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1 **THORPE, Mary & Charlotte. (Preface by Edwin Freshfield).** London Church Staves : With some Notes on their Surroundings. London. Elliot Stock. 1895.
£18.00

(260 x 172). pp, xiii, (1), 76, (2). Illustrated with line drawings. Armorial bookplate on front pastedown (Sir A.E. Richardson, a leading architect). Some light browning. Fore and lower edges uncut and a little dusty. Blue cloth. printed in black on upper board and rubbed gilt title to spine. Corners bumped and a little worn, edges rubbed. Very good.

2 **CORR, Gerard M.** Servites in London. An Account of the Coming of the Servite Fathers to England and of the Founding of the English Province of the Order. Newbury. The Servite Fathers. 1952.
£20.00

(184 x 121). pp, 109, (3). Black and white frontspiece and 8 plates. Inscribed in ink on front free endpaper. Black and gilt cloth. Unclipped dustjacket, with some watermarks, in clear protective wraps. A very good copy. Inscribed, signed and dated 1953 by the Author. A popular account of the work of the early Servite Fathers in London and of the founding of the English Province of the Order. Copac locates 8 copies.

3 **(WARD, Edward).** A Compleat and Humorous Account of all the Remarkable Clubs and Societies in the Cities of London and Westminster, From the R----L S----Y down to the Lumber-Troop, &c. Their Original with Characters of the most noted.....upwards of Twenty Years. London. Printed for J. Wren. 1756. (Seventh edition).
£475.00

(156 x 95). pp, xii, (2), 327, (1). (Note. 247 pp in total. pp 121-247 incorrectly paginated 201-327). Age toned paper and endpapers lightly soiled. Half calf with marbled paper covered boards a little rubbed. Title label lacking from spine. A good sound copy. Very amusing, this satirical work describes mostly fictitious clubs and societies from the Farting Club to the Thieves Club.

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BILLINGS,Robert William. Architectural Illustrations and account of the Temple Church. London. Thomas and William Boone.1838.

£325.00

(280 x 214). pp, vi, 2, 55, (1). 31 plates incl. frontispiece and second title. also with 'An Account of the Temple Church' by Sidney Smirke with 30 further plates. Some spotting. Marbled all edges. Half calf with marbled paper covered boards. Modern reback in gilt calf. A very good copy with plates complete. A large book which may be subject to additional postage.