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1 **WICQUEFORT,(Abraham de).** L'Ambassadeur et ses Fonctions par Monsieur de Wicquefort,. Derniere edition. Augmentee des Reflexions sur les Memoires pour les Ambassadeurs. De la Reonse a l'Auteur.....& des Electeurs par le mesme Auteur. Cologne. Chez Pierre Marteau. 1715.

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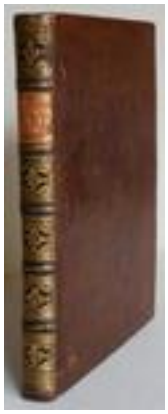

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(242 x 187). pp, (viii), 237, (3). Text in French. Title page in red and black with engraved vignette. Marbled free endpapers removed ? Red all edges. Contemporary full calf with five raised bands. Richly gilt decoration to compartments and tan and gilt title label. A very good copy. A French Huguenot, Jean Rousset de Missy (1686-1762) was a renowned historian and author. He wrote extensively on international law and his books were important reference works for diplomats. He was also an authority on ceremonial as testified by the current scarce work on rank and precedence in the courts of Europe.