132*] Philadelphia, Rees Welsh & company, 1898. [133]

4 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 26 x 19 cm.

Collation, and the frontispiece in vol. 1 are the same as in no. 132. This impression of the Lewis edition was printed by Avil printing co., Philadelphia, from the plates of no. 132. Copyright date 1897.

Commentaries . . . together with a copious analysis of the contents, and notes with references to English and American decisions and statutes which illustrate or change the law of the text; also, a full table of abbreviations, and some considerations regarding the study of the law. By Thomas M. Cooley. 4th ed. by James De Witt Andrews . . . Chicago, Callaghan and company, 1899. [134]

2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 25 x 17½ cm.
Collation: Vol. 1. cxv, 854 p. Vol. 2. xxix, 855-1727 p. (Blackstone's paging retained in margin.)

This edition, printed by State journal printing company, Madison, Wisconsin, has copyright date 1899. Andrews' preface is dated September, 1899. He has inserted in the text topical headings in heavy face type. Foreign phrases in the text and notes are followed by their translation. Cooley's notes are preserved intact, with Andrews' notes indicated by brackets. Barron Field's *Analysis* follows index in vol. 2. For other reprints of Field's *Analysis*, see notes to no. 54.

This copy lacks the portrait of Blackstone.

Notes
 Commentaries . . . [Title as in no. 132] Philadelphia, Rees
 Welsh & company, 1902. [135]
 4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 26 x 19 cm.

For collation, see no. 132. This impression of the Lewis edition was printed from the plates of no. 132. Copyright date 1897.

Commentaries . . . edited by William Carey Jones . . . San
 Francisco, Bancroft-Whitney company, 1915-1916. [136]
 2 v. portrait, 2 tables (1 folded) 23½ x 16 cm.
 Collation: Vol. 1. cxxiii, 1486 p. Vol. 2. lxxxi, 1487-2770 p. (Blackstone's
 paging retained in margin.)
 Frontispiece in vol. 1: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left.

This edition, printed by Filmer brothers electrotype company, San Francisco, has copyright date 1915 for vol. 1, 1916 for vol. 2. The editor, designated "Director of the School of jurisprudence, University of California" used Blackstone's text in the eighth Oxford edition, 1788, as prepared by W. G. Hammond for the latter's edition published in San Francisco, 1890. (See no. 130.) Hammond's citations to American cases are continued to 1915; a selection of Hammond's notes is included, together with notes prepared by Jones or by other persons for him, and extracts from published works of authorities in various fields of legal study. Jones says in his preface, "The source . . . is always stated." Blackstone's text is divided into sections, with topical headings in heavy face type. Foreign phrases are followed by their translation. Jones' essay "Concerning the *Commentaries*" in vol. 1 includes a biographical sketch of Blackstone. Vol. 2 includes a supplementary chapter "Conflict of laws" by Orrin Kip McMurray. Hammond's "Bibliography of the *Commentaries*" is reprinted in vol. 1, p. xxxi-xxxvi. (See no. 130.)

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20. ANTHON. An analytical abridgment of the Commentaries of Sir William Blackstone on the laws of England. In four books. Together with an analytical synopsis of each . . . By John Anthon . . . New-York, Printed and published by Isaac Riley, 1809. [137]

xx, 279 p. 4 folded tables. 21½ x 13½ cm.

This is the first edition by "John Anthon, counsellor at law." Copyrighted "on the twenty-second day of December, in the thirty-fourth year of the independence of the United States," *i.e.* 1809. According to Anthon's Advertisement, p. [iii] he follows the "analytical method" of Blackstone, as found in the latter's *Analysis of the Laws of England*.

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20. ANTHON. An analytical abridgment of the Commentaries of Sir William Blackstone on the laws of England. In four books. Together with an analytical synopsis of each book. To which is prefixed, an essay on the study of the law . . . By John Anthon. 2d ed. Philadelphia, P. H. Nicklin and T. Johnson, 1832. [138]

xvi, [17]-347 p. 4 folded tables. 22 x 14 cm.

Page 237 incorrectly numbered 347.

This second edition, copyrighted in 1832, was printed by Thomas Kite. According to the Advertisement, p. iv, it has "undergone a general revision." Anthon's "An essay on the study of the law," p. [17]-59, is a revised and expanded version of the essay which appeared as introduction in his collection of *nisi prius* reports, *Law of Nisi Prius*, New York, 1820.

BEEBEE. An analysis of Mr. Anthon's abridgment and synopsis of Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England. By Pierre Ogilvie Beebee . . . New York, Printed for the author, MDCCCXXXVII. [139]

xxiv, [25]-232 p. 22 x 14½ cm.

Page 111 incorrectly numbered 101.

This *Analysis*, copyrighted in 1837, and printed by W. J. Spence, consists of questions based on Anthon's *Analytical Abridgment of the Commentaries, Second Edition*. (See no. 138.) The numeral over each question refers to a numbered section in Anthon's work, which supplies the answer. Beebee is designated on title page "attorney, solicitor, proctor, and counsellor at law."

BLICKENSDEFER. Review of the most material parts of Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England. [140] (In *A Review of Legal Studies . . . By Ulric Blickensderfer . . .* Chicago, E. B. Myers, 1877. 2 v. 15½ x 11 cm.)

Vol. 1, p. 8-255 contain the Blackstone abridgment, with "Index to Blackstone" on p. 405-416. According to the preface, p. 4, "Care has been taken to preserve the very language of Blackstone."

BLICKENSDEFER. Blickensderfer's Blackstone's elements of law, etc., with analytical charts, tables and legal definitions, arranged and displayed by a systematic and attractive method. By U. Blickensderfer . . . Chicago, Ill., Ulric Blickensderfer, publisher, 1889. [141] 356 p. 24 x 16 cm.

This abridgment by Ulric Blickensderfer, "attorney at law," with copyright date 1889, was printed by Weed, Parsons and company, Albany, New York. The material is grouped in short paragraphs, with topical headings in boldface type, and with references to Blackstone's paging. According to the preface dated January, 1889, "Care has . . . been taken to preserve the very language of Blackstone . . . When . . . matter from other sources is added, it has been enclosed in brackets."

BRACKENRIDGE. Notes on Blackstone's Commentaries [books I-IV] pointing out variations in the law of Pennsylvania from the common and statute law of England, with other matters of a general nature. [First series] and Notes on Blackstone's Commentaries, &c. [books I-IV] Second series. [142]

(In *Law Miscellanies . . . By Hugh Henry Brackenridge . . .* Philadelphia, P. Byrne, 1814. 4 p. l., xxvi, [27]-588 p. 23 x 15 cm.)

This work was copyrighted December 14, 1813; Alexander & Phillips, printers, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Brackenridge, "a judge of the Supreme Court of the state of Pennsylvania," had planned to prepare an edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries* to be called *The Pennsylvania Blackstone*, which

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was to contain notes in the manner of St. George Tucker's notes to his Virginia edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*; having given up that plan, he included his notes for such an edition in this volume of *Law Miscellanies*.

"Introduction to what might be called *The Pennsylvania Blackstone*": p. [vii]–xxvi; "Notes," first series: p. [76]–248; "Notes," second series: p. [395]–507. At head of each note is a quotation from Blackstone's *Commentaries*, with citations to book and page.

BREWSTER. Blackstone's *Commentaries* for American students in the form of questions and answers, prefaced by questions and answers on the introduction to Robertson's Charles V. Together with a note on the rule in Shelley's case as applied in Pennsylvania. By F. Carroll Brewster . . . Philadelphia [Printed by Allen, Lane & Scott] 1887. [143]
3 p. l. [3]–267 p. 24 x 15½ cm.

This work by Frederick Carroll Brewster "LL.D." has copyright date 1886; no earlier printing than 1887 is listed by Soule. In his preface dated December 15th, 1886, Brewster says, "This volume may be more properly regarded as the work of my students than the product of my own labor." References to Blackstone's paging are included. "The rule in Shelley's case" (questions and answers) and "A summary of cases decided in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania involving the rule in Shelley's case," p. [226]–257, are by Alfred Guilloû. Robertson's work, mentioned on title page, is *The History of the Reign of the Emperor Charles V*.

✓ BROWNE. *Commentaries on the laws of England*, by Sir William Blackstone . . . In one volume, together with a copious glossary of legal terms employed; also, biographical sketches of writers referred to; and a chart of descent of English sovereigns, edited by Wm. Hardcastle Browne . . . New York, L. K. Strouse & co., 1892. [144]
xv, 808 p. 24½ x 16½ cm.

This work by Browne, "A.M., of the Philadelphia bar" has copyright date 1892. Alterations in the law are briefly indicated. "English sovereigns. Chart of descent" covering the period 827–1837, and list of "Royal houses": p. [xiv]–xv. "Biography of lawgivers and writers referred to by Blackstone," p. [749]–754, precedes "Glossary."

This copy contains Browne's manuscript letter to Simeon Eben Baldwin, Connecticut jurist and Governor, concerning this presentation copy, and a copy of Baldwin's reply to Browne.

BROWNE. Commentaries . . . [Title as in no. 144] St. Paul,
West publishing co., 1897. [145]
xv, 808 p. 24 x 16½ cm.

This reprint of no. 144 has copyright date 1892.

CHASE. The American students' Blackstone. Commentaries
on the laws of England; in four books, by Sir William Black-
stone . . . so abridged as to retain all portions of the original
work which are of historical or practical value, with notes,
and references to American decisions; for the use of Ameri-
can students. By George Chase . . . New York, Albany,
Banks & brothers, 1877. [146]
xx, 1069 p. 24½ x 17 cm.

The Library of Congress has a printed card for what appears to be the first edition, published in two volumes paged continuously; vol. 1, New York, Cockcroft & company, 1876, and vol. 2, New York, Albany, Banks & brothers, 1877; the title reads: *The American Students' Blackstone. Commentaries on the Laws of England; in Four Books, by Sir William Blackstone . . . Abridged and Annotated, for the Use of American Students, by George Chase.*

The 1877 edition is the first published in one volume. Verso of title page lists two copyright dates, 1876 and 1877. Chase is designated on title page "LL.B., assistant professor of municipal law in the Law School of Columbia College." According to the editor's preface dated October, 1877, subjects insufficiently developed in the original work are discussed in the footnotes. "The text is in Blackstone's own language, no changes having been made, except to make omissions of chapters or passages. The only exception to this is in the chapter on bankruptcy . . . where the . . . statutes now in force have been stated." A few notes retained from English editions are indicated by name of the editor, or by being enclosed in brackets. Blackstone's notes are indicated by letters. "For the other notes the editor himself is responsible." Blackstone's paging is retained in the margin of books I-II; numbering of original chapters is prefixed at head of each chapter of the entire abridgment. "Table of consanguinity," p. [379].

This copy lacks p. 15-16.

CHASE. The American students' Blackstone . . . [Title as in
no. 146] New York, Albany, Banks & brothers, 1882. [147]
xx, 1069 p. 24½ x 17 cm.

This impression, which lists only one copyright date, 1877, is printed from the plates of no. 146.

145.1 [Eruke, Treadwell]. student
manual for the study of Blackstone, consisting
of questions and answers. --- by a committee of the Board of
192. St. Louis, C.B. Woodrum & Co., 1891. 60p.

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vol 2 only found Feb 15, 1951

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CHASE. The American students' Blackstone . . . 2d ed. New York, Albany, Banks & brothers, 1884. [148]
2 p. l. [iii]-xx, 1118 p. 24½ x 17 cm. L. C. 14-2726.

For title, *see* no. 146. Copyright date 1884. According to Chase's "Note to second edition" dated January, 1884, to this edition have been added several appendixes, and a new and much fuller index; changes have been made in the notes, and additional cases have been cited. The appendixes include a Glossary of technical terms, A table of English regnal years, and Abbreviations used in citing English, American, etc. reports.

With this copy is bound an extract from *Harvard Law Review*, vol. 32, no. 8, containing Blackstone's letter to Mr. Seymour Richmond, a solicitor of Sparsholt, Berkshire. This letter, dated Jan. 28, 1745, describes Blackstone's method of study. It was printed in full in *Legal Observer*, vol. 1, no. 1, p. 11-12. The original letter was presented to Harvard Law School by the Earl of Reading.

CHASE. The American students' Blackstone . . . 2d ed. New York, Albany, Banks & brothers, 1888. [149]
2 p. l. [iii]-xx, 1118 p. 24 x 17 cm.

For title, *see* no. 146. This impression, with copyright date 1884, is printed from the plates of no. 148. Text and pagination blurred on many pages.

CHASE. The American students' Blackstone. . . 3d ed. New York, Albany, Banks & brothers, 1890. [150]
2 p. l. [iii]-xx, 1148 p. 24 x 17 cm.

For title, *see* no. 146. Copyright date 1890. "Note to third edition" dated October, 1890, states: "An additional appendix has been inserted, containing a translation of the Latin, French, and other foreign expressions used by Blackstone. Important additions have also been made to the other appendixes. The notes . . . have been brought down to date by necessary changes and the citation of recent cases."

CHASE. The American students' Blackstone . . . 3d ed. New York, Albany, Banks & brothers, 1892. [151]
2 p. l. [iii]-xx, 1148 p. 24 x 16 cm.

For title, *see* no. 146. This impression, with copyright date 1890, is printed from the plates of no. 150.

CHASE. The American students' Blackstone . . . 3d ed. New York, Albany, Banks & brothers, 1894. [152]
2 p. l. [iii]-xx, 1148 p. 24 x 16 cm.

For title, *see* no. 146. This impression, with copyright date 1890, is printed from the plates of no. 150.

CHASE. The American students' Blackstone . . . 3d ed. Albany, N.Y., Banks & company, 1900. [153]
2 p. l. [iii]-xx, 1148 p. 24 x 16 cm.

For title, *see* no. 146. This impression, with copyright date 1890, is printed from the plates of no. 150.

CHASE. The American students' Blackstone . . . 4th ed. New York, Banks law publishing co., 1914. [154]
2 p. l. [iii]-xxi, 1148 p. 24 x 16½ cm.

For title, *see* no. 146. Copyright date 1914. "Note to fourth edition" dated October, 1914, states: "The notes are brought down to date by incorporating the recent statutory changes in the law and by the citation of a large number of valuable recent decisions." The appendixes and index duplicate those in the third edition.

CHRISTIAN. Notes to Blackstone's Commentaries. *See* no. 85-86.

DEVEREUX. The most material parts of Blackstone's Commentaries, reduced to questions and answers. By John C. Devereux . . . Upon the plan and in place of Kinne's Blackstone. New York, Lewis & Blood, 1858. [155]
xxii, 392 p. 23 x 15½ cm.

This abridgment by Devereux "counsellor at law," has copyright date 1858; it was stereotyped by T. B. Smith & son, and printed by J. W. Amerman, New York. Preface dated August, 1858, has note at end which states: "The twenty-first English edition of the *Commentaries*, in four volumes, was used in the preparation of this work." (The edition referred to is the Wendell edition, reprinted several times in New York.) Sections and chapters omitted from the unabridged Blackstone's *Commentaries* are marked with a star in table of contents in this abridgment. Numbers following each question refer to Blackstone's paging. This copy is printed on heavy paper.

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[152.1] Chase. The American Student's
Classifications. 3d. ed. New York, Albany,
Banks & Gooden, 1891.
1 p. l., xvii, 1148 p.

[153.1] Chase. The American Student's
Classifications. 3d. ed. Albany, Banks
& Co. 1908. 1148 p.

X [154.1] Chase. The American Student's
Classifications. 4th ed. N. Y., Banks Pub. Co., 1928, xxi, 1148 p.
[154.1] Chase. The American Student's
Classifications. 4th ed. New York, Albany,
Banks & Gooden, 1928.
1 p. l., xxi, 1148 p.

X [155.1] Lawrence. The most material parts of
Blount's Commentaries [title as in no. 153]
... New York, Banks & Gooden, 1857.
xxii, 372 p. 23 cm.

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DEVEREUX. The most material parts of Blackstone's Commentaries . . . [*Title as in no. 155*] New York, Lewis & Blood, 1861. [156]

xxii, 392 p. 23 x 14½ cm.

This impression, stereotyped by T. B. Smith & son, and printed by J. W. Amerman, New York, is from the plates of no. 155. Copyright date 1858. Printing is blurred in some portions of text.

DEVEREUX. The most material parts of Blackstone's Commentaries . . . New ed. New York, Baker, Voorhis & co. (successors to John S. Voorhies) 1873. [157]

xxii p., 1 l., 392 p. 24 x 15½ cm.

For title, *see* no. 155. This impression, with copyright date 1858, is from the plates of no. 155, with one leaf (half-title, which is not in the 1858 edition) following p. xxii. Printing is blurred in some portions of text.

DEVEREUX. The most material parts of Blackstone's Commentaries . . . New ed. Revised and corrected by a member of the New York bar. New York, Baker, Voorhis & co., 1886. [158]

xxii p., 1 l., 392 p. 24 x 15½ cm.

For title, *see* no. 155. Verso of title page lists two copyright dates, 1858 and 1875. This "corrected" edition by an unidentified editor, is for the most part a new impression from the plates of no. 155, with some pages printed from new plates.

X DEVEREUX. The most material parts of Blackstone's Commentaries . . . New ed. Revised and corrected by a member of the New York bar. New York, Baker, Voorhis & co., 1891. [159]

xxii p., 1 l., 392 p. 24 x 16 cm.

For title, *see* no. 155. This impression, with copyright date 1875, is from the plates of no. 158.

X DICKSON. An analysis of Blackstone's Commentaries. By Frederick S. Dickson . . . Philadelphia, Rees Welsh [1872?] [160]

98 p. 30 x 24 cm.

This analysis in the form of charts, by Frederick Stoeber Dickson "of West Chester, Pa." has copyright date 1872 and preface dated Jan., 1872. Dickson (Yale, Ph.B. 1871) was a member of the Pennsylvania bar.

"Index to chapters," p. 4, precedes charts, p. 5-93, which are printed on

recto only; p. 19 is folded. Book and chapter citations to Blackstone's *Commentaries* appear at head of each printed leaf. "Index to subjects," p. 95-98.

Allibone's *Dictionary of English Literature* lists a Philadelphia, 1873 edition (reprint?), and the 1876 *American Catalogue* lists a second edition, Philadelphia, without date.

DUNLAP. Commentaries on the laws of England, by Blackstone. Abridged. [161]

(In *Abridgment of Elementary Law . . . By M. E. Dunlap . . .* St. Louis, Soule, Thomas & Wentworth, 1876. 425 p. 24 x 16 cm.)

Pages [9]-116 contain the Blackstone abridgment, preceded by a biographical note on Blackstone, p. [8]. This is the first edition, by "M. E. Dunlap, counsellor at law"; copyrighted 1876.

DUNLAP. Commentaries on the laws of England, by Blackstone. Abridged. [162]

(In *Abridgment of Elementary Law . . . By M. E. Dunlap . . . Revised by T. F. Chaplin. Third edition.* St. Louis, F. H. Thomas law book co., 1905. v, 600 p. 23 x 15 cm.)

Pages [7]-145 contain the Blackstone abridgment, preceded by a biographical note on Blackstone, p. [6]. Although the first edition was copyrighted and published in 1876, this third edition lists three copyright dates, 1877, 1892, and 1905. (The 1877 copyright date appears to be an error.) Chaplin's notes relating to changes in the law of real property are incorporated in the text of book II of the Blackstone abridgment section of the work.

ELLIS. . . . Blackstone quizzer B. . . . Being questions and answers on book 2 of Blackstone's Commentaries, for students preparing for examination for admission to the bar, or for advanced standing in law schools, or for review in connection with text books and lectures. 3d ed. By Griffith Ogden Ellis . . . Detroit, Mich., Collector publishing co. [1896?] [163]

2 p. l., 46 p. 22 x 14½ cm.

"The quizzer series" appears at head of title page, on which Ellis is designated "LL.B., instructor in the Sprague Correspondence School of Law." Copyright date 1896. Book II of Blackstone, covered by this Quizzer, is "Of the rights of things."

ELLIS. . . . Blackstone quizzer C. . . . Being questions and answers on book 3 of Blackstone's Commentaries, for stu-

dents preparing for examination for admission to the bar, or for advanced standing in law schools, or for review in connection with text-books and lectures. 3d ed. By Griffith Ogden Ellis . . . Detroit, Mich., Collector publishing co. [1897?] [164]
2 p. l., 36 p. 22 x 14½ cm.

“The quizzer series” appears at head of title page. Copyright date 1897. Book III of Blackstone, covered by this Quizzer, is “Of private wrongs.” For *Blackstone Quizzer D.*, see no. 176.

EWELL. Blackstone’s Commentaries. For the use of students at law and the general reader; obsolete and unimportant matter being eliminated. By Marshall D. Ewell . . . Boston, Soule and Bugbee, 1882. [165]
xii, 611 p. 17½ x 11½ cm.

First edition; copyrighted 1882. Half-title page reads: “Essentials of the law.” This abridgment forms vol. 1 of Marshall Davis Ewell’s *Essentials of the Law*, published in three volumes, Boston, 1882. Ewell is designated on title page “LL.D., professor in the Union College of Law, Chicago, etc.” Printed at the University press, John Wilson and son, Cambridge.

In the editor’s preface dated May 29, 1882, he states that obsolete matter is eliminated or marked “obsolete,” leading principles are in heavy type, the more important parts of the text are in brier, while matter of minor importance is printed in nonpareil; matter entirely new is bracketed. Notes of Blackstone and of previous editors are omitted. Page references to the *Commentaries* are included.

EWELL. . . . A review of Blackstone’s Commentaries, for the use of students at law. By Marshall D. Ewell . . . Boston, Boston book company, 1889. [166]
xii, 611 p. 17½ x 12½ cm.

“Essentials of the law. Vol. I.” appears at head of title page. This abridgment, which forms vol. 1 of Ewell’s *Essentials of the Law*, published in three volumes, Boston, 1889, has copyright date 1882. It is a reprint of the abridgment which was first published in Boston, 1882, with title *Blackstone’s Commentaries. For the Use of Students at Law and the General Reader*. See no. 165.

EWELL. . . . A review of Blackstone’s Commentaries with explanatory notes for the use of students at law. 2d ed. By

Marshall D. Ewell . . . Albany, N.Y., Matthew Bender & company, incorporated, 1915. [167]
xvi, 867 p. 24 x 16½ cm.

"Essentials of the law in two volumes. Vol. 1, Blackstone. Vol. 2, Elementary law" appears at head of title page. This edition contains "Preface to second edition" dated January, 1915, and "Preface to first edition" dated May 29, 1882. (*See no. 165.*) "Bibliographical note," p. ix-x; "A table of English regnal years," p. xi. Appendixes to books II-IV, p. 803-839, contain "a collection of old precedents" reprinted from the original Blackstone appendixes.

FIELD. An analysis of Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, in a series of questions, to which the student is to frame his own answers, by reading that work. By Barron Field . . . 1st American from the 2d London ed. New-York, Stephen Gould, 1822. [168]
ix, [1], [3]-286 p. 22 x 13½ cm.
Page 183 incorrectly numbered 188.

The preface and dedication are dated as in the second London edition, 1817. *See no. 54.*

JONES, JOHN WINTER. A translation of all the Greek, Latin, Italian, and French quotations which occur in Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England; and also in the notes of the editions by Christian, Archbold, and Williams. By J. W. Jones . . . Philadelphia, T. & J. W. Johnson & co., 1889. *L.S. 1889-1891 2165* [169]
2 p. l., 129 p. 24 x 15 cm.

This is a reprint of the first edition which was published in London, 1823. (*See no. 59.*) Other American reprints, 1885, and 1905, have not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. Jones' *Translation* is included in Cooley's third edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, 1884. *See no. 128.*

JONES, WILLIAM CAREY. Selections from Blackstone [by] Jones. [San Francisco, Bancroft-Whitney company, 1916?] [170]
199-247, 579-701, 705-773, 849-972, 1029-1179, 1213-1264, 1443-1486 p.
25 x 17 cm.

These selections have no title page; title is from binding. This is a reprint of selected passages from vol. 1 of William Carey Jones' edition of Black-

[169] See no. 51, 188, 189

[169.1] Title as in [168]. Philadelphia,
Silas Nelson Lacy, 121 S. Second St.
1888. 26.

Manning, John

Constitution of the first four of Black. 1771. By
John Manning in Chapel Hill, N. C., The University
Press, 1971. 750

1771, 200 p. 1.6.

[1771]

stone's *Commentaries*, which was published in two volumes, San Francisco, 1915-1916. The selections are taken from books I-II of Blackstone. The complete index, p. 1443-1486 of that 1915-1916 edition, is reprinted with these selections. Some pages which contain text in the original Jones' edition, have blank pages in this reprint. W. G. Hammond's notes are included. The list of titles printed on front cover is not a complete list of the selections in this volume.

X KINNE. The most important parts of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, reduced to questions and answers. By Asa Kinne. 2d ed. New York, W. E. Dean [etc.]; Philadelphia, Thomas, Cowperthwaite & co., 1839. [171]
266 p. 22½ x 14½ cm.

The first edition, copyrighted in 1835, has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. This second edition, which also has copyright date 1835, is revised and enlarged; the compiler has "extended many of the answers beyond their former limits" and has "compiled and inserted in their proper places, more than five hundred questions and answers, not in the former edition . . . Also . . . there is affixed an index to principal matters." This information appears in "Preface to the second edition" which follows "Preface to the first edition." Both prefaces are without date. Numbers following each question refer to Blackstone's paging. Following general index is an "Index to Greek, Latin, French, Italian and Saxon phrases, used in this work, with translations in English." Pages 263-266 of this index are lacking in this copy.

X KINNE. The most important parts of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, reduced to questions and answers. By Asa Kinne. 4th ed. New York, Gould, Banks, & co. [etc.]; Philadelphia, Thomas, Cowperthwaite, & co., 1843. [172]
vi, [2], [9]-266 p. 23 x 14½ cm.

This fourth edition, with copyright date 1843, lists three previous copyright dates, 1835 (first edition), 1835 (second edition) and 1842 (third edition). Prefaces to the first, second, and third editions are included. "A chapter on the criminal code of the United States" noted in "Preface to the third edition" is omitted in this fourth edition.

The fourth edition is a reprint of the text of the second edition, 1839; two additional paragraphs appended to "Preface to the first edition" in this 1843 edition are not in that preface in the 1839 edition, and probably were not in the first edition. One of these paragraphs was apparently added to answer the criticism that "The questions . . . [in Kinne's work] are an almost literal transcript from Field's *Analysis of Blackstone's Commentaries*, to which Mr. Kinne has affixed answers." This criticism appeared in *American Jurist*, vol. 21, p. 486, July, 1839.

SPRAGUE. Abridgment of Blackstone's Commentaries, by William C. Sprague . . . 2d ed. Detroit, Mich., 1893. [173] viii, 533 p. 20½ x 15 cm.

The first edition, copyrighted in 1892, has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. This second edition, with copyright date 1893, was printed at the Courier office, Ann Arbor, Michigan. According to "Preface to the second edition" it "embraces substantially the matter contained in the first edition with some revision." The compiler, William Cyrus Sprague, designated on title page "A.B., LL.B., president of the Sprague Correspondence School of Law," states that the abridgment was prepared primarily for the use of students of that school. Synopses (charts) are included in paging. Numbered sections and chapters refer to Blackstone's paging. "Life of Sir William Blackstone," p. [v]-vi. Pages [509]-520 preceding index include: Translation of Latin words and phrases occurring in this abridgment, Dates of leading events in the history of English law, and Bibliography of the *Commentaries*.

SPRAGUE. Abridgment of Blackstone's Commentaries, by William C. Sprague . . . 7th ed. Detroit, Mich. [Richmond & Backus co., printers] 1904. [174] viii, 544, [2] p., 1 l. [6] p. 20½ x 15 cm.

This edition, with copyright date 1899, lists four previous copyrights, 1892, 1893, 1895, and 1897.

SPRAGUE. Blackstone's Commentaries abridged, by William C. Sprague . . . 9th ed. Chicago, Callaghan and company, 1915. [175] viii, 544, [2] p., 1 l. [6] p. 23 x 15½ cm.

This edition, with copyright date 1899, lists four previous copyright dates, 1892, 1893, 1895, and 1897. The second, seventh, and ninth editions have the same arrangement and special features. *See* no. 173-174.

SPRAGUE. . . . Blackstone quizzer D. . . . Being questions and answers on book 4 of Blackstone's Commentaries, for students preparing for examination for admission to the bar, or for advanced standing in law schools, or for review in connection with text books and lectures. 4th ed. By Wm. C. Sprague . . . Detroit, Mich., Collector publishing co. [1897?] 2 p. l., 30 p. 22 x 15 cm. [176]

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1874. 12 Sprague. Abridgment of Blackstone's
Commentaries by William C. Sprague. 8th
Ed. Little, Field, & American Printing Co. N.Y.
1907.

viii, 200, p. 200.
contains 1 page Bibliography of the Commentaries

"The quizzer series" appears at head of title page. Copyright date 1897. Book IV of Blackstone, covered by this Quizzer, is "Public wrongs." The compiler of this Quizzer also prepared an *Abridgment of Blackstone's Commentaries* (all four books). See no. 173-175.

For *Blackstone Quizzer B.* and *Quizzer C.*, see no. 163-164.

✓ TUCKER. Notes on Blackstone's Commentaries, for the use of students . . . Winchester [Va.] Printed by Samuel H. Davis, 1826. [177]

iv, [7]-14, 2, 426 [i.e. 571] p. 22½ x 14½ cm. *2.2 copy in volume*

This "unfinished work" copyrighted January 3, 1826 by Henry St. George Tucker, whose name as author appears only in the statement of copyright on verso of title page, comprises notes on Blackstone's *Commentaries*, books I-III. These notes include "the provisions of the statutes of Virginia and of the . . . United States." They contain "a considerable portion of a course of lectures delivered by the author to a class of law students." (Tucker conducted a private law school at Winchester, Virginia.) These *Notes* are based on the work edited by his father, St. George Tucker's edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, published in 1803. (See no. 87.) Tucker's separately paged appendixes in that edition of the *Commentaries*, containing "a connected view of the laws of Virginia" are also annotated by the writer of these *Notes*. Text of the notes has various paging; the page numbers are taken from Blackstone's paging.

✓ WALSH. . . . Questions and answers on Blackstone; designed for use of law students, whether in office, law or correspondence schools; placing in the hands of the student work actually required by the leading law schools; containing questions with the answers which would be required for admission to the bar of any state and by any law school in the United States. By C. C. Walsh. Chicago, Callaghan & company [1922?] [178]

cover-title, 245-406 p. 20½ x 14 cm.

"The quizzer no. 1" appears at head of title page. Caption title reads: "Questions and answers in Blackstone as taught in Law School of the University of Michigan by Prof. Jerome C. Knowlton." This Quizzer, arranged in sixteen lessons, covers selected chapters of books I-III of Blackstone's *Commentaries*. Charles Clinton Walsh was a law student in the University of Michigan when this compilation was made. His *Student's Quiz Books*, in fifteen volumes, were originally published in Chicago, 1893-1896. Approximate date of publication of this reprint is supplied from a publisher's advertisement on recto of back cover.

V

THE COMMENTARIES—FOREIGN
EDITIONS, ABRIDGMENTS,
AND EXTRACTS

French

- X Commentaires sur les loix angloises, de M. Blackstone, tr.
de l'anglois par M. D. G***. Sur la 4. éd. d'Oxford . . .
Bruxelles, J. L. de Boubers, 1774-1776. [179]
- 6 v. 2 folded tables. 21 x 13 cm.
- Imprint dates:* Vol. 1-3. MDCCLXXIV. Vol. 4. MDCCLXXV. Vol. 5-6.
MDCCLXXVI.
- Collation:* Vol. 1. 3 p. l., 489 [*i.e.* 491] p. Vol. 2. 2 p. l., 486, [2] p. Vol. 3.
2 p. l., 473 p. Vol. 4. 2 p. l., 437 p. Vol. 5. 2 p. l., 512 p. Vol. 6. 2 p. l.,
500 p.
- Vol. 5, p. 186 incorrectly numbered 286.
- Tables in vol. 3: "Table de consanguinité" and "Table de descendance."
"Fautes a corriger. Tome I [-II]": [2] p. at end of vol. 2.

Translated from the Oxford edition of 1770, by August Pierre Damiens de Gomicourt, whose name does not appear in the volumes. This work contains the four books of Blackstone; the author's numbering of chapters is retained except chapters IX-XVIII of book I, which appear in vol. 2 of the translation incorrectly numbered I-X. The translator has disregarded Blackstone's paragraph divisions, omitted the appendixes, the index, and most of Blackstone's notes. A few notes added by the translator are not distinguished from those of the author. A. G. Camus in *Bibliothèque Choisie des Livres de Droit*, notes this translation "qui n'est ni exacte ni française."

Irregularities in vol. 1: Pages 199-200 (signature N_{iv}) are followed by reprinted p. 199-200 (signature N_{iv}) on p. 199 of which text is revised. Pages 449-464 (signatures Ff_{i-viii}) are incorrectly printed in this order: 449, 454-455, 452-453, 450-451, 456-457, 462-463, 460-461, 458-459, 464, but pagination gives correct order of the text.

Yale University Library has a copy of this edition which differs from the Yale Law Library copy. Collation differs because table of contents is bound at end (in vol. 1-4) instead of preceding text as in Law Library copy. In vol. 1 the incorrect order of printing of p. 449-464 is corrected; the additional sig-

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Journal sur la codécision
de l'Assemblée, Thémis de l'Assemblée,
de l'Assemblée, Thémis de l'Assemblée,
M. J. Abbé, Thémis de l'Assemblée,
MO 22 LXXXVI (17 X 18 CM)

250.
1886

24.
collation. Vol. 1, 228 p.

Vol. 2, 228 p. [27]
André Bédier & Peignot
Paris

nature N_{iv} (reprinted to correct text in Law Library copy) is not in this copy. Vol. 4 has a different style of title page from the vol. 4 in Law Library; the three stars after "M. D. G." and the title vignette differ, the style of title page in this volume being the same as that in vol. 1 of both copies.

Commentaire sur le code criminel d'Angleterre, tr. de l'anglais,
de Guillaume Blackstone . . . par M. l'abbé Coyer . . . Paris,
Knapen, M.DCC.LXXVI. [180]

2 v. in 1. 20½ x 13 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xiv, 264 p. Vol. 2. 1 p. 1., 252, [2] p., 1 l.

This is a translation of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, book IV, "Of public wrongs." Blackstone's appendix to book IV and the index are omitted. The translator, Gabriel François Coyer, is designated on title pages "l'abbé Coyer, des Académies de Nancy, de Rome & de Londres." In the footnotes, Coyer's notes are marked with the letter "T" to distinguish them from Blackstone's notes. Below imprint date on title pages is printed "Avec approbation & privilège du roi." The last three pages of vol. 2 consist of "Approbation" and "Privilège du roi."

Des lois de police et criminelles de l'Angleterre: des divers
modes d'y instruire les procès des prévenus; et spécialement,
de l'institution du jury en matière criminelle: ouvrage tr.
de l'anglais de Blackstone, avec des notes, par Ludot . . . Paris,
Hacquart, 1801. [181]

viii, 448 p., 1 l. 20 x 13 cm.

Page 374 incorrectly numbered 474.

The translator, Antoine Nicolas Ludot, is designated on title page "membre du Tribunal." This extract comprises chapters 18-33 of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, book IV, which relate to criminal procedure. Blackstone's notes to these chapters are omitted; footnotes by the translator, with notes taken from other sections in Blackstone to explain the text to French readers, are included. Note printed on verso of half-title page "Tout exemplaire non signé de l'auteur, sera contrefait" is signed "Ludot." Translator's "Conclusion," p. [443]-446, is followed by "Table des matières" and one leaf of "Errata."

"Notice sur les motifs et l'objet de cette traduction" lists on p. vii-viii three translations of Blackstone's *Commentaries*: the translation by De Gomicourt (*see* no. 179), the Coyer translation of book IV (*see* no. 180) and "une troisième imprimée chez Maradan en 1790 . . . La troisième est inférieure aux deux autres." The compiler of this *Catalogue* has not seen the third translation listed by Ludot.

Commentaires sur les lois anglaises, par W. Blackstone, avec des notes de M. Ed. Christian; tr. de l'anglais sur la 15. éd., par N. M. Chompré . . . Paris, Bossange, père, Rey et Gravier, Aillaud, 1822-1823. [182]

6 v. 21½ x 14 cm.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1-2. MDCCCXXII. Vol. 3-6. MDCCCXXIII.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxi, [1], 622 p., 1 l. Vol. 2. 2 p. l., 636 p., 1 l. Vol. 3. 2 p. l., 594, xxviii, [2] p., 1 l. Vol. 4. 2 p. l., 579, [v]-vi p., 1 l. Vol. 5. 2 p. l., 554, [v]-vi p., 1 l. Vol. 6. 2 p. l., 410, liv, 117, [v]-vi p., 1 l.

Vol. 3, p. 294 numbered 394.

List of "Errata" on leaf at end of each volume.

This translation by Nicolas Maurice Chompré "ancien conseiller au Conseil des Prises," from the London edition of 1809, contains the four books and the three appendixes of that edition; vol. 3 contains the appendix to book II, vol. 6, the appendixes to books III and IV. The two tables found in book II of the English edition are omitted. "Table générale" in vol. 6 combines in one index the two indexes found in the English edition. Notes of Christian are signed "Chr." and notes by the translator "T" to distinguish them from Blackstone's notes. "Explication sommaire de diverses expressions anglaises ou françaises employées dans cette traduction," vol. 1, p. [xxi]-xxxii.

German

W. Blackstone's Handbuch des Englischen Rechts, im Auszuge und mit Hinzufügung der neueren Gesetze und Entscheidungen von John Gifford, Esq. Aus dem Englischen von H. F. C. v. Colditz . . . Mit einer Vorrede begleitet von Dr. N. Falck . . . Schleswig, Gedruckt und verlegt im Königlich-Taubstummen-Institut, 1822-1823. [183]

2 v. 21 x 12½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. lxii, [2], 540 p. Vol. 2. xxiii, 544, [38] p.

Vol. 1, p. 85 incorrectly numbered 75.

In this translation by Colditz "Königl. Dänischem Landvogt," of Gifford's abridgment of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, London, 1820, some of Gifford's notes are retained, with many additional notes by the translator. Each volume contains "Vorrede" by Niels Nikolaus Falck "Professor des Rechts in Kiel"; that in vol. 1 is dated 1822, and that in vol. 2, 1823. The appendix of the English work is omitted in the translation, being replaced by "Anhang" in each volume containing forms translated from an unabridged edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*.

For the London edition from which this translation was made, *see* no. 56.

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Recherches sur les coupes
et les procédures criminelles
d'Angleterre. Extraites des
Commentaires de Blackstone,
-- Paris, Maradan, 1790

Italian

Comentario sul codice criminale d'Inghilterra di Guglielmo Blackstone. Prima versione italiana . . . Milano, Tipografia Buccinelli, 1813. [184]

2 v. in 1. 20 x 13½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l. [v]-xxx, 351, [1] p. Vol. 2. 1 p. l. [5]-327 p.

Published as vol. 1-2 in the series "Raccolta dei classici criminalisti"; the name of the series appears on p. vii of the dedication which is signed by Antonio Ascona, and on p. xix of "Prefazione del traduttore." This is a translation by Antonio Ascona, of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, book IV, "Of public wrongs." Vol. 1 of the translation covers chapters 1-17 of Blackstone's text, with "Indice" and "Errori" at end. Vol. 2 covers chapters 18-33 of Blackstone's text, with "Indice" at end. Some of Blackstone's notes are retained, with additional footnotes by Ascona. Blackstone's appendix to book IV is omitted.

VI
THE COMMENTARIES—THE COMIC
BLACKSTONE

English and American Editions

The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett . . . London, Published at the Punch office, 1844-1846. [185]
2 v. frontispiece, illustrations. 17½ x 11½ cm.
Collation: Vol. 1. viii, 92 p. Vol. 2. xii p., 1 l. [95]-252 p.

This is the first edition in which all illustrations are by George Cruikshank. It is the original issue in parts, described in A. M. Cohn's *Bibliographical Catalogue of Works Illustrated by George Cruikshank*. Information concerning an edition apparently published prior to this edition appears in A. W. à Beckett's *The à Becketts of "Punch."* 1903; the author states: "Gilbert Abbott à Beckett published *The Comic Blackstone* in 1844 . . . Much of the matter if not the whole, of this book appeared in the pages of the *London Charivari* [*i.e. Punch, or the London Charivari*]. It had but two illustrations—one by George Cruikshank, and the other by John Leech."

The present edition, in original boards, has the Cruikshank woodcut "Bill of costs" signed "G C K" on cover of each volume. Other illustrations are as follows: Vol. 1, frontispiece (the Law and Equity plate with illustrator's signature "Designed & etched by George Cruikshank," and a woodcut as title vignette (the Pltf. and Deft. illustration) signed "G C K"; vol. 2, woodcut as title vignette (the animals and animal tamer illustration) signed "G C K," has printed below it "See page 225" which appears to be an error for p. 252, where the author speaks of "the brute-tamer and the brute." At end of vol. 2, on p. 252, the woodcut which appears as title vignette of vol. 1 is repeated.

Signatures: Vol. 1. (4 unsigned), B-Fs, Gs. Vol. 2. (6 unsigned), H-Rs. Title page of vol. 1, printed in black, reads: "The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. Part I.—Of the rights of persons. London: Published at the Punch office, 194, Strand. MDCCCXLIV." Title page of vol. 2, printed in red, reads: "The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. With illustrations by George Cruikshank. London: Published at the Punch office, 92, Fleet-street. MDCCCXLVI." Verso of each title page reads: "London: Bradbury and Evans, printers, Whitefriars." Half-title of vol. 1 reads: The comic Blackstone. Half-title of vol. 2, which contains a misprint "Part I" for Part II, reads: "The comic Blackstone. Part I.—Of real property. III.—Of private wrongs and their remedies. IV. Of public wrongs

and their remedies." Dedication in vol. 1 "To the commissioners of the courts of request" reads like that in vol. 2, with the addition of the words "this first part of."

G. A. à Beckett was a barrister at Gray's Inn; according to a contemporary reviewer in the *London Times*, "Few could have travestied so well the real Blackstone, following it literally step by step." This parody of the *Commentaries* consists of introduction and parts I-IV, corresponding to introduction and four books of the *Commentaries*. Vol. 1 contains the introduction and part I; vol. 2, parts II-IV.

Publisher's advertisement on back cover of vol. 2 lists "*The Comic Blackstone*. Complete . . . price 6s." This is the 1846 London, Punch office reprint in one volume in cloth. It has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*.

The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. Part I.—

Of the rights of persons. Philadelphia, Carey and Hart, 1844.

1 p. l., iv, [13]-94 p. frontispiece, illustrations. 20 x 12 cm. [186]

Part I only, in original paper covers; cover-title reads: "Price 25 cents. The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. Illustrated by George Cruikshank. Philadelphia, Carey and Hart, 1844." Cover-title vignette below author's name is the Cruikshank illustration "Bill of costs" signed "G C K." Dedication leaf follows engraved title page; no printed title page is included. Title vignette "Engr^d by A. Koellner. Printed by P. S. Duval" after a Cruikshank illustration. Etched frontispiece, after a Cruikshank plate, is unsigned. Part I consists of introduction and 18 chapters, corresponding to introduction and book I of Blackstone's *Commentaries*.

Carey and Hart published another 1844 reprint of part I, which is printed from different plates. *See* no. 187.

The comic Blackstone of "Punch." By Gilbert Abbott à

Beckett. With illustrations by Cruikshank. Philadelphia,

Carey and Hart, 1844. [187]

2 p. l., 9-94 p. frontispiece, illustrations. 20 x 12 cm.

Part I only, in original paper covers; cover-title reads: "Price 25 cents. The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. Illustrated by George Cruikshank. Philadelphia, Carey and Hart, and for sale by W. H. Graham & W. M. Christy, New York [etc.] 1844." The illustrations are the same as in no. 186. On verso of printed title page: "T. K. & P. G. Collins, printers, Phila." Added title page engraved, reads: "The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. Part I.—Of the rights of persons. Philadelphia, Carey and Hart, 1844." This issue of part I is in Yale University Library. For another 1844 Carey and Hart reprint of part I, printed from different plates, *see* no. 186.

The Library of Congress lists another issue, Philadelphia, Carey and Hart,

1844-1846, consisting of four parts in three volumes; on title pages there is a misprint "Cruikshauk." This issue has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*.

The comic Blackstone of "Punch." Part II. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. With illustrations by Cruikshank. Philadelphia, Carey and Hart, 1845. [188]

1 p. l., 9-52 p. 20 x 12 cm.

Part II only, in original paper covers; cover-title reads: "Comic Blackstone. Part 2—Price 12½. The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. Part 2. Illustrated by George Cruikshank. Price 12½ cents. New York, Burgess, Stringer & co. and for sale by W. H. Graham & Saxton & Miles, New York [etc.] 1845." The only illustration is the Cruikshank title vignette "Bill of costs" on front cover, signed "G C K." On verso of title page: "Printed by T. K. and P. G. Collins. Stereotyped by L. Johnson, Philadelphia." Part II consists of prologue and 20 chapters, corresponding to book II of Blackstone's *Commentaries*. This copy is in Yale University Library.

On p. 10 of Carey and Hart advertisement inserted at end of Part II is listed: "*The Comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett . . . With Illustrations by George Cruikshank.* Now complete, parts 1, 2, 3, and 4." The compiler of this *Catalogue* has not seen any early American reprints of parts III and IV.

The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. A new ed. With illustrations by George Cruikshank. London, Bradbury and Evans, 1856. [189]

xii, 252 p. 2 illustrations. 17 x 11 cm.

This edition, printed and published by Bradbury and Evans, proprietors of *Punch*, is a reprint of no. 185. It consists of introduction and four parts, corresponding to introduction and four books of Blackstone's *Commentaries*. The Cruikshank illustrations are a title vignette (the animals and animal tamer woodcut) and a tail-piece on p. 252 (the Pltf. and Deft. woodcut). Each is signed "G C K." Half-title, p. [i-ii] lacking in this copy.

Several English reprints, some undated, have been published from the same plates as the 1856 reprint, by the firm Bradbury and Evans, which in 1870 became Bradbury, Evans, and company, and in 1872, Bradbury, Agnew, and company.

The comic Blackstone . . . [*Title as in no. 189*] London, Bradbury and Evans, 1857. [190]

xii, 252 p. 2 illustrations. 17 x 11 cm.

This impression, printed from the plates of no. 189, has the same illustrations.

1911 The Great Migration. By Helen Hunt
W. Barrett, with illustrations by Helen
Barrett. Chicago, Collier and Blackman,
1911.

1911-1912. 245 x 310 mm.

✓ The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. With illustrations by George Cruikshank. Chicago, Callaghan & Cockcroft, 1869. [191]
xi, [13]-376 p. frontispiece, 3 plates. 23½ x 16 cm.

This is a reprint of no. 185. The illustrations consist of four plates after the original Cruikshank woodcuts; frontispiece (included in paging) is the Law and Equity plate, signed "Baker"; the Pltf. and Deft. plate, unsigned, faces p. 112; the Bill of costs plate, signed "G C K" faces p. [177]; the animals and animal tamer plate, signed "Baker" faces p. [289].

The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. With illustrations by George Cruikshank. London, Bradbury, Evans, & co. [1870 or 1871?] [192]
xii, 252 p. 3 illustrations. 17 x 11 cm.

This copy, in Yale University Library, is in the original paper covers; on front cover is the same illustration which appears at end of text on p. 252. The two illustrations in text are the same as in no. 189. This impression was printed from the plates of no. 189.

The comic Blackstone . . . [Title as in no. 192] Philadelphia, J. B. Lippincott & co.; London, Bradbury, Evans, & co. [1870 or 1871?] [193]
xii, 252 p. 2 illustrations. 17 x 11 cm.

Yale University Library has this impression, which was printed in London, by Bradbury, Evans, and company, from the plates of no. 189. The illustrations are the same as in no. 189.

The comic Blackstone. By Gilbert Abbott à Beckett. With illustrations by George Cruikshank. New ed. London, Bradbury, Evans, & co., 1872. [194]
xii, 252 p. 2 illustrations. 17 x 11 cm.

Yale University Library has this impression, printed from the plates of no. 189, with the same illustrations.

The comic Blackstone . . . [Title as in no. 192] London, Bradbury, Agnew, & co. [1880?] [195]
xii, 252 p. 2 illustrations. 17 x 11 cm.

This impression, printed from the plates of no. 189, has the same illustrations. It was published between 1872 when the firm name was changed, and 1887 when Bradbury, Agnew, & co. published a "Revised and extended" edition with illustrations by Harry Furniss. *See* no. 196.

The comic Blackstone, by Gilbert Abbott a' Beckett, metropolitan police magistrate, of Gray's Inn, barrister-at-law . . .
Revised and extended by Arthur Wm. a' Beckett . . . With ten full-page coloured illustrations & others by Harry Furniss. New and revised ed. London, Bradbury, Agnew & co., 1887. [196]

xxviii, 324 p. 10 plates incl. frontispiece, illustrations. 22½ x 15 cm.
"List of illustrations": p. [xxvii]-xxviii.

According to the preface dated 20th July, 1887, *The Comic Blackstone*, the "earliest" work of the author, was in this edition revised and brought up to date by his son, Arthur William a' Beckett "of Gray's Inn, barrister-at-law." This is the first *revision* of the text to be published; it is a parody of the *Commentaries*, the introduction and parts I-IV corresponding to Blackstone's introduction and four books. The artist, Harry Furniss, was an English caricaturist, author, and lecturer.

The comic Blackstone of "Punch." By Gilbert Abbott a' Beckett. With illustrations by Cruikshank. Detroit, Collector publishing company, 1897. [197]

4 p. l. [13]-76, 38, 84 p. frontispiece, illustration. 20 x 13½ cm.

Preceding printed title page is an engraved title page for "Part I—Of the rights of persons," with title vignette "Engr^d by A. Koellner. Printed by P. S. Duval" after a Cruikshank illustration. Frontispiece, after a Cruikshank illustration, is unsigned. "Part II" has a special title page and separate paging; "Parts III and IV" have a special title page and continuous paging. This parody corresponds to the introduction and four books of Blackstone's *Commentaries*.

VII
WORKS FOUNDED ON BLACKSTONE'S
COMMENTARIES

[The works under this heading formed part of the Blackstone Collection presented to the Yale Law Library by Mr. Macgrane Coxe; other works similar in character which are in the Yale Law Library are not included. A few works given by Mr. Coxe, which are only remotely connected with Blackstone, have not been included.]

BROOM and HADLEY. Commentaries on the laws of England. By Herbert Broom . . . and Edward A. Hadley . . . London, William Maxwell & son, Henry Sweet, and Stevens & sons, 1869. [198]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23 x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxiii, [1], 629 p. Vol. 2. xxi p., 1 l., 679 p. Vol. 3. xi, [1], 490 p. Vol. 4. xxiii, 608 p.

List of "Addenda et corrigenda" on leaf not included in paging, following p. xxi in vol. 2.

First edition. Blackstone's arrangement of the four books of his *Commentaries* has been retained, and the sequence of chapters is nearly the same. Portions of the text are taken almost verbatim from Blackstone, without distinguishing marks. According to the preface dated October 20, 1869, the twenty-first edition of the *Commentaries* "was placed at the entire disposal of the writers of this work." This is the London, 1844 edition, edited by Hargrave, Sweet, Couch, and Welsby.

4 BROOM and HADLEY. Commentaries on the laws of England . . . With notes by William Wait . . . Albany, N.Y., John D. Parsons, jr., 1875. [199]

2 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 25½ x 18 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxi, 918 p. Vol. 2. xxii, 821 p. (Paging of London edition retained in margin.)

In this first American edition by Wait "counselor-at-law", the editor's notes are separated from those of the authors; Broom and Hadley's notes are indicated by letters; Wait's notes, with references to American decisions, are indicated by numbers. Wait's preface is dated September 7th, 1875.

KINGSFORD. Commentaries on the law of Ontario. Being Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, adapted to the province of Ontario. By R. E. Kingsford . . . Vol. I. Rights of persons. Toronto, Carswell co. (ltd.) 1896. [200] viii, 458 p. 22½ x 15½ cm.

This volume, which has copyright date 1896, was the only volume published of Rupert Etherege Kingsford's projected three volumes adapting books I-III of Blackstone's *Commentaries* to the province of Ontario. Portions of Blackstone's book I are incorporated in Kingsford's text without distinguishing marks. Preface dated June, 1896.

LEITH. Commentaries on the laws of England: applicable to real property. By Sir William Blackstone, Knt. Adapted to the present state of the law in Upper Canada, by Alexander Leith . . . Toronto, W. C. Chewett & co., 1864. [201] viii, 416 p. 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 15½ cm.

This first edition has copyright date 1864. It is based on Blackstone's book II, chapters 1-33. Material from the original text, wholly inapplicable in Upper Canada, is excluded. The alterations by Leith are incorporated in the body of the text, marked with brackets. Chapter IA is entirely by Leith. Blackstone's paging is retained in margin. The appendix contains statutes relating to real property.

LEITH. Commentaries on the laws of England applicable to real property. By Sir William Blackstone, Knt. Adapted to the present state of the law in Ontario, by Alexander Leith . . . and James Frederick Smith . . . 2d ed. Toronto, Rowsell & Hutchison, 1880. [202]

xviii p., 1 l., 604 p. 22½ x 15½ cm.
"Errata" slip and "Erratum" leaf following p. xviii.

This edition, with copyright date 1880, is revised and enlarged. Alterations by Leith and Smith are incorporated in the body of the text. Chapters 2 and 22 consist entirely of new matter. A table of cases has been added.

REED. Pennsylvania Blackstone. *See* no. 95.

STEPHEN. New commentaries on the laws of England. (Partly founded on Blackstone.) By Henry John Stephen . . . London, Henry Butterworth, 1841-1845. [203] 4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 22½ x 15 cm.

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Imprint dates: Vol. 1. 1841. Vol. 2. 1842. Vol. 3. 1844. Vol. 4. 1845.
Collation: Vol. 1. xxv, 588 p. Vol. 2. xii, 622 p. Vol. 3. xi, 744 p. Vol. 4.
x, 572 p.

This first edition has preface dated January 1st, 1841. Although this work is based on the four books of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, incorporating in the text many passages taken verbatim from that work, the text is brought up to date and so rearranged as to form a new work. Those portions which are taken without alteration from the text of Blackstone are marked with brackets. The notes of Blackstone and of Stephen are printed together as footnotes, without distinguishing marks. Vol. 1 contains folded "Table of descent"; vol. 2, "Table of consanguinity according to the civilians."

STEPHEN. New commentaries on the laws of England.
(Partly founded on Blackstone.) By Henry John Stephen
. . . 1st American ed. . . . New-York, Halsted & Voorhies,
1841-1846. [204]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 23 x 15½ cm.

Vol. 2-4 published by John S. Voorhies, New York. Vol. 1 and 4 printed in New York, by William Osborn; vol. 2-3, in West Brookfield, Massachusetts, by Merriam and Cooke.

Imprint dates: Vol. 1. 1841. Vol. 2. 1843. Vol. 3. 1845. Vol. 4. 1846.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxv, 588 p. Vol. 2. xii, 620 p. Vol. 3. xi, 744 p. Vol. 4.
x, 572 p.

Vol. 1, p. 160 incorrectly numbered 142.

The first American edition is printed word for word from the first London edition, but with some changes in spelling. Vol. 2 lacks the "Table of consanguinity according to the civilians."

X STEPHEN. New commentaries . . . 2d ed. Prepared for the
press by James Stephen . . . London, Henry Butterworth;
Dublin, Hodges and Smith, 1848. [205]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. 1, lvi, 676 p. Vol. 2. xii, 641 p. Vol. 3. xi, 710 p.
Vol. 4. xi, 611 p.

Errors in paging: Vol. 2, p. iv numbered vi; vol. 3, p. iv numbered ii.

For title, *see* no. 203. According to H. J. Stephen's preface dated 1st May, 1848, "the correction of the work, in reference to the new statutes and cases (which are brought down to May, 1848), and the revision of the press in general, has been confided by the author to his son."

STEPHEN. New commentaries . . . 3d ed. Prepared for the press by James Stephen . . . London, Butterworths; Dublin, Hodges and Smith, 1853. [206]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 22½ x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l. [v]–lviii, 690 p. Vol. 2. xii, 659, [1] p. Vol. 3. xi, 748 p. Vol. 4. xi, 648 p.

Vol. 4, p. viii numbered x.

For title, *see* no. 203. The only preface is the 1841 “Preface to the first edition of the first volume.”

STEPHEN. New commentaries . . . 4th ed. Prepared for the press by James Stephen . . . London, Butterworths; Dublin, Hodges, Smith & co., 1858. [207]

4 v. 2 tables (1 folded) 22 x 15½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. lvii, 715, [1] p. Vol. 2. xii, 690 p. Vol. 3. xii, 753, [1] p. Vol. 4. xi, 671, [1] p.

For title, *see* no. 203. The only preface is the 1841 “Preface to the first edition of the first volume.”

STEPHEN. New commentaries . . . 5th ed. Prepared for the press by James Stephen . . . London, Butterworths; Dublin, Hodges, Smith & co., 1863. [208]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 23 x 16 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. lvii, 736 p. Vol. 2. xii, 712 p. Vol. 3. xii, 759 p. Vol. 4. xi, 707, [1] p.

For title, *see* no. 203. The only preface is the 1841 “Preface to the first edition of the first volume.” Vol. 1 contains two folded “Table[s] of descent”; vol. 2, “Table of consanguinity according to the civilians.”

STEPHEN. Mr. Serjeant Stephen’s New commentaries on the laws of England. (Partly founded on Blackstone.) . . . 6th ed., by James Stephen . . . London, Butterworths; Dublin, Hodges, Smith & co., 1868. [209]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 22 x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. liii, 746 p. Vol. 2. xii, 729, [1] p. Vol. 3. xii, 770 p. Vol. 4. xi, 715, [1] p.

This edition, the first published after the death of the author, Henry John Stephen, is brought up to date by his son, the editor of the second to fifth editions. It contains an extract “From the preface to the original edition.” *See* no. 203.

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This copy of vol. 1 has p. 241-256 incorrectly bound in after p. 272. At the end of vol. 4 is inserted a folded chart "Chope's Analysis of Blackstone on real property."

STEPHEN. Mr. Serjeant Stephen's New commentaries . . .
7th ed., by James Stephen . . . London, Butterworths [etc.]
1874. [210]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 23 x 16 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. lvi, 727, [1] p. Vol. 2. xv, 788 p. Vol. 3. x, 706 p. Vol. 4.
x, 666 p.

For title, *see* no. 209. In this edition, portions of the text included within brackets indicate passages taken *substantially* from Blackstone. In previous editions of Stephen's work, brackets designate all passages taken *verbatim* from Blackstone. (*See* no. 203.) "Preface to the present edition" is dated January, 1874. Indexes in all volumes, and Table of statutes in vol. 4 were compiled by the editor's son, Henry St. James Stephen.

STEPHEN. Mr. Serjeant Stephen's New commentaries on the
laws of England (partly founded on Blackstone) . . . By
James Stephen . . . 8th ed. <Prepared for the press by Henry
St. James Stephen . . .> London, Butterworths [etc.] 1880.

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 23 x 15½ cm. [211]

Collation, Vol. 1. lv, 732 p. Vol. 2. xv, 789, [1] p. Vol. 3. x, 712 p. Vol. 4.
x, 660 p.

Vol. 2, p. 743 incorrectly numbered 473.

"Preface to the present edition" is dated March, 1880. Indexes in all volumes, and Table of statutes in vol. 4 were compiled by Henry St. James Stephen, son of the editor, James Stephen, and grandson of the author, Henry John Stephen.

STEPHEN. Mr. Serjeant Stephen's New commentaries . . .
9th ed., by Henry St. James Stephen . . . London, Butter-
worths [etc.] 1883. [212]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 22½ x 15½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. lvii, 740 p. Vol. 2. xv, 799 p. Vol. 3. x, 722 p. Vol. 4.
x, 674 p.

For title, *see* no. 211. "Preface to the present edition" is dated June, 1883. This edition, containing alterations in the law to the close of the year 1882, was edited by the author's grandson, with the assistance of Archibald Brown; vol. 1-3, with their indexes, were revised and approved throughout by the latter.

STEPHEN. Mr. Serjeant Stephen's New commentaries on the laws of England (partly founded on Blackstone) by His Honour Judge Stephen . . . 10th ed. . . . London, Butterworths [etc.] 1886. [213]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 22½ x 15 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. lxix, 783, [1] p. Vol. 2. xv, 832 p. Vol. 3. x, 751, [1] p. Vol. 4. x, 703, [1] p.

Previous editions were edited by the son and grandson of the author, Henry John Stephen. The present edition was edited by Archibald Brown, who assisted in the revision of the ninth edition. (*See* no. 212.) Brown's name does not appear on title pages of the ninth or tenth editions. His "Preface to the tenth edition" is dated May, 1886.

STEPHEN. Mr. Serjeant Stephen's New commentaries . . . 11th ed. . . . London, Butterworths [etc.] 1890. [214]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 22½ x 15½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. lv, 755, [1] p. Vol. 2. xv, 812 p. Vol. 3. xi, 744 p. Vol. 4. x, 671, [1] p.

For title, *see* no. 213. Archibald Brown edited the present edition, in which the text, partly rewritten, includes alterations in the law to the end of April, 1890. His name does not appear on title pages, but "Preface to the eleventh edition" is signed "A. Brown . . . June, 1890."

STEPHEN. Mr. Serjeant Stephen's New commentaries . . . 13th ed., by Archibald Brown . . . Thoroughly revised and modernised, and brought down to the present time . . . London, Butterworth & co. [etc.] 1899. [215]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 22½ x 15½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. lix, [1], 622 p., 1 l. Vol. 2. xvi, 727, [1] p. Vol. 3. xv, 733 p., 1 l. Vol. 4. xii, 702 p., 1 l.

According to Soule, the twelfth edition of Stephen's *New Commentaries* was published in four volumes, London, 1895; that edition has not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue*.

In the thirteenth edition, title preceding edition statement is the same as in no. 213. "Preface to the thirteenth edition" is dated June, 1899.

STEPHEN. Mr. Serjeant Stephen's New commentaries on the laws of England (partly founded on "Blackstone.") By His Honour Judge Stephen . . . 14th ed., under the general editorship of Edward Jenks . . . thoroughly revised and

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modernised, and brought down to the present time . . .

London, Butterworth & co., 1903. [216]

4 v. 3 tables (2 folded) 22½ x 16 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. ccxxxvi, 563, [1] p. Vol. 2. xx, 782 p., 1 l. Vol. 3. xviii, 776 p. Vol. 4. xiv, 649, [1] p.

“Preface to the fourteenth edition. By the general editor” is dated July, 1903. Edward Jenks edited this edition with the coöperation of sixteen writers, who are responsible only for those chapters to which their names are prefixed in table of contents. Some entirely new chapters have been added, and certain parts of the work, of purely antiquarian character, have been omitted. In those portions taken substantially from the text of Blackstone, the editor has in many cases restored the original text.

This is the latest edition of Stephen's *New Commentaries* which Macgrane Coxe had in his Blackstone Collection, now owned by Yale Law Library. Later editions of Stephen's work which are in the Yale Law Library are not included in this *Catalogue*. The nineteenth edition, “radically revised and largely rewritten” was published in London, 1928.

VIII
BLACKSTONE'S MISCELLANEOUS
WORKS

✕ The *Analysis*—English, Irish, and French Editions

An analysis of the laws of England. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LVI. [217]
x, [4], 180 p. 2 tables (1 folded) 21½ x 13½ cm.

The anonymous first edition. The first and subsequent editions are in octavo. The *Analysis* was the outline for Blackstone's *Commentaries on the Laws of England*. In the first edition of the *Commentaries*, Blackstone writes in vol. 1 of "The *Analysis of the Laws of England*, first published, A.D. 1756, and exhibiting the order and principal divisions of the ensuing *Commentaries*; which were originally submitted to the University [of Oxford] in a private course of lectures, A.D. 1753."

Preface, p. [iii]–x, is dated "All Souls College, 2 Nov. 1756." Following preface "Contents of this analysis" [4] p., is arranged in the form of charts. Text, p. [1]–131, is arranged in four books, each subdivided into chapters; chapters are subdivided into numbered topics, stated in the form of definitions and brief topical outlines. Appendix, p. [133]–180, includes: I. Explanation of the Table of consanguinity. II. Explanation of the Table of descents. III–X. *Vetus carta feoffamenti* [and other forms]. "A table of consanguinity" follows p. 134, and folded "Table of descents" follows p. 138.

✕ An analysis of the laws of England. The 2d ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LVII. [218]
x, [4], 180 p. 2 tables (1 folded) 21 x 13½ cm.

In this anonymous second edition, the preface is dated as in the first edition, and the arrangement of the text is the same. See no. 217.

✕ An analysis of the laws of England. The 3d ed.; to which is prefixed an introductory Discourse on the study of the law. By William Blackstone . . . Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LVIII. [219]
lxx p., 1 l. [4], 189, [14] p. 2 tables (1 folded) 20½ x 13 cm.

Title page reads "By William Blackstone, esq. D.C.L. barrister at law, and Vinerian professor of the laws of England in the University of Oxford."

This is the first edition which bears the name of the author. According to the preface dated 2 Nov. 1758, this edition is a revision of the text, to which is added "a greater variety of precedents and forms in the appendix." "A discourse on the study of the law, read in the public schools at Oxford, October, XXV. M.DCC.LVIII," p. [xiii]-lxx, was Blackstone's introductory lecture as Vinerian professor of law at Oxford. This lecture was also published separately, first and second editions, 1758. (See no. 233-234.) It was afterward published in Blackstone's *Commentaries*, first and later editions, as section one of the introduction.

This edition is the first to contain "An alphabetical index of the general titles and particular examples comprised in the Analysis and appendix," fourteen unnumbered pages at end.

This copy contains autograph of Charles Cocks, M.P. for Reigate (who was created Lord Somers of Evesham in 1784) and the bookplate of his son, John Somers Cocks, Lord Somers.

An analysis of the laws of England. To which is prefixed an introductory Discourse on the study of the law. By William Blackstone . . . 4th ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LIX. [220]

lxx p., 1 l. [4], 189, [14] p. 2 tables (1 folded) 21 x 13½ cm.

The preface is dated as in the third edition, and the arrangement of the text is the same. See no. 219.

An analysis . . . 5th ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LXII. [221]

lxxvii p., 1 l. [4], 189, [14] p. 21 x 14 cm.

For title, see no. 220. Preface, dated 2 Nov. 1758, is amended by footnotes on p. [iii] and ix, to conform to the present edition. The two tables found in the first four editions of the *Analysis* are omitted in the fifth edition; a note on p. ix refers the reader to the author's *Law Tracts*, which contains these tables. "Postscript" p. [lxxii]-lxxvii, concerns the statutes relative to the Vinerian professorship, fellowships and scholarships at Oxford University.

An analysis . . . 5th ed. Dublin, Printed for Elizabeth Watts, MDCCLXVI. [222]

lxi p., 1 l. [4], 189, [14] p. 2 tables (1 folded) 21 x 13 cm.

Title is the same as in no. 220, except the misprint "perfixed" for "pre-fixed." This pirated edition follows the text of the fourth Oxford edition, with some changes in spelling.

Errors in printing: p. 82 numbered 28; signature H is printed and bound as follows: p. 113, 118-119, 116, 117 [incorrectly numbered 171], 114-115, 120-121, 126-127, 124-125, 122-123, 128.

An analysis of the laws of England. By William Blackstone . . .
 6th ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.-
 LXXI. [223]
 xi, [4], 230, [14] p., 1 l. 2 folded tables. 22 x 14 cm.

This revised edition is the last issued by Blackstone. In the undated preface, he states: "The *Commentaries on the Laws of England* (of which this work is the outline or abstract) have since [the publication of the fifth edition of the *Analysis*, 1762] been made public, with a few alterations and improvements . . . principally in point of subdivision and method. This edition is therefore accommodated to those alterations and improvements; and will be found to correspond as exactly with the printed *Commentaries*, as the former impressions were calculated to answer to the lectures then read by the professor." The arrangement in this edition is as follows: preface, table of contents, text, appendix, and index.

Many editions of the *Commentaries* published after Blackstone's death contain the text of this edition of the *Analysis*, divided into four books and printed in the corresponding volumes of the *Commentaries*. The *Analysis* is also reprinted in Blackstone's *Tracts*, Oxford, 1771, as p. [i]-vii, [4], [13]-129. See no. 240.

Analyse des lois anglaises, précédée d'un discours préliminaire sur l'étude des lois; tr. de l'anglais de William Blackstone, par A. M. Joguet. Paris, Leblanc, imprimeur-libraire, 1803.
 x, [2], lviii, [4] p., 1 l., 260, [8] p. 20½ x 13 cm. [224]

The translator in his preface says that he has added nothing to the text, but has made additions in the form of footnotes. "Comme plusieurs points de la législation anglaise ont été altérés ou étendus depuis la publication de l'ouvrage de Blackstone (1764), j'ai jugé indispensable d'indiquer ces altérations et ces extensions . . . jusqu'à l'époque de 1802." According to this statement, Joguet used for his translation an English edition published in 1764; this date may be an error, as the fifth Oxford edition was published in 1762, and the sixth in 1771.

The translator has added a "Tableau de succession des souverains de la Grande-Bretagne" following his preface. Blackstone's "Discours sur l'étude des lois," p. [i]-lviii of the translation, was included in the third, fourth, and fifth Oxford editions of his *Analysis of the Laws of England*. See no. 219-221.

The Reports

W Reports of cases determined in the several courts of Westminster-Hall, from 1746 to 1779. Taken and compiled by the

*copy not found
 copy in Blackstone's Coll.*

20.
[324.1] Analysis of the Law of England
London, John S. Pops, III 1821
5 pl., XIX, [XX], 512 - 150 p. Long's Law
Dep. with half the rights till 1821

Honourable Sir William Blackstone, Knt., late one of the justices of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas. Published according to the direction in his will, from his original manuscript, by his executors. With a preface containing memoirs of his life. In two volumes . . . London, Printed by His Majesty's law printers, for W. Strahan, T. Cadell; and D. Prince and co., Oxford, MDCCLXXXI. [225]

2 v. 32 x 20 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l., xxxi, [14], 679, 38 p. Vol. 2. 10 p. l., 681-1333, 46 p.

This is the folio first edition. These reports, with one exception, were compiled entirely by Blackstone from his own notes "contained in five large note books, all written with his own hand; and prepared for the press, even to an index, and a table of matters . . . The work reaches down to the end of Michaelmas term, 1779." They comprise a selection from cases decided during the period noted, some terms not being represented. Vol. 1 covers 1746-1769; vol. 2, 1770-1779. The one report not taken by Blackstone himself is the case of *Burgess v. Wheate* in vol. 1, which was reported by Mr. Fazakerly. Blackstone's "literal errors or omissions" were corrected by the editor, James Clitherow, Blackstone's brother-in-law and executor.

The preface in vol. 1, signed "Boston House, Feb. 20, 1781. James Clitherow" includes an account of the life of Blackstone, which was reprinted verbatim or with slight changes, in many editions of the *Commentaries* after the author's death. Following the biographical sketch is an account of the compilation and editing of Blackstone's *Reports*. Each volume contains "A table of the names of the cases . . . according to the order of their determination," "An alphabetical index of all the cases" and list of "Errata" preceding text of the reports. Following text in each volume is "A table of the principal matters contained in this volume."

The date of the first edition of these *Reports* is in doubt according to various writers. John Worrall in *Bibliotheca Legum Angliae*, 1788, lists a 1780 edition in two volumes, with Clitherow's biographical preface. J. W. Wallace in *The Reporters*, 1882, notes a folio edition in two volumes, 1780. C. C. Soule in *Lawyer's Reference Manual*, 1883, lists "The first edition (2 vols., folio. 1780 or 1781; reprinted in octavo, London, 1781, and Dublin, 1789)." It is apparent that the date 1780 is an error for 1781, for Blackstone died on February 14, 1780, and Clitherow's preface in these posthumous *Reports* is dated "Feb. 20, 1781."

Reports of cases . . . [Title as in no. 225] Dublin, Printed for Messrs. Whitestone, Chamberlaine, Colles [etc.] M,DCC,-LXXXI. [226]

2 v. 22 x 14½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 1 p. l., xxxi, [12] p., 1 l., 679, 38 p. Vol. 2. 10 p. l., 681-1333, 46 p.

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In this reprint of no. 225, the "Errata" of that first edition are corrected in the body of the text. Clitherow's preface is dated Feb. 20, 1781.

These volumes bear the autographs of three distinguished New Orleans lawyers: James Brown, who was United States senator and minister to France; Thomas Farrar McCaleb, a secretary of state of Louisiana; and Isaac Trimble Preston (Yale, B.A. 1812) who studied law at the Litchfield Law School and was, at the time of his death, a justice of the Supreme Court of Louisiana.

Reports of cases . . . [*Title as in no. 225*] Dublin, Printed for Messrs. Chamberlaine, Colles, Lynch [etc.] M,DCC,-LXXXIX. [227]

2 v. 22 x 14½ cm.

Yale Law Library lacks vol. 1. Vol. 2 has collation: 10 p. l., 681-1333, 46 p.

This is a reprint of no. 226. Vol. 2 contains bookplate of Cadwallader David Colden, a lawyer and mayor of New York City.

The preface [to Sir William Blackstone's Reports of cases determined in the several courts of Westminster-Hall, from 1746 to 1779] [Dublin? 1789?] [227a]

xxxi p. 21 x 14 cm.

Signed on p. xxxi: Boston-House, Feb. 20, 1781. James Clitherow.

There is no title page; caption title reads "The preface." This is an octavo reprint of Clitherow's preface to the Dublin 1781 octavo edition of Blackstone's *Reports*, vol. 1, p. [i]-xxxi, but it is not printed from the same setting of type. Catchwords "A table" on p. xxxi indicate that this extract is probably signatures a-b_s of an edition published after the Dublin 1781 edition (probably the Dublin 1789 edition, of which Yale Law Library lacks the first volume.)

Reports of cases determined in the several courts of Westminster-Hall, from 1746 to 1779: by the Honourable Sir William Blackstone, Knt. . . . with memoirs of his life. 2d ed., revised and corrected, with copious notes and references, including some from the mss. of the late Mr. Serjt. Hill: by Charles Heneage Elsley . . . In two volumes . . . London, S. Sweet, R. Pheney, A. Maxwell, Stevens & sons; Dublin, R. Milliken, 1828. [228]

2 v. 24½ x 16½ cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. xxxi, 679 [*i.e.* 550] p. Vol. 2. 1 p. l., 681-1333 [*i.e.* 530], [1335]-1385, [1] p. (Paging irregular, following paging of first edition in margin.)

This second edition by "Charles Heneage Elsley, esq. of the Middle Temple, barrister at law" was very greatly improved by the editor, according to Soule's *Lawyer's Reference Manual*. The editor has made some alterations and additions to Blackstone's own words, with brackets and notes to indicate all such changes. The editor's additional notes include an "abstract of the case or point bearing upon that in the text," cases over-ruled or confirmed by later decisions, etc. Elsley's preface is dated October 30, 1827. Clitherow's "Preface to the first edition" is included. Vol. 1 contains an alphabetical index of cases, and vol. 2, an index of the "principal matters contained in the text, and in the notes."

This edition of Blackstone's *Reports* is reprinted in *The English Reports*, vol. XCVI. King's Bench division, XXV. 1909.

Other Works

An argument in the Exchequer chamber on giving judgment in the case of Perrin and another against Blake, by the Hon.

Mr. Justice Blackstone . . . [229]

(In *A Collection of Tracts Relative to the Law of England, from Manuscripts, Now First Edited by Francis Hargrave* . . . London, Printed by T. Wright, MDCCLXXXVII. 2 p. l., lii, 510 p., 2 l. [513]-578 p. 29 x 23 cm.)

This is the quarto first edition of the *Tracts*. An "Errata" slip is inserted before preface. Pages [487]-510 consist of Blackstone's *Argument*, with special title page on which this note is printed: "The following argument is printed from the original manuscript in the hand-writing of the great modern commentator on the law of England, whose name it bears. The copy-right was purchased by the editor from one, who derived his title to it from the executor of Sir William Blackstone. The case, to which it relates, is shortly given in the Judge's printed *Reports*. But this argument is there omitted; which, as the editor conjectures, was owing to the circumstance of its being written on a separate paper instead of being contained in the Judge's note-books." Footnotes by Hargrave are signed "Editor."

In this *Argument*, one leaf (p. 493-494) seems to be a cancel; a stub appears between p. 494 and 495; on p. 494 the running title is printed thus: "MR. JUSTICE BLACKSTONE'S ARGUMENT"; on other leaves it is printed: "MR. JUSTICE BLACKSTONE'S ARGUMENT."

Blackstone's argument was delivered January 29, 1772. The litigation which began in 1746, was settled by compromise in 1777. William Perrin and a Mr. Vaughan were plaintiffs, and Mrs. Hannah Williams Blake was the defendant.

An argument . . . [Title as in no. 229] [230]

(In *A Collection of Tracts Relative to the Law of England, from Manuscripts, Now First Edited by Francis Hargrave* . . . Dublin, Printed for E. Lynch,

W. Colles [etc.] MDCCLXXXVII. 2 p. l., li, 510 p., 2 l. [513]-578 p. 21 x 13½ cm.)

This edition of the *Tracts* is reprinted from the London 1787 edition, but the "Errata" slip is not in the Dublin edition, which contains most of the textual errors of the original. Except for the change of the word "never" in line one of p. 494 (London edition) to "ever" in line two of p. 494 (Dublin edition), the text on p. 493-494 of the Dublin reprint reads the same as the London edition which Yale Law Library has. *See* no. 229 for note concerning a cancel.

The case of the late election for the county of Middlesex, considered on the principles of the constitution, and the authorities of law. [231]

Originally published separately as an anonymous work, London, 1769, in quarto. It was attributed to Jeremiah Dyson and to Sir William Blackstone. The University of Chicago Library lists this anonymous edition with imprint and collation as follows: London, Printed for T. Cadell, 1769. 48 p. 26½ cm. The compiler of this *Catalogue* has not seen a copy of the London 1769 tract. For a Dublin reprint, *see* no. 263a.

It was reprinted in America as an anonymous work, forming part IV of *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries*, Philadelphia, 1772 [-1773]. Neither Dyson's nor Blackstone's name appeared on title page or in text. In the 1773 Philadelphia reprint of this *Appendix*, the identifying phrase "By the author of Commentaries on the laws of England" was added on the special title page for part IV. *See* no. 255 and 256.

Yale University Library has this tract in *A Collection of Scarce and Interesting Tracts. Written by Persons of Eminence . . . During the Years 1763 . . . [to] 1770 . . .* London, 1787-1788. vol. 3, p. 391-454. This tract has a caption title on which the author's name is stated thus: "By the Right Honourable Jeremiah Dyson."

X Considerations on the question, whether tenants by copy of court roll according to the custom of the manor, though not at the will of the lord, are freeholders qualified to vote in elections for knights of the shire. London, Printed for R. Baldwin, MDCCLVIII. [232]
1 p. l., ii, 52 p. 21 x 13 cm.

First edition; "Advertisement" dated 11 Mar. 1758. The brief title by which it is usually cited is: *Considerations on Copyholders*.

Reprinted with some additions, in Blackstone's *Law Tracts*, Oxford, 1762, vol. 1, p. [99]-166. This reprint contains a "Postscript" and act of June 9, 1758, following it (p. 161-166) which are not in the 1758 edition. (*See* no.

238.) Reprinted with the same additions, in Blackstone's *Law Tracts*, Dublin, 1767, p. [75]-136, and in Blackstone's *Tracts*, Oxford, 1771, p. [199]-240. See no. 239 and 240.

A discourse on the study of the law; being an introductory lecture, read in the public schools, October XXV, M.DCC.LVIII, by William Blackstone, esq; D.C.L., barrister at law, and Vinerian professor of the laws of England in the University of Oxford. Published by direction of the vice-chancellor, heads of houses, and proctors. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LVIII. [233]

1 p. l., 40 p. 24½ x 20½ cm.

This first edition is in Yale University Library. Verso of title page reads: "Imprimatur, Tho. Randolph, vice-can. Oxon. Oct. 30, 1758." Footnote on p. 7 states: "The several passages, which are printed between two asterisks, were omitted at the public recital; as they would have extended the lecture to a very inconvenient length." (This note is omitted in the second edition. See no. 234.) "Postscript," p. [35]-40, relates to Charles Viner's will, and the statutes relative to the Vinerian professorship, fellowships and scholarships at Oxford University. In this copy, p. [1]-2 are incorrectly bound after p. 6. Manuscript note on title page reads: "Thomas Fry. St. John's. the gift of the author."

This *Discourse* appeared as section one of the introduction to the first and subsequent editions of the *Commentaries*, book I. It was also included in some editions of the author's *Analysis of the Laws of England*. See no. 219-222.

✓ A discourse on the study of the law . . . The 2d ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LVIII. [234]

1 p. l., 40 p. 23 x 18 cm.

For title, see no. 233. In this second edition, the use of asterisks to indicate portions of the text omitted at the reading of the lecture, is discontinued. This copy is in the Yale University Library.

Sweet and Maxwell's *Bibliography of English Law from 1651 to 1800*, published in 1931, lists a quarto third edition, Dublin, 1769.

Dissertation on the accounts of All Souls College, Oxford. By Sir William Blackstone, D.C.L. Presented to the Roxburge Club by Sir William Anson, Bart. London, J. B. Nichols & sons, 1898. [235]

3 p. l., iii, 52 p. 27 x 21 cm.

This is no. 135 of the Roxburge Club *Publications*. Inscription on p. [1]

reads: "To the Reverend the *Bursar of arts, at All Souls College, Oxford. 1753. This book, containing a *Dissertation on the Accounts of All Souls College*, is the property of *Ben. Buckler, to whom it is inscrib'd, & for whose use it was written by †W. B.

†Sir William Blackstone."

Dated at end of dissertation: "All Souls College. 1 Jan. 1753." Blackstone, bursar of laws of All Souls College, addressed "this careful account of the economy of a college in the eighteenth century" to Benjamin Buckler, bursar of arts of All Souls College, and a personal friend of the writer. William R. Anson in his "Prefatory note" says: "It exhibits . . . the orderly character of Blackstone's intellect, and the dignified suavity of his style, while it is illuminated by touches of irony and humour which are wanting to the *Commentaries*." The *Dissertation* was never published during Blackstone's lifetime.

Yale University Library owns two copies of this publication, one containing Sir William Anson's bookplate, and another which belonged to the Earl of Crawford.

✓ An essay on collateral consanguinity, it's limits, extent, and duration; more particularly as it is regarded by the statutes of All Souls College in the University of Oxford . . . London, Printed, and sold by W. Owen, and R. Clements, in Oxford, MDCCL. [236]

3 p. l., vi, [2], 78, [2] p. table. 20½ x 12½ cm.
"Erratum" note follows preface on p. vi.

This anonymous work was first published in 1750. Yale University Library has a bibliographically different issue of this 1750 publication. It is not known which was printed first, but to distinguish them, we will call the issue in the Yale Law Library the *first*, and the issue in the University Library the *second*. In the first issue, the half-title page reads: "An essay on collateral consanguinity, &c. <Price one shilling and sixpence.>" (The "Price" note does not appear on half-title page of the second issue.) In the first issue, the catchword on p. 41 is printed "Nor"; in the second issue it is printed "NoT." In the first issue, "A table of collateral consanguinity" faces p. [1]; the Yale University Library copy of the second issue lacks this table.

This essay concerns the election of the founder's kin to fellowships in the College. According to Clitherow's biographical preface to Blackstone's *Reports*, this *Essay* was Blackstone's first publication. Blackstone subsequently revised the text and included it in his *Law Tracts*, 1762, vol. 1, p. [1]-97, and *Tracts*, 1771, p. [131]-198. See no. 238 and 240.

✱ The Great charter and Charter of the forest, with other authentic instruments: to which is prefixed an introductory discourse, containing the history of the charters. By William

Blackstone . . . Oxford, At the Clarendon press, M.DCC.-
LIX. [237]

4 p. l., lxxvi, 86 p. illustrations. 36 x 27 cm.

Concerning this quarto edition of the *Magna charta*, Richard Thomson in *An Historical Essay on the Magna Charta of King John*, 1829, says: "This beautiful and rare edition of the English cartæ, is usually supposed to have been executed under the direction of the celebrated Baskerville; but was actually produced under the superintendence of Dr. Prince, and constituted one of these volumes, which afforded him most pleasure in having printed."

Verso of title page reads: "Imprimatur; Westmorland, canc. Universitatis Oxon. VII Julii, M.DCC.LIX." Half-title page reads: "Magna carta, Carta de foresta, etc." Engraved dedication to the Earl of Westmorland is surmounted with his armorial ensigns; following this are "Tabula," 1 l., and "Introduction," p. [i]-lxxvi. Initials in the text are ornamented with engravings of "various public buildings in Oxford"; tail-pieces on p. lxxvi and 73 are two historical vignettes. Other tail-pieces are ten engravings of the royal seals which are attached to the original instruments.

On p. ii Blackstone says that these charters are "carefully printed from the originals themselves, or (where those are not at present in being) from cotemporary inrollments and records."

Yale University Library has a copy which appears to be in the original binding, with margins untrimmed. The collation is: 2 p. l., lxxvi p., 2 l., 86 p. This copy differs in collation from Yale Law Library copy in the arrangement of two leaves; "Magna carta, Carta de foresta, etc." and "Tabula" (which are bound respectively as half-title page and fourth leaf in Law Library copy) are bound after p. lxxvi in University Library copy.

Worrall's *Bibliotheca Legum Angliac*, 1788, lists an edition with title beginning *Magna Charta and Charta de Foresta*, described as being "elegantly printed at the Clarendon press, large 4to. Oxf. 1758." Sweet and Maxwell's *Bibliography of English Law to 1650*, published in 1925, also lists a quarto edition published at Oxford with this title, but imprint date is given as 1759. The compiler of this *Catalogue* has seen no edition with that title.

Blackstone included *The Great Charter and Charter of the Forest* in his *Law Tracts*, 1762, vol. 2, and in his *Tracts*, 1771, p. [281]-353, 1 l., lxxx p. See no. 238 and 240.

Law tracts, in two volumes, by William Blackstone, esq. . . .

Oxford, At the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LXII. [238]

2 v. 8 plates, 2 tables (1 folded) 21½ x 14 cm.

Collation: Vol. 1. 3 p. l. [3]-257, [4] p., 1 l. Vol. 2. 3 p. l. [iii]-cxv p., 2 l., 135, [8] p.

Vol. 1 contains folded "Table of descents" facing p. 236; p. [10] is "A table of consanguinity." Plates are included in paging of vol. 2 as p. 13, 37, 71, 91, 107, 121, 133, and 135; these are engravings of royal seals described under no. 237.

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First edition. "The tracts now reprinted in these volumes were originally published separate, at different times . . . But, having been some time out of print, the author hath . . . consented to his bookseller's request of collecting them together, and publishing them (with a few corrections and additions) in the present form." The tracts included are as follows: Vol. 1, *An Essay on Collateral Consanguinity*, the tract known as *Considerations on Copyholders*, and *A Treatise on the Law of Descents in Fee-simple*; vol. 2, *The Great Charter and Charter of the Forest*, with the historical introduction. Each volume contains its own index.

X Law tracts, by William Blackstone . . . Dublin, Printed for Elizabeth Watts, M,DCC,LXVII. [239]

2 p. l., vi, 136, [2], cxiv p., 1 l., 105, [1] p. 2 tables (1 folded) 20 x 12½ cm.

This is a reprint in one volume, of the four tracts published in the two volumes of the 1762 Oxford edition. The general indexes of the Oxford edition are omitted in this reprint. The "corrections and additions" of the Oxford edition appear in this reprint, with the exception of the *Treatise on the Law of Descents in Fee-simple*, which is unrevised in this Dublin volume. This *Treatise*, listed on the general title page as "III. The law of descents in fee-simple" has a special title page with imprint: Dublin, Printed for Richard Watts, 1760; it is a prior publication, with separate paging and signatures, inserted by direction of the publisher, between the tracts *Considerations on Copyholders*, and *The Great Charter*. For full description of this *Treatise*, see no. 245.

"A table of consanguinity" faces p. [1] of first tract.

Errors in binding: Folded "Table of descents" facing p. 67 of first tract, should face p. 67 of the *Treatise on the Law of Descents in Fee-simple*, which is bound in this volume. Half-title with author's "Advertisement" on verso, bound after p. 136, belongs in the above-noted *Treatise*.

This copy contains autograph of Marshall Spring Bidwell, a native of Massachusetts who became a prominent lawyer and politician in Upper Canada; he afterwards practiced law in New York City.

X Tracts, chiefly relating to the antiquities and laws of England.

By William Blackstone . . . 3d ed. Oxford, Printed at the Clarendon press, M.DCC.LXXI. [240]

20. 3 p. l. [iii]-vii, [4], [13]-353 p., 1 l., lxxx, [18] p., 1 l. illustrations, table. 28 x 22 cm.

The first edition was published with title *Law Tracts*, in two octavo volumes, 1762. No "second edition" is listed in bibliographical sources consulted by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. One tract found in the 1762 edition is omitted in this third edition, and two tracts are included which do not appear in the 1762 edition. All of these tracts were previously published as separate works; Blackstone subsequently revised the text. See no. 238.

Illustrations consist of tail-pieces, engravings of royal seals, in the tract *The Great Charter*. The "Table of consanguinity" faces p. [139]. There are three indexes (nineteen unnumbered pages at end) "of principal matters," "of persons and places," and "of authorities."

The tracts included in this quarto edition are: *An Analysis of the Laws of England*, reprinted from the sixth edition, *An Essay on Collateral Consanguinity*, the tract known as *Considerations on Copyholders*, *Observations on the Oxford Press*, and *The Great Charter and Charter of the Forest*, with historical introduction.

Text on p. xxi, line 2 and 3 of tract *The Great Charter* contains misprint "quonda m regecottorum" which is noted in list of "Errata" on verso of "Tabula cartarum" (signature *A). In some copies this error was corrected at press, the reprinted leaf substituting the words "quondam rege Scottorum." Yale Law Library has one copy with that misprint, and two copies with the corrected text.

The tract *Observations on the Oxford Press* was previously published with title *To the Reverend Doctor Randolph, Vice Chancellor of the University of Oxford*. (See no. 243.) As published in the *Tracts*, an Advertisement on verso of special title page states: "This letter was originally written, and a few printed copies dispersed, on account of some differences of opinion which then subsisted in the University of Oxford, with respect to the management of . . . the Clarendon press . . . Some parts of the letter, which were penned in the heat of controversy . . . are in this edition totally omitted." The letter is dated "All Souls College: 21 May, 1757."

The lawyer's farewell to his muse.

This poem by Sir William Blackstone was written upon his entrance in the Middle Temple in the year 1741. Yale Law Library has this poem as printed in *The Biographical History of Sir William Blackstone*, London, 1782. See no. 252.

A letter from Sir William Blackstone, Knight, to the Honourable Daines Barrington, describing an antique seal; with some observations on its original, and the two successive controversies, which the disuse of it, afterwards occasioned.

This description of an antique seal, dated 8 March, 1775, was read at the Society of Antiquaries, March 30, 1775, and was printed by that Society. Yale Law Library has this letter as reprinted in *The Biographical History of Sir William Blackstone*, London, 1782. See no. 252.

A letter to the author of *The question stated*. By another member of Parliament. London, Printed for Charles Bathurst, MDCCLXIX. [241]

24 p. 19 x 12½ cm.

Yale University Library has two copies. This letter, unsigned, is dated 28 June, 1769. It was written to Sir William Meredith, in answer to the latter's anonymous pamphlet *The Question Stated, Whether the Freeholders of Middlesex Lost Their Right, by Voting for Mr. Wilkes at the Last Election?* published in 1769. The controversy arose concerning John Wilkes' right to sit as a member of Parliament. Blackstone replied in this *Letter* to the charge that his parliamentary debates were inconsistent with what he had advanced on the subject in his *Commentaries*. See no. 259-261.

A memoir, in discussion of the merits of Dr. Lyttleton, late dean of Exeter, now bishop of Carlisle, his curious ancient roll, containing both the Great charter, and that of the Forest, of 9 Hen. III. in order to prove the said roll, to be only a copy, in answer to the said bishop's Memoir, to prove the same an original.

This *Memoir*, dated 28 May, 1762, was read before the Society of Antiquaries in that year. Yale Law Library has this work in *The Biographical History of Sir William Blackstone*, London, 1782; it is reprinted from *Collectanea Curiosa*, by John Gutch, Oxford, 1781, vol. 2. See no. 252.

Observations on the Oxford press: in a letter to the Reverend Doctor Randolph, vice-chancellor of the University of Oxford.

Originally published in Oxford, 1757, with title *To the Reverend Doctor Randolph, Vice Chancellor of the University of Oxford*. (See no. 243.) A revised version is included in the author's *Tracts*, Oxford, 1771. See no. 240.

A reply to Dr. Priestley's Remarks on the fourth volume of the *Commentaries on the laws of England*. By the author of the *Commentaries*. London, Printed for C. Bathurst, MDCC-LXIX. [242]

28 p. 21½ x 13 cm.

Dated at end of text "Wallingford, Sept. 2, 1769." This work is in Yale University Library.

Yale Law Library has the *Reply* as reprinted in *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries*, and *The Palladium of Conscience*. See no. 255-257. For a Dublin reprint of the *Reply*, see no. 263a.

To the Reverend Doctor Randolph, vice chancellor of the
University of Oxford. [Oxford, 1757] [243]
32, 4 p. 24 x 19 cm.

Yale University Library has this letter on the inefficient management of the Oxford University press. It is signed "W. Blackstone. All Souls College: 21 May, 1757." Following p. 32 are four pages which begin "An accommodation of the matters in dispute." It is not clear whether this was issued with Blackstone's pamphlet. These two leaves are signatures A and [A₂]. These pages do not appear in the revised edition of this letter, included in the author's *Tracts*, 1771, p. [241]-279, which has title *Observations on the Oxford Press*. See no. 240.

Tracts, chiefly relating to the antiquities and laws of England.
See no. 240.

A treatise on the law of descents in fee-simple. By William
Blackstone . . . Oxford, At the Clarendon press, M.DCC.-
LIX. [244] 4
87 p. 2 folded tables. 21½ x 13 cm.

First edition. Verso of title page reads: "Imprimatur; Jo. Browne, vice-can. Oxon. Oct. 31, 1759." Author's "Advertisement," p. [3] is dated "All Souls' College. 2 Nov. 1759." Tables bound at end of volume are "A table of consanguinity" and "Table of descents."

A treatise on the law of descents in fee-simple. By William
Blackstone . . . Dublin, Printed for Richard Watts, M.DCC.-
LX. [245]
3 p. l. [5]-87 p. folded table. 20 x 12½ cm.

Reprinted from the text of no. 244, without the "additions and corrections" found in the edition which Blackstone revised and included in his *Law Tracts*, Oxford, 1762, vol. 1, p. [167]-257, and two unnumbered pages containing "Table of the canons of inheritance."

This Dublin reprint of 1760 was inserted by direction of the publisher in the author's *Law Tracts*, Dublin, 1767, between signatures K₄ and *L₁. It is listed on general title page of the *Law Tracts* as "III. The law of descents in fee-simple." Pages preceding p. 17 are incorrectly bound as follows: Half-title with verso containing author's "Advertisement" dated 2 Nov. 1759, title page, half-title with verso containing bookseller's advertisement, p. 7-8, [5]-6, 11-12, 9-10, 15-16, 13-14. The "Table of descents" which should face p. 67, is bound facing p. 67 of the author's *Law Tracts*, Dublin, 1767, with which the *Treatise* is bound. See no. 239.

A treatise on the law of descents in fee-simple; by William Blackstone, esq; barrister at law, Vinerian professor of the laws of England. [246]

(In *Conductor Generalis* . . . Woodbridge, in New-Jersey, Printed . . . by James Parker, M.DCC.LXIV. xvi, 592 p. 20 x 13 cm.)

Pages 550–572 comprise this first American printing of the *Treatise*. This is the first work of Blackstone which was printed in America. Portions of Blackstone's text, as found in the 1759 Oxford edition, are omitted; some of the author's footnotes are incorporated in the body of the text, others being omitted; the "Table of consanguinity" and "Table of descents" are omitted. This *Treatise* was not included in later editions of *Conductor Generalis*.

Verses on the death of His Royal Highness, Frederick, late Prince of Wales, father of His present Majesty, King George the Third.

This poem, written in 1751 by Sir William Blackstone, was published in the Oxford University collection entitled *Epicedia Oxoniensia in Obitum Celsissimi et Desideratissimi Frederici Principis Walliæ*, 1751, under the name of his brother-in-law, James Clitherow, of All Souls College. Yale University Library has this collection. In Clitherow's preface to Blackstone's *Reports* published after Blackstone's death, Blackstone's authorship of the *Verses* was revealed. Yale Law Library has the *Verses* in *The Biographical History of Sir William Blackstone*, London, 1782. See no. 252.

IX
BIOGRAPHY AND CRITICISM

BENTHAM. A comment on the Commentaries; a criticism of William Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, by Jeremy Bentham, now first printed from the author's manuscript, with introduction and notes by Charles Warren Everett. Oxford, Clarendon press, MDCCCXXVIII. [247] vii, [1], 253, [1] p. 23 x 15 cm.

According to the editor's preface, "The ms. of the *Comment on the Commentaries* was found in the course of an examination of the huge mass of Bentham's papers and letters in the library of University College, London." This manuscript was the original work from which Bentham's *Fragment on Government* had been detached and published. "The whole is a running comment on sections two and three of volume one of the *Commentaries*."

BENTHAM. A fragment on government; being an examination of what is delivered, on the subject of government in general, in the introduction to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries: with a preface, in which is given a critique on the work at large . . . London, Printed for T. Payne, P. Elmsly, and E. Brooke, M.DCC.LXXVI. [248] 2 p. l, lvii p., 1 l., 208 p. 21½ x 13½ cm.

This anonymous first edition of Jeremy Bentham's celebrated criticism of Blackstone is in Yale University Library. Preface, p. [i]-lvii, is without date. Soule's *Blackstone Bibliography* lists a Dublin reprint, 1776.

BENTHAM. A fragment on government; or, A comment on the Commentaries: being an examination of what is delivered on the subject of government in general, in the introduction to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries: with a preface, in which is given a critique on the work at large. By Jeremy Bentham . . . 2d ed., enlarged. London, Printed for W. Pickering, and E. Wilson [by T. White & co.] 1823. [249] xii, 3, [v]-lii, 143 p. 22 x 14 cm.
Errors in paging: p. 57 numbered 75, and 69 numbered 96.

A chronological list of works of Jeremy Bentham, including some unpublished works, is printed on three pages inserted between table of contents and "Preface to the first edition published in 1776."

BENTHAM. A fragment on government, by Jeremy Bentham. Edited with an introduction by F. C. Montague . . . Oxford, Clarendon press, 1891. [250]
 xii, 241 p. 23 x 15 cm.
 "Errata" slip inserted after p. xii.

A note on special title page for the reprint of Bentham's essay reads: "The first edition . . . 1776 . . . has been followed in the present reprint." Editor's preface dated December, 1890, states: "The introduction prefixed aims at shewing the place of Bentham in the history of thought, and the significance of the *Fragment* as a contribution to political philosophy." A "Life of Bentham" is included.

DAWES. A letter to Lord Chatham, concerning the present war of Great Britain against America; reviewing candidly and impartially its unhappy cause and consequence; and wherein the doctrine of Sir William Blackstone, as explained in his celebrated Commentaries on the laws of England, is opposed to ministerial tyranny, and held up in favor of America. With some thoughts on government. By a gentleman of the Inner Temple . . . London, Printed for G. Kearsly [1776] [251]
 1 p. l., ii, 60 p. 20½ x 14 cm.
 Page 16 incorrectly numbered 61.

Signed on p. 60 "M. D." The writer is Manasseh Dawes, known also as Matthew Dawes. Beginning on p. 61 [*i.e.* 16] Blackstone's doctrine is discussed. Yale University Library owns this copy.

The *British Museum Catalogue of Printed Books* lists a new edition, London, 1777.

DOUGLAS. The biographical history of Sir William Blackstone, late one of the justices of both benches . . . and A catalogue of all Sir William Blackstone's works, manuscript, as well as printed. With a Nomenclature of Westminster-Hall. The whole illustrated with notes, observations, and

references. Also, a preface and index to each part. By a gentleman of Lincoln's-Inn . . . London, Printed for the author, MDCCLXXXII. [252]

3 p. l. [iii]–xxix, [10], 125, [24] p., 2 l., iv, [4], 148, [36], xxxiv, xxxiii*–xxxiv*, xxxv–xxxvii, 44, [30] p. portrait. 22 x 14 cm.

Frontispiece: Gainsborough portrait of Blackstone, facing left; engraved by Jn. Hall.

The author of this anonymous work is D. Douglas. "Errata discovered by the author," [2] p. following title page, precedes dedication. Preface, p. [iii]–xxix, is dated "Trinity term . . . A.D. 1782." List of "Authorities" ten unnumbered pages, follows preface. "The biographical history of Sir William Blackstone," p. [1]–125, has its own index, twenty-four unnumbered pages. (This biography is a rambling expansion of Clitherow's life of Blackstone in his preface to Blackstone's *Reports*, London, 1781, vol. 1. See no. 225.)

The *Catalogue* has special title page: "A catalogue of Sir William Blackstone's writings, chronologically arranged: containing, all his works, manuscript, as well as printed. Among which, are given, genuine and correct copies, of the following very valuable, and scarce tracts, never before collected, viz. I. The lawyer's farewell, to his muse. II. Verses on the death of Frederick, late Prince of Wales, and father to His present Majesty. III. Description of an antique seal. IV. Discussion of the Lyttleton roll . . . By a gentleman of Lincoln's-Inn . . ." (This section has its own index, thirty-six unnumbered pages.)

The *Nomenclature* has special title page: "The nomenclature of Westminster-Hall; containing a chronology of all the lords chancellors, keepers and commissioners of the great seal [and others] . . . Commencing from Michaelmas term, 20 Geo. II. A.D. 1746; and ending at Michaelmas term, 20 Geo. III. A.D. 1779 . . ." (This section has its own index, thirty unnumbered pages.)

"Advertisement [relating to another work on Blackstone] intended speedily to be published, by the same author," four unnumbered pages inserted after preface to *Catalogue* section.

Yale Law Library has a copy containing the autograph of Charles Purton Cooper, English lawyer and antiquarian. He was the author of numerous law tracts and reports, and bibliographical works. A second copy contains a manuscript note signed "H. I. W." [H. I. Whitaker, librarian of Lincoln's Inn] attributing the authorship to Sylvester Douglas, afterwards Lord Glenbervie.

FURNEAUX. Letters to the Honourable Mr. Justice Blackstone, concerning his exposition of the Act of toleration, and some positions relative to religious liberty, in his celebrated Commentaries on the laws of England. By Philip Furneaux,

D.D. London, Printed for T. Cadell, successor to Mr. Millar, MDCCLXX. [253]

1 p. l., xv, [1], 166 p. 21 x 13 cm.
List of "Errata" on verso of p. xv consists of six lines.

First edition. Preface, p. [i]-ix, is without date or signature. A note on p. [x] reads: "N.B. The following Letters were nearly printed off, before the gentleman, to whom they are addressed, was appointed to the high station which he now fills in the law. This is mentioned as an apology for a form of address, which the reader will perceive is not suitable to his present character." (On February 9, 1770, Blackstone was appointed a justice of the Court of Common Pleas.)

These *Letters* are a criticism of passages in Blackstone's *Commentaries*, book IV, published 1769, which was not revised until the fourth edition was issued in 1770.

In the second edition of his *Letters*, 1771, Furneaux revised the text, the criticism of Blackstone being based on the fourth edition of the *Commentaries*.

FURNEAUX. Letters . . . The 2d ed., with additions, and an appendix, containing authentic copies of the argument of the late Honourable Mr. Justice Foster in the Court of Judges Delegates, and of the speech of the Right Honourable Lord Mansfield in the House of Lords, in the cause between the city of London and the dissenters. London, Printed for T. Cadell, successor to Mr. Millar, MDCCLXXI. [254]

xxiv, 284 p. 21½ x 14 cm.
Page 219 incorrectly numbered 119.
List of "Errata" on p. xxiv.

For title, *see* no. 253. Pages [iii]-[xviii] contain prefaces to the first and second editions, and an "Advertisement to the first edition" which is the note of apology quoted in no. 253.

This second edition was reprinted in Philadelphia as parts V-VI of *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries*, and in *The Palladium of Conscience*. In the American reprints, the table of contents is omitted, and the "Errata" of the English edition are corrected in the text of the American editions. *See* no. 255-257.

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201 An interesting appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England. Containing, I. Priestley's Remarks on some paragraphs in the fourth volume of

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Blackstone's Commentaries, relating to the dissenters. II. Blackstone's Reply to Priestley's Remarks. III. Priestley's Answer to Blackstone's Reply. IV. The case of the late election of the county of Middlesex considered on the principles of the constitution and the authorities of law. V. Furneaux's Letters to the Hon. Mr. Justice Blackstone concerning his exposition of the Act of toleration, and some positions relative to religious liberty, in his celebrated Commentaries on the laws of England. VI. Authentic copies of the argument of the late Hon. Mr. Justice Foster in the Court of Judges Delegates, and of the speech of the Right Hon. Lord Mansfield in the House of Lords, in the cause between the city of London and the dissenters. America: Printed for the subscribers, by Robert Bell, at the late Union-library, in Third-street, Philadelphia, MDCCLXXII. [255]

2 p. l., iv, [5]-119, xii, 155 p. 23 x 15½ cm.

Parts I-IV have continuous paging, and each part has a special title page dated MDCCLXXII; parts V-VI have continuous paging, and a single title page dated MDCCLXXIII.

Page 123 incorrectly numbered 113.

This copy is numbered "5" on binding. The *Appendix* was published by Robert Bell as vol. 5 of the first American edition of Blackstone's *Commentaries*, Philadelphia, 1771-1772. (See no. 80.) Bell's advertisement in vol. 3 of the *Commentaries* refers to this *Appendix* as "An American edition of—*An Interesting Appendix to . . . Blackstone's Commentaries*" and again as "this republication," but no British edition of this collection as a *whole* is known to have been published. For Dublin reprint of the first four tracts (from which Bell borrowed his title) see no. 263a.

Signatures: (6 unsigned), B-U₄, W-Z₄, Aa-Mm₄. All copies seen of this *Appendix* are eccentric in format; some leaves have vertical chain-lines, and some have horizontal chain-lines, in the same copy, and in only two copies seen, do all such leaves correspond as to chain-lines. In the copy described, p. 97 of part IV through p. 28 of part V have vertical chain-lines; all other pages have horizontal chain-lines.

The compiler of this *Catalogue* has seen five bibliographically different issues of this *Appendix*. A comparison of these indicates that portions of this *Appendix* were printed at various times, from three or more different settings of type. In addition to the variations in chain-lines described above, no two of these five correspond typographically throughout the volume. In issues which have part IV, *The Case of the Late Election* dated 1772 on the special title page, no author phrase appears, but in issues which have date 1773 for this part, the special title page reads: "By the author of Commentaries on

the laws of England." This tract is attributed to Sir William Blackstone and to Jeremiah Dyson. *See* no. 231.

Bell advertised both the octavo and quarto editions of this *Appendix*. In vol. 3 of his first American edition of the *Commentaries*, 1771-1772, an advertisement appears on verso of p. 455; it lists the contents of the *Appendix* and continues: "The editor . . . proposeth to publish by subscription the above mentioned performances (price one dollar and one half of a dollar) in neat law binding, in one volume royal octavo, printed on the same letter and paper with the American edition of said *Commentaries* . . . Robert Bell. Philadelphia, July 20, 1772. N.B. . . . The names of five hundred subscribers will be necessary to carry on this undertaking."

For advertisement concerning the quarto edition, *see* notes to no. 81. No *complete* issue of the *Appendix*, with horizontal chain-lines throughout, has been seen. An imperfect copy of this quarto vol. 5 has been collated by the compiler of this *Catalogue*. This quarto volume is in the American Antiquarian Society Library. It is unbound, and lacks parts II-III (p. [35]-56) *Blackstone's Reply to Priestley*, and *Priestley's Answer to Blackstone's Reply*, and p. 119 of part IV, *The Case of the Late Election*. The general title page duplicates that of the Yale Law Library octavo 1772 [-1773] issue. Parts I and IV special title pages are dated MDCCLXXII, exactly duplicating those title pages of the octavo issue. The single title page for parts V-VI is dated MDCCLXXIII.

Some distinguishing marks of the quarto edition of vol. 5 are as follows:

- (1) Chain-lines horizontal throughout the volume.
- (2) Page measurements 23.7 x 18 centimeters, or proportional. (Note that this corresponds to the proportions of the quarto vol. 4 which the Yale Law Library owns. *See* no. 81.)
- (3) Page 123 of part VI (Foster's Argument) is correctly numbered. (In the octavo edition, this page, with horizontal chain-lines, is numbered 113. The compiler has seen three copies with this page numbered 113.)
- (4) Page 129 of part VI has catchword "and" printed below last word of text "right." (In the octavo edition, p. 129, with horizontal chain-lines, has no catchword; the last word on the page is "right." The compiler has seen three copies like this with no catchword.)
- (5) On p. xii of part V (Furneaux's Letters) the quarto edition has 6.7 centimeters space between fifth line of text and the line "Advertisement to the first edition." (In an octavo issue which has this page with *horizontal* chain-lines this space measures 5.9 centimeters, and in an octavo issue which has this page with *vertical* chain-lines, this space measures 3.7 centimeters.)

Joseph Sabin's *Dictionary of Books Relating to America* lists a quarto edition of this *Appendix* with collation: iv, 276 p. Charles Evans' *American Bibliography* lists the octavo 1772 *Appendix*, and states: "Some copies were printed on large paper."

For the English editions of the tracts included in the *Appendix*, *see* the following items: *Priestley's Remarks*, no. 263; *Blackstone's Answer*, no. 242; *The Case of the Late Election*, no. 231; *Furneaux's Letters*, no. 254.

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An interesting appendix . . . [*Title as in no. 255*] America,
 Printed for the subscribers, by Robert Bell, at the late Union
 library, in Third-street, Philadelphia, MDCCLXXIII. [256]
 2 p. l., iv, [5]-119, xii, 155 p. 24 x 15 cm.

Parts I-IV have continuous paging, and each part has a special title page dated MDCCLXXIII; parts V-VI have continuous paging, and a single title page dated MDCCLXXIII. In parts V-VI, p. 19 and 123 are incorrectly numbered 15 and 113. Special title page of part IV reads: "By the author of Commentaries on the laws of England." (*See* notes to no. 255.) This reprint, like no. 255, is eccentric in format; some leaves with vertical chain-lines alternate with a few leaves with horizontal chain-lines throughout the volume.

The palladium of conscience; or, The foundation of religious liberty, displayed, asserted, and established, agreeable to its true and genuine principles, above the reach of all petty tyrants, who attempt to lord it over the human mind. Containing Furneaux's Letters to Blackstone. Priestley's Remarks on Blackstone. Blackstone's Reply to Priestley. And Blackstone's Case of the Middlesex-election; with some other curious tracts, worthy of high rank in every gentleman's literary repository, being a necessary companion for every lover of religious liberty. And an interesting appendix to Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England. America: Printed for the subscribers, by Robert Bell, at the late Union library, in Third-street, Philadelphia, MDCC-LXXIII. [257]

2 p. l., iv, [5]-119, xii, 155 p. 23 x 15 cm.
 Page 123 incorrectly numbered 113.

Published also with title *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries. The Palladium of Conscience* contains the same tracts, in the same arrangement, with special title pages for the parts dated MDCC-LXXIII, as in no. 256. Like no. 256, this reprint is eccentric in format, a few leaves with vertical chain-lines alternating with some leaves having horizontal chain-lines. Publisher's advertisement preceding title page describes Robert Bell's quarto edition of the *Commentaries*. *See* no. 81.

This copy, in Yale University Library, lacks p. 89-96 of *The Case of the Late Election*, and p. 29-36 of *Furneaux's Letters*.

The Palladium of Conscience was reprinted in octavo by Robert Bell, Philadelphia, 1774. A copy of this reprint is in the New York State Law Library.

A letter to Doctor Blackstone, occasioned by a certain passage in his Commentaries on the laws of England; concerning the character of the ecclesiastics of the present age. London, Printed for William Davenhill, 1770. [258]

1 p. l., 5-24 p. 21½ x 13 cm.

This letter on the ecclesiastics (Note title page misprint) is by an anonymous writer who criticizes Blackstone's "panegyric upon the clergy of the Church of England."

MEREDITH. Letter to Dr. Blackstone, by the author of The question stated . . . To which is prefixed, Dr. Blackstone's Letter to Sir William Meredith. London, Printed for G. Woodfall, and Messrs. Richardson and Urquhart, 1770.

2 p. l., 8, 60 p. 21 x 13 cm. [259]

Pages [1]-8 following title page, contain "A letter to the author of The question stated" by Sir William Blackstone, unsigned, dated 28 June, 1769. It was first published in London, 1769. (See no. 241.) Addressed to Sir William Meredith, in answer to the latter's anonymous pamphlet *The Question Stated*. (See no. 260.) Meredith's reply, p. [1]-60, is undated and unsigned. He continues the discussion of the law relative to the election and qualification of members of Parliament, with numerous quotations from Blackstone's *Commentaries* and Blackstone's other works.

MEREDITH. The question stated, whether the freeholders of Middlesex lost their right, by voting for Mr. Wilkes at the last election? In a letter from a member of Parliament to one of his constituents. London, Printed for G. Woodfall, and Messrs. Richardson and Urquhart [1769] [260]

2 p. l. [9]-72 p. 21 x 12½ cm.

Yale University Library has this first edition of Sir William Meredith's anonymous pamphlet. It concerns the controversy whether John Wilkes had a right to sit as a member of Parliament; Meredith charged that Sir William Blackstone's parliamentary debates were inconsistent with what he had advanced on the subject in his *Commentaries*.

For Blackstone's reply to Meredith's charges, see no. 241. For Meredith's answer to Blackstone's reply, see no. 259.

MEREDITH. The question stated . . . The 2d ed. . . . London,
Printed for G. Woodfall, and Messrs. Richardson and
Urquhart [1769?] [261]
2 p. l. [9]-72 p. 19 x 12½ cm.

Yale University Library has this second edition. For title, *see* no. 260. The first and second editions were anonymous. Meredith's name appeared on the pamphlet containing Blackstone's reply to Meredith and Meredith's answer to Blackstone's reply, published in 1770. (*See* no. 259.) For separate publication of Blackstone's reply, *see* no. 241.

An objection drawn from the Act of union, against a review of the liturgy, and other ecclesiastical forms, considered: in several letters to a divine of the Church of England. The whole now submitted to the impartial after-thoughts of William Blackstone, esq; author of the Commentaries on the laws of England . . . London, Printed for Edward and Charles Dilly, 1770. [262]
1 p. l., ii, iii, 100 p. 21½ x 13 cm.

On verso of title page: "N.B. The words introduction, section, and the like, occurring among the references without the name of any author, do point to Dr. Blackstone's *Commentaries*, vol. I." Following title page are a table of contents, ii p., and "Advertisement," iii p. In the text, which consists of five letters and a "Postscript," the anonymous author considers the Act of union of England and Scotland, 1707, and Blackstone's observations relative to "the preservation of the two churches of England and Scotland in the same state they were in at the time of the union, and the maintenance of the acts of uniformity which establish our Common-prayer" as expressed in book I of his *Commentaries*.

This tract is in Yale University Library.

The Palladium of Conscience. *See* no. 257.

PRIESTLEY. Remarks on some paragraphs in the fourth volume of Dr. Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, relating to the dissenters. By Joseph Priestley, LL.D. F.R.S. . . . London, Printed for J. Johnson and J. Payne, M.DCC.LXIX. [263]
1 p. l., 60 p. 20½ x 13 cm.
Dated on p. 60, "Leeds, July, 1769."

Blackstone replied to Priestley's *Remarks* in a letter dated Sept. 2, 1769.

(See no. 242.) American reprints of Priestley's *Remarks*, Blackstone's *Reply*, and Priestley's *Answer to Blackstone's Reply* are included in *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries*, and *The Palladium of Conscience*. See no. 255-257.

For a Dublin reprint of the *Remarks*, see no. 263a.

PRIESTLEY. Remarks on some paragraphs in the fourth volume of Dr. Blackstone's Commentaries on the laws of England, relating to the dissenters. By Joseph Priestley, LL.D. F.R.S. Also, A reply to Dr. Priestley's Remarks on the fourth volume of the Commentaries on the laws of England. By the author of the Commentaries. Likewise, Dr. Priestley's Answer to Dr. Blackstone's Reply. And, The case of the late election of the county of Middlesex, considered on the principles of the constitution, and the authorities of law. Published as an interesting appendix to Dr. Blackstone's Commentaries. Dublin, Printed for James Williams, MDCCLXX. [263a]

3 p. l. [5]-128 p. 21½ x 13 cm.

Each tract has a special title page; the first three are dated MDCCLXX; the fourth is dated MDCCLXIX.

Page 34 incorrectly numbered 24.

On title page of *The Case of the Late Election*, no author's name appears. See no. 231.

This Dublin reprint of the four separately published tracts, which were originally issued in London, is the source from which Robert Bell borrowed his title *An Interesting Appendix to Sir William Blackstone's Commentaries*, for the Philadelphia 1772 [-1773] reprint. Two additional tracts, not found in the Dublin collection, appear in Bell's reprint. See no. 255.

SEDGWICK. Remarks, critical and miscellaneous, on the Commentaries of Sir William Blackstone. By James Sedgwick . . . London, Printed by M. Ritchie, for G. G. & J. Robinson [etc.] 1800. [264]

x, [2], 304 p. 27½ x 22 cm.

Page 133 incorrectly numbered 132.

List of "Corrigenda" on verso of "Advertisement" consists of eight lines.

This is the quarto first edition. The author is designated on title page "James Sedgwick, of Pembroke College, Oxford; member of the honourable Society of the Middle Temple." The author's "Advertisement" on page

265.1 Sedgewick - - Remarks
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Butterworth, 1805. 304P.

following preface states: "The subjects discussed . . . are taken in the same regular order in which they occur in the *Commentaries*. The present remarks are confined to the first volume [of Blackstone]. The edition used by the writer is the eighth edition . . . Oxford . . . 1778." Quotations from Blackstone's text are printed in italics, with footnotes referring to Blackstone's paging.

SEDGWICK. *Remarks . . .* 2d ed. London, Printed for Mathews and Leigh [by Millar Ritchie] 1807. [265]
x, [2], 304 p. 27 x 22 cm.

For title, *see* no. 264. This is a quarto reprint from the plates of no. 264, with the same "Corrigenda" and page error.

Other reprints of Sedgwick's *Remarks* listed by bibliographers which have not been seen by the compiler of this *Catalogue* are as follows: London, 1804, octavo; second edition, London, 1805, quarto; and a second edition, London, 1807, octavo.

SHERIDAN. *Observations on the doctrine laid down by Sir William Blackstone, respecting the extent of the power of the British Parliament, particularly with relation to Ireland. In a letter to Sir William Blackstone, with a postscript addressed to Lord North, upon the affairs of that country.* The 2d ed. London, Printed for J. Almon, J. Dodsley, and E. and C. Dilly, M,DCC,LXXIX. [266]

1 p. l., 85 p., 1 l. 19½ x 12½ cm.

List of "Errata" on verso of title page; the same errata list with the type reset, is printed on recto of leaf at end.

This anonymous edition is in Yale University Library. The author is Charles Francis Sheridan, Irish lawyer and member of the Irish Parliament. The letter to Blackstone, p. 1-70, and "Postscript to Lord North," p. 71-85, are both signed "The author."

This work was first published in Dublin, 1779, with the author's name appearing on the title page; a copy of the Dublin edition "Printed for the Company of booksellers" (with collation: 87 p. 20½ cm.) is in the Library of Congress.

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