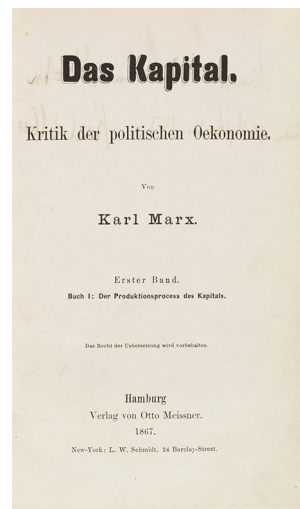
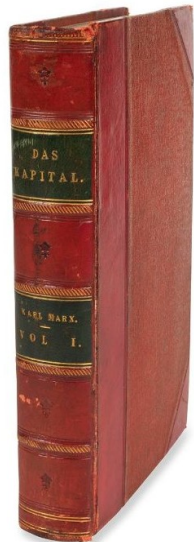


Auction Underlines Strong Demand For Rare Books



Karl Marx: Das Kapital. Kritik der politischen Oekonomie. Dedication copy. First volume. Book I: Der Produktionsprocess des Kapitals. Hamburg, O. Meissner and New York, L. W. Schmidt 1867. Sold for € 137,500

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The Rare Books auction at Ketterer Rare Books in Hamburg once again showed that the demand for vintage books is still strong. Numerous works found new homes with collectors and literature lovers, proving that the enthusiasm for valuable books and manuscripts continues. The dedication copy of **Karl Marx'** s magnum opus "Das Kapital" (1867) was the auction's top lot, fetching a result of € 137,500 as a result of active telephone bidding. Other highlights include one of the early Roman editions of "Vedute di Roma" (1748-1769) [result: € 65,000] by **Giovanni Battista Piranesi** and the magnificently illustrated book of caterpillars, flowers and butterflies (result: € 45,000) by **Maria Sibylla Merian** from 1730.

"We were delighted to see both familiar and new faces in our audience this time around, and we were also gratified to see that we were able to realize many sales in this auction that exceeded the estimate price by far, including the first edition of "Critik der reinen Vernunft" by **Immanuel Kant** from 1781 (estimate: € 9,000; sold for € 22,500), "Die Lage der arbeitenden Klasse in England", published by **Friedrich Engels** in 1845 (estimate: € 4,000 ;

sold for € 21,250), as well as a special copy of the first edition of **Martin Heidegger's** influential magnum opus "Sein und Zeit" from 1926 (called up at € 2,000; sold for € 20,625)", explains Christoph Calaminus, auctioneer and head of the Rare Books department at Ketterer Kunst in Hamburg.

Select works from the Rare Books auction on May 27, 2024



Giovanni Battista Piranesi
 Vedute di Roma. (Rome 1748-1769).
 Estimate price: € 60,000
 Sold for: € 65,000



Maria Sibylla Merian
 De Europische Insecten. Bound in: Surinaamsche Insecten, 1730.
 Estimate price: € 30,000
 Sold for: € 45,000



Immanuel Kant
 Critik der reinen Vernunft, 1781.
 Estimate price: € 12,000
 Sold for: € 22,500



Friedrich Engels
 Die Lage der arbeitenden Klasse in England, 1845.
 Estimate price: € 5,000
 Sold for: € 21,500



Martin Heidegger
 Sein und Zeit. Copy of Gilbert Ryle, 1926.
 Estimate price: € 2,500
 Sold for: € 20,625

Find all the works in the auction here.

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