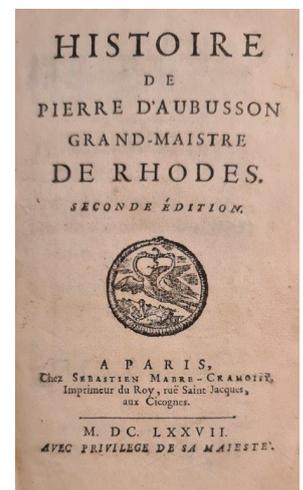


1. AUBUSSON. - **BOUHOURS, (Dominique), S.J.** Histoire de Pierre d'Aubusson, grand-maistre de Rhodes. With engr. bird's view of the city of Rhodes and its surroundings, and printer's mark on title. (8) leaves, 471 pp., (21) leaves. 12mo. Contemp. calf. Paris, Mabre-Cramoisy, 1677. CHF 380.-

One of the chief works of D. Bouhours (1628-1702), who became private tutor to the two sons of Henri II d'Orléans. Pierre d'Aubusson (1423-1503) was Grand Master of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem (the Knights Hospitaller), he defended Rhodes against an army of 100'000 Turks, and thus stayed the career of Sultan Mahomet II who, after establishing himself in Constantinople, was threatening to overrun Europe. This is not only a biography, but also a history of the Order. Present here is its second original printing (first 1676).- Nice copy. - *Atabey 142; Blackmer 180; Hellwald, p. 140.*



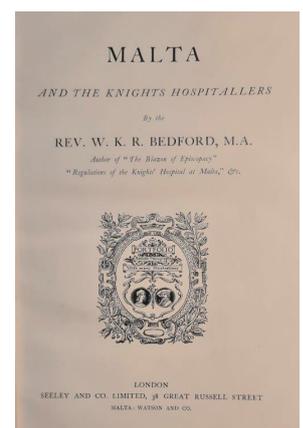
2. **BECKMANN, Johann Christoph.** Beschreibung des Ritterlichen Johanniter-Orden und dessen absonderlicher Beschaffenheit im Herrn-Meistertum in der Marck, Sachsen, Pommern und Wendland. Samt vorhergehenden General-Reflexionen über die Ritterliche Creutz-Orden. Mit nöthigen Anmerkungen, Verzeichniss der Geschicht-Schreiber von diesem Orden und Fortsetzung dessen Geschichte bis auf iletzige Zeiten, auch einem Anhang mit Extract aus denen Capitul-Schlüssen, iletzigem Ceremoniel, und anderen Beylagen. Vermehret von Justus Christoph Dithmar. Title printed in red and black. With engr. frontispiece portrait of Albrecht Frederick, Margrave of Brandenburg, Baillivus since 1696, and emblematic title-vignette with the mottos "Non est mortale quod opto" and "Aliis inserviendo consumor". 12 unnn. leaves, 312 pp.; 98 pp. (appendix), 7 unnn. leaves (index). Small 4to. Orig. vellum, spine with label dyed dark brown, blind- and gilt-stamped. Frankfurt a.d. Oder, Johann Gottfried Conradi, 1726. CHF 2400.-



Last and best edition of a detailed history of the Order of St. John, known also later as the Knights of Rhodes and Knights of the Sovereign Order of Malta. It is divided into three periods until the end of the 18th century: from the foundation of the order in Jerusalem during the first crusade to its expulsion from the Holy Land after the fall of the Latin kingdom; from 1309/10, when the order was established in Rhodes, to its expulsion from the island in 1522; from 1529 to 1798, when its headquarters were in Malta. The Protestant branch of the order of St. John has a most interesting history, on which the present work by Beckmann focuses; it is augmented with additional material by J. Chr. Dithmar. Five preliminary leaves contain a bibliographical list of about 90 works on related topics. - Old ms. owner's entry on pastedown, light browning throughout, otherwise a fine copy. - *Schreckenbach, Mark Brandenburg I, 6127; Pflugk-Harttung, Die Anfänge des Johanniterordens in Deutschland, besonders in der Mark Brandenburg und in Mecklenburg (1899); cf. Wolfstieg 5243; VD18 14824728-001*

3. **BEDFORD, W(illiam) K. R(iland).** Malta and the Knights Hospitallers. With 4 engr. plates and illus. on plates or in the text. 80 pp. 4to. Orig. red cloth, gilt title on spine (some spots). London, Seeley and, Malta, Watson, (1894). CHF 260.-

"The Portfolio". Second edition probably. Bedford (1826-1905) was one of the Chaplains of the Order of St. John in England, and author of this present history of Malta and its surrounding, and the history of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.- Nice copy. - *Hellwald, p. 22.*



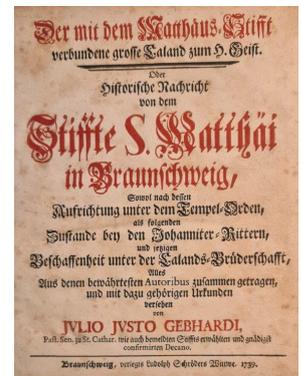
4. CRITIEM, John Edward, (ed.). Fine Bookbindings from the National Library of Malta and the Magistral Palace, Library and Archives Sovereign Military Order of Malta, Rome. Exhibition catalogue. With an introd. by Michel Wittock. With numerous illus. 165 pp. Small folio. Orig. dark red illus. wrappers. Malta, 1999. CHF 90.-

5. DITHMAR, Justus Christoph. Genealogisch-Historische Nachricht Von denen Hochwürdigsten und Durchlauchtigsten Herren-Meistern des Ritterlichen Johanniter-Ordens in der Marck, Sachsen, Pommern und Wendland, Samt Des Jetzigen Herren-Meisters, Printz Carln,... Wahl und Installation... 2 parts in 1 vol. Title printed in red and black. With 16 engr. plates, and 1 folding genealogical table. 3 leaves, 128 pp.; 83 pp. 4to. Contemp. sprinkled boards (somewhat rubbed). Exlibris Eugen Graf Sylva Tarouca 1880. Frankfurt a.d. Oder, Jeremias Hartmann, 1737. CHF 1850.-

First edition. Dithmar (1677-1737) was professor of law in Frankfurt/Oder, and historian. He had the function of a counsellor in the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, which was founded in 1099. In 1726, he published a revised and enlarged edition of Beckmann's "Beschreibung des ritterlichen Johanniter-Orden", and wrote a history of the order in 1728; the present "Nachricht" is his final work on the subject. Each of the engraved plates shows four coats of arms. - Title and preliminaries somewhat cropped at lower margin, upper outer corner of title restored, otherwise a good copy of this rare work. - *Hellwald, p. 103.*



6. GEBHARDI, Julius Justus. Der mit dem Matthäus-Stiftt verbundene grosse Caland zum H. Geist. Oder Historische Nachricht von dem Stifte S. Matthäi in Braunschweig, Sowol nach dessen Aufrichtung unter dem Tempel-Orden, als folgenden Zustande bey den Johanniter-Rittern, und jetzigen Beschaffenheit unter der Calands-Brüderschafft, Alles Aus denen bewährtesten Auctoribus zusammen getragen, und mit dazu gehörigen Urkunden versehen. Title printed in red and black. With frontispiece- portrait of the author in photocopy, and 2 woodcut seals. 6 unnn. leaves, 178 pp., 3 unnn. leaves. Small 4to. Contemp. boards (library release stamp). Braunschweig, Ludolph Schröder's widow, 1739. CHF 220.-



First edition of this well-documented history of the convent of St. Matthew's in Braunschweig (Lower Saxony), founded by the Knights Templar. The author describes in chapter I the origins and history of the Order of the Templars up to their dissolution. Chapter II deals with the Order of St. John, into whose possession the Braunschweig estates of the Templars and the convent came. Chapter III is a history of the "Fraternitates Kalendarum St. Spiritus", a brotherhood of clergy and laymen at St. Matthew's. - First quire light browning as usual, otherwise a good copy. - *VD18 104170797; Wolfstieg 5407; Lennhoff/Posner 810f.; Jöcher/Adelung II, 1374; Hellwald, p. 100.*

7. GRITZNER, Maximilian. Handbuch der Ritter- und Verdienstorden aller Kulturstaaten der Welt innerhalb des XIX. Jahrhunderts. With 760 (recte 765) wood-engravings in the text. XIII, 618 pp. 8vo. Contemp. vellum with gold-plated vignette showing the Prussian "Stern des Schwarzen Adlerordens", all edges red (slightly rubbed). Leipzig, J. J. Weber, (1893). CHF 150.-



Generously illustrated directory of orders of honor and merit in European and non-European countries as well as house orders of the aristocracy. Sorted alphabetically by country, it includes the Order of St. John.- Some leaves with libr. stamps, owner's name on first fly-leaf, otherwise nice.

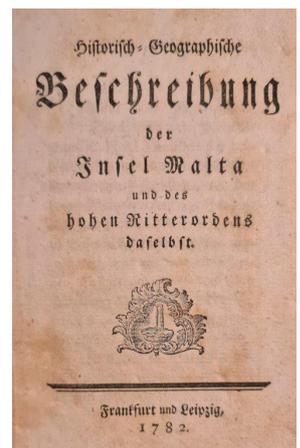
8. HERRLICH, C(arl). Die Balley Brandenburg des Johanniter-Ordens von ihrem Entstehen bis zu Gegenwart und in ihren jetzigen Einrichtungen dargestellt. With frontispiece- portrait. 8 pp., 244 pp. 4to. Orig. cloth (back rep.). Berlin, Carl Heymanns, 1886. CHF 350.-

First trade edition. A privately printed edition not for sale and only for private circulation was published in 1874 (3 leaves, 187 pp.). Three more editions appeared in 1891, 1896 and 1904. The large portrait photograph depicts Albrecht Prince of Prussia (1836-1906), Field Marshal, Knight of the Order of the Golden Fleece, etc. in full size and vestments as Grand Master of the Bailiwick of Brandenburg of the Order of St. John. Prince Albrecht succeeded his uncle Carl in 1883 as Grand Master until his death. The Order of Saint John of the Hospital at Jerusalem is the oldest chivalric order, which generally is considered to have been founded in Jerusalem in the year 1099. The protestant Bailiwick of Brandenburg was restored by King Frederick William IV of Prussia in 1852.- A good copy. - *Hellwald, p. 104.*



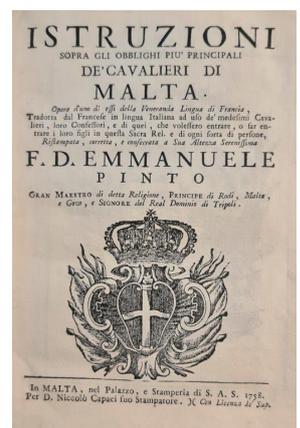
9. HISTORISCH-GEOGRAPHISCHE Beschreibung der Insel Malta and des hohen Ritterordens daselbst. With woodcut printer's mark on title and vignettes. 39 pp. 8vo. Contemp. boards. Frankfurt and Leipzig, n.pr., 1782. CHF 420.-

A historical description of the Island of Malta and the Order of St. John, present in Malta from 1530 to 1798.- Nice.



10. ISTRUZIONI sopra gli obblighi piu principali de' cauallieri di Malta. Opera d'uno di essi della... lingua di Francia (ed. by F.A.Pouget) tradotta del Francese... With a dedication to Emanuel Pinto da Fonseca by G.B. Alessandri. Title with woodcut coat of arms, 1 full-page engraving with coat of arms of the Order, head- and endpieces and initials in woodcut. (6) ff., IX pp., 1 leaf, 149 pp., (1) p. 4to. Contemporary vellum. Malta, Niccolo Capaci for nel Palazzo, e Stamperia di S.A.S, 1758. CHF 2250.-

First edition in Italian. A French version of instructions on the main duties of the Knights of Malta appeared already in 1713. Manuel Pinto da Fonseca (1661-1773) was the 68th Grand Master of the Order of Saint John of Jerusalem from 1741 until his death. In 1764 he negotiated with King Frederick II (the Great) of Prussia a re-unification of the Protestant Bailiwick of Brandenburg. But as Pope Clement XIII would not allow admission into a Roman Catholic organization of men viewed as heretics by the Church, the agreement came to naught. Pinto undertook many buildings projects, introducing the Baroque style throughout Malta. The book was printed by N. Capaci, a Sicilian typographer who established the second press in Malta in 1756. - A nice and rare copy. - *Cf. Hellwald, p. 231; see Cavagna, Anna. La tipographica professione di Niccolo Capaci. Milan, 2005.*

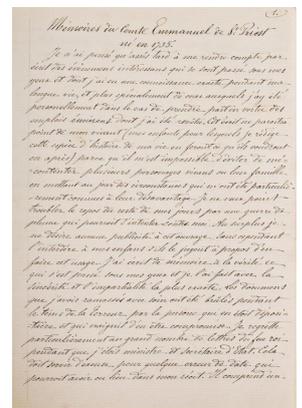


11. (PÜCKLER-MUSKAU, Hermann Ludwig Heinrich Fürst von). Südöstlicher Bildersaal. 3 vols. With 15 (4 handcolored) lith. plates and several text illus. 480 pp.; 4 leaves, 496 pp.; 3 leaves, 584 pp. 8vo. Somewhat later half vellum with gilt spine labels, orig. printed wrappers bound in. Stuttgart, Hallberger, 1840-41. CHF 950.-



First edition of Prince Pückler-Muskau's (1785-1871) account of a journey to Greece and Malta, undertaken in 1836-37. As a nobleman travelling in style he was everywhere welcome to move in the best society. He was one of the most original travel writers of the 19th century, paying attention to numerous details nobody else deemed worth mentioning. His books were very popular as his style was versatile and entertaining, and his descriptions showed a keen appreciation of art and literature. - Lightly browned throughout, parts somewhat dust-soiled or waterstained, plates clean. otherwise a nice copy. - *Wilpert/Gühning 9; Goedeke XIV, 719, 451; Borst 1959.*

12. SAINT-PRIEST, François-Emmanuel GUIGNARD, Comte de. Mémoires. Manuscript on paper. 373 pp. 4to (300 x 240 mm). Half red morocco. (N. pl., mid- 19th century). CHF 4400.-



A very interesting testimony of the diplomatic career of count Saint-Priest (1735-1821), who was a French politician and diplomat during the Ancien Régime and French Revolution. He was appointed ambassador to the Ottoman Empire in 1768 and remained there, with the exception of an interval (1776-1778), until 1785. Here, in Constantinople he married Wilhelmina von Ludolf. His memoirs comprise a history of French relations with the Ottoman Empire, biographies of previous French ambassadors and agents to the Porte, and a history of French commerce and navigation in the Levante.

Born in Grenoble, he was admitted as a knight (Chevalier) to the Order of Malta at four years of age, and at fifteen he entered the army. In Necker's second cabinet in 1789 he became secretary to the royal household of Louis XVI and Minister of the Interior. Later, Saint-Priest accompanied Louis XVIII's exiled court to Blankenburg and Mittau.

This present manuscript was probably copied from the original manuscript: This is indicated by the pencil corrections from a different hand that enameled the text, informs on mistakes and inserts correct names. The gilt lettering on the back of the volume reads: "Mémoires (sur l'ambassade de France en Turquie et sur le commerce des Français dans le Levant) du Cte Emmanuel de St. Priest Ambassadeur et Pair de France 1735-1821 Revues et corrigées par le comte Alexis de Saint-Priest de l'Académie Française". Comte Alexis de Saint-Priest (1805-1851), was the grandson of François-Emmanuel, i.e. son of François-Emmanuel's second son Armand-Emmanuel-Charles de Saint-Priest (1782-1863), also diplomat, who later became Governor of Poldolia and Odessa in Russia. Alexis returned to Paris, was noted in literary circles, became a member of the Académie Française, and is mentioned in the preface of the original edition of the "Mémoires" (Calmann-Lévy, 1929) by the baron de Barante. Alexis de Saint-Priest entrusted the manuscript of this memory to Prosper de Barante as the basis of a biography published in 1845: "Quant aux Mémoires originaux, leur publication avait paru à mon arrière grand-père aussi bien qu'au comte Alexis de Saint-Priest comme tout au moins prématurée." At the beginning of the 19th century this manuscript was still in the hands of a descendant of Barante, who was responsible for the publishing. Our copy of the mid- 19th century was most likely created from the original manuscript and corresponds with important variants in the printed editions of the Mémoires. Saint-Priest relates there with great precision his role as ambassador. His famous portrait of Marie-Antoinette is found here in chapter XIX (p. 271-291) of the pres-

ent manuscript. The descriptions continue up to 1802 and notably include his role at the Imperial court in Russia of Paul I (Grand Master of the Order of Malta) and the last years of Catherine the Great, as well as his stay in Denmark and Norway. - 1 page repaired with tape, 1 small tear in another page not affecting the text, otherwise a nice and clean copy. - Cf. *Hellwald, p. 282; Saint-Priest, Mémoires... annotée par Nicolas Mietton (2006).*

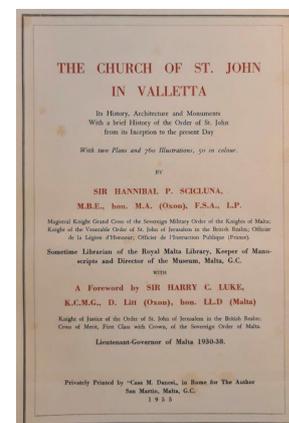
13. SALLACH, Alexander von. Die Orden und Ehrenzeichen unserer Republik. 4th enlarged and corrected edition. With c. 1490 illus. in color. 700 pp. Folio (290 x 210 mm). Orig. decorated boards. Regenstein, Battenberg, 2011. CHF 150.-

This very colorful, lavishly designed volume gives a comprehensive overview on the labeling system in 20th century Germany, with almost 1500 awards. Included are the medals or crosses of honor of the Order of St. John, and the Teutonic Order which was the true cradle of Prussia, a.o. - As new.



14. SCICLUNA, Hannibal P. The Church of St. John in Valetta. Its History, Architecture and Monuments. With a brief History of the Order of St. John from its Inception to the present Day...with a foreword by Sir Harry C. Luke. Title printed in red and black, With 2 plans and 760 tipped-in illus., of which 50 are in color. LIII, 428 pp. 4to. Orig. red cloth, front cover decorated with the Maltese Cross, lettering on spine, new endpapers (rebacked). San Martin (Malta), the author and for Rome, Danesi, 1955. CHF 350.-

No. 973 of 2000 copies printed, signed by the author. A privately printed monumental work by the historian Sir Hannibal P. Scicluna (1880-1981), Knight of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, and best known for his numerous publications on the Order of St. John at Malta and Gozo. At the beginning a list a subscribers.- Nice and fresh copy.



15. STATUTA HOSPITALIS HIERUSALEM. Ed. by Giovanni Battista Rondinelli. Fine etched title with the figures of Faith, Charity, and Hope, 1 plate showing the investiture of Hughes de Loubens-Verdale as cardinal, engraved divisional title, 12 plates with 48 portrait medallions engraved by Philippe Thomassin, 1 plate (portraits of the last 3 Grand Masters) signed by Gijsbert van Veen, 1 plate (portrait of Loubens-Verdale, unsigned); 21 large etchings in a brownish tint incl. 1 map of Malta and 1 plan of Valletta, all surrounded by fine woodcut borders (4 variants). 3 leaves, 203 (1) pp., 4 unnn. pp., (1) blank leaf, 8 leaves index (title to index within wide woodcut border, with red cardinal's hat over the coat of arms of Loubens-Verdale). Small folio. Modern stiff boards (using a leaf of a Hebraic ms.). (Rome, Typografia del Popolo Romano, 1588). CHF 15800.-



First edition of this new revision of the statutes of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, founded in 1099. This is one of the finest illustrated books of the Roman mannerism. Its woodcut material is borrowed from the Blado edition of 1556. The splendid work contains portraits of 52 dignitaries, from the Blessed Gérard, and Raimond du Puy, who set down the rules in 1137, to Grand Master Hugues de Loubens-Verdale. They are the work of Philippe Thomassin (1562-1622) from Troyes, one of the best engravers of his time, teacher of Jacques Callot and Nicolas Cochin. The other illustrations show, with great accuracy of costumes, scenes

representing the order's central tenets, ideological and charitable aims. Many of the plates show the Grand-Master Hugues de Loubens-Verdale and in two of these he is seen being made a Cardinal by Sixtus V, an event which occurred in 1587. Of great importance are the maps of Malta and Valetta, the city which had been built by the Grand-Master Jean Parisot de la Valette (1494-1568) following the unsuccessful siege of the Turks in 1565; the Order had been invested with the island in 1530 by Emperor Charles V. Thereafter the Catholic branch changed the name into "Order of Malta". The fine, unsigned title-page with its elongated figures is similar to the work of Jacques Bellange. This copy includes 8ff. "Index materium" by Tolomeo Veltroni, from which the date is taken. - Light waterstain in lower edge, first 2 leaves carefully restored (no loss), altogether a good copy. - *Mortimer (Italian)* 273 (in detail, with illus.: "not all copies contain the index"); *STC (Italian)* 358; *Lipperheide Of* 3; *Adams J-151, J-152, J-284*; *Sotheby's, Schäfer Coll. I (Italian Books)* 104; *Hellwald, p. 216*.

BINDING WITH THE MALTESE CROSS IN GOLD AND SILVER

16. STATUTI DELLA SACRA Religione Gerosolimitana; le ordinazioni dell' ultimo Capito Generale, che sono le sole, che sussistono; il nuovo Cerimoniale prescritto dalla Santità di N. Sig. Papa Urbano VIII. sopra l' Elezione de' Gran Maestri; il modo, o sia instruzione Di far i Processi de' Miglioramenti delle Commende...e come deouono farsene li Cabrei; l' ordine, che si tiene nel dar l' Arbitro, a chi professa nella Religione; E per ultimo i privilegi concessi da' Sommi Pontefici alla Religione, e suoi Dependenti. 6 parts in 1 vol. With woodcut illustrations of the Cross and large initials. (8) pp. incl. engraved allegorical title, dated 1718, 16, 308 pp.; engr. title (repeated), 210 pp.; printed title with coat of arms of Pope Urbanus VIII in woodcut, 12 pp.; 32 pp. incl. printed title with same coat of arms; 116 pp. incl. St. John's cross on title; (4) pp. incl. engr. title (repeated), 120 pp. Folio. Contemporary calf, with cross of the Order of St. John of Malta in gold and silver in center inlaid on both covers, gilt spine with raised bands, richly tooled in compartments, red sprinkled edges (310 x 210 mm).

(Borgo Nova, Antonio Scionico, 1719).

CHF 7500.-

First edition of this new revision of the statutes of the Order of St. John of Malta, when Fra Raimondo de Perellos from Aragon was the 64th Grand Master of the Order (1697 to 1720). At the expense of Bailli Fr. Giovanni Battista Spinola the work was printed at the Spinola palace in Borgo Nova. After commanding the galleys G.B. Spinola became admiral of the Fleet, and later was appointed ambassador of the order. In 1733 the palace in Rocchette/Roccaforte near Genova was passed to him. This splendid work contains an important collection of texts all dated 1718:

- 1-2). Statuti della Sac. Religione di S. Gio Gerosolimitano.
- 3). Ordinationi del Capitolo Generale celebrato nell' anno MDDDCXXXI de fu Em.mo e Rev. Gran Maestro Fra Antonio de Paola con un indice volgare.
- 4). S.D.N.D. Urbani Divina Provientia Papae VIII Caeremoniale super electione Magni Magistri Hospitalis S. Ioannis Hierosolymitani.
- 5). Privilegi della sacra religione di San Giovanni Gerosolimitano con un Indice volgare.
- 6). Compendio alfabetico de' Statuti della sacra religione

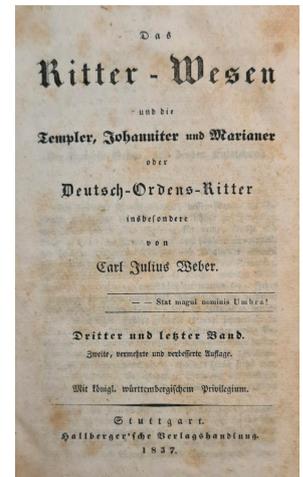
Gerosolimitana per facilia' alla ricognitione de' medemi del fu Venerando Gran Prior di Lombardia Garavita. Following the unsuccessful siege of the Turks the Order had to leave Rhodos in 1522, and thereafter was invested with the islands of Malta and Gozo in 1530 by emperor Charles V. From this time the Catholic branch changed the name into "Order of Malta". - A fresh and good copy in an interesting



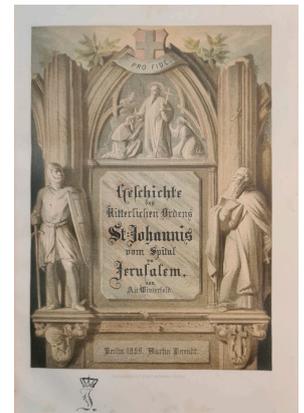
binding. - Cf. *Fine Bookbindings from the National Libr. of Malta*, p. 88 (1999); *Fumagalli*, p. 48; *Hellwald*, p. 219 (calls for a portrait); cf. *Library of the Order of Malta* (also lacks the portrait as usual).

17. WEBER, Carl Julius. Das Ritter-Wesen und die Templer, Johanniter und Marianer oder Deutsch-Ordens-Ritter insbesondere. 2nd enlarged and corrected edition. 3 vols. in 2. 8vo. Contemporary half calf, spine gilt. Stuttgart, Hallberger'sche Verlagshandlung, 1836-37. CHF 750.-

"Sämmtlich Werke, vols. 12-14". Karl Julius Weber (1767-1832), was an important German writer. Among his significant works is this present history of chivalry. After 1118 Templars and Hospitaller arose. The latter became the hospital brotherhood in Jerusalem, and defender against the Turks. The Teutonic Order was the true cradle of Prussia. - A nice copy. - *Goedeke IX*, 186,6.



18. WINTERFELD, A(dolf) v(on). Geschichte des Ritterlichen Ordens St. Johannis vom Spital zu Jerusalem. Mit besonderere Berücksichtigung der Ballei Brandenburg oder des Herrenmeisterthums Sonnenburg. With lith. title, 18 mostly full-page illustrations (among them there are the color lithogr. frontispiece-portrait of Carl Prince of Prussia, 2 lithogr. color portraits of the Knights, 1 folded map of the Holy Land, plans of Jerusalem, Valetta and the Islands of Rhodes, Malta, Gozo and Comino, etc.), and some further illustrations in the text (Sonnenburg, etc.). XVI, 896 pp. 4to (260 x 200 mm). Contemp. decorated red cloth, all edges gilt (slightly worn). Berlin, Martin Berendt, 1859. CHF 420.-



First edition of this history of the Order of St. John by the Prussian officer A. v. Winterfeld (1824-1888). The Order of St. John of Jerusalem was founded in 1099. The Catholic Order of Malta is linked to the Holy See, but is independent and a sovereign subject of international law. The Bailiwick of Brandenburg became protestant in the 16th century, and is a branch from the same tree.- A good copy.

19. ZWEHL, Hans Karl von. Nachrichten über die Armen- und Kranken-Fürsorge des Ordens vom Hospitals des heil. Johannes von Jerusalem oder Souveränen Malteser-Ritterordens. Anlässlich der internationalen Hygiene-Ausstellung in Dresden. Als Manuskript gedruckt. VII, 108 pp. Large-8vo. Orig. printed wrappers. Rome, (n.pr.), April 1911. CHF 280.-

Privately printed. About the welfare of the Sovereign Order of the Maltese Knights.

