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**History of Conjuring and Magic**, 1928 First Edition, 235 pages (not the 1930 edition abridged to 82 pages). \$150

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### **Professor Hoffmann**

**Modern Magic**, London, First Edition (with Routledge emblem on title page), original pictorial cloth in orange, missing rear free endpaper, a very solid, attractive copy with bright gilt. \$1,000

**More Magic** London, Routledge, 1893 second dated edition, VG copy in ornate cover and spine. \$150

**Conjurer Dick**, First Edition with both Hoffmann and Angelo J. Lewis named on the cover, a beautiful copy in extraordinary pictorial gilt, silver, blue and black on orange cloth. Missing front free endpaper. Bob paid \$450, perhaps a bit steep even for such a beautiful copy. Let's make it \$350.

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**The Book of Card and Table Games**, 1898 Second Edition Revised & Enlarged, 650 pages, orig. cloth, \$100

**Routledge Every Boy's Annual, 1889**. More Magic was first serialized in two Annuals, 1888 and 1889, this containing the second half and was the final Annual. Original colorful cloth, solid copy. Bob paid \$150, let's make it \$100

### **Houdini**

**The Unmasking of Robert-Houdin**, New York, 1908. Original pictorial cloth, missing front free endpaper and frontispiece. Inscribed by Ernest Thorn to Helmut Schreiber (Kalanag) on title page. \$200

**The Original Houdini Scrapbook** by Walter Gibson, Oak Tree Press HARDBOUND edition, fine. \$50

**Houdini's Conjurers' Monthly Magazine**, the huge two volume in slipcase Kaufman ed, as new \$250

### **Okito and the Bambergs** ( Bob's favorites!)

**Illusion Builder to Fu-Manchu** (David Bamberg) by Robert Olson with Edmund Spreer (Fu's mechanic). 1986, xiv plus 219 pages. First edition, HB in DJ, fine copy in outstanding pictorial cloth! \$85

### **Phil Temple publications**

**My Magic Husband: Howard Thurston Unmasked** by Grace Thurston (the first of his 4 wives). 2006, 190 pages, the above manuscript with added photos and an added chapter about Thurston. As new, HB in DJ. \$40

**A Magician's Tour – Revisited.** The “autobiography” of Harry Kellar with added photos and a 20 page color section reproducing Kellar posters. With a lengthy inscription from Temple to Bob Albo. Included is a nice reproduction of the scarce Kellar's Wonder Book, his large “audience book”. All in fine condition. \$90  
**Thurston and Dante...The Written Word** is the huge, two volume set in slipcase containing the correspondence between these famous magicians over many years. The letters tell the real story, not what they told the public. Many fine posters of various magicians written about are reproduced, usually in color. Both volumes are inscribed by Temple to Bob Albo. An as new set. \$125

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**The Annals of Conjuring,** As new in as new DJ. \$400

**Essential Robert-Houdin.** As new in as new DJ. \$75

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**Mystery School,** Eugene Burger & Jeff McBride. As new in as new DJ. \$75

**Roy Benson By Starlight.** As new in as new DJ. \$120

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**The Silence of Chung Ling Soo.** As new in as new DJ. \$145

#### **Bibliographies**

**Bibliography of Conjuring Periodicals in English, 1791-1983,** Alfredson & Daily, as new. \$90

**Checklist of Conjuring Catalogs,** Burt Sperber, signed, SB, bumped so bargain at \$30

**Milbourne Christopher Library,** 2 volume set in DJ, bump to one corner of vol 2, o/w as new. \$80

**Some Printers & Publishers of Conjuring Books 1800-1850** by Trevor Hall and Percy Muir, 1976, limited to 430 hand numbered copies in one-third black calf, rag paper, printed by letterpress, beautiful! As new, \$200

**Bibliography of Conjuring,** Clarke & Blind, HB reprint of 1920 ed, limited to only 100 copies, as new, \$45

**Bibliography of Books on Conjuring in English 1580-1850,** Trevor Hall, ltd to 100 copies, as new, \$45

**Contribution to Conjuring Bibliography English Language 1580-1850,** Edgar Heyl, 100 copies, \$45

#### **Some Nice Two Volume Sets**

Olson – **The Complete Life of Howard Franklin Thurston,** 1993 First Editions in DJs, as new. \$150

Wells – **The Great Illusions of Magic,** First Edition with the large fold-out plans, DJ, all fine. \$65

#### **Other Fine Books from the Albo Library**

Beckmann – **The Life and Times of Alexander The Man Who Knows** #366 of 1000 copies, DJ. \$100

Behnke – **Will Rock Presents,** ltd to 360 copies, inscribed by Leo to Bob Albo, Rock TOC included. \$75

Dawes – **The Barrister in the Circle,** #211 of only 500 copies, inscribed by the late John Salisse, fine. \$65

Gravatt – **Thayer Quality Magic Instruction Sheets,** complete 4 Vol set in DJs, all fine condition. \$110

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Jeness – **Maskelyne and Cooke Egyptian Hall,** 1967, ltd to 500 numbered copies, HB in DJ. \$150

Eric Lewis – **The Genius of Robert Harbin,** 1997, 358 pages, fine copy in DJ. \$40

Maskelyne & Devant – **Our Magic,** London FIRST EDITION with the great Wizard cover. worn, \$200

Meyer – **Legerdemain,** 1797 Encyclopedia Britannica repro with David's observations. #126 of 250. \$45

Rice/Trimble – **Encyclopedia of Silk Magic,** all First Editions, Vol 1 Signed by the illustrator Francis

Martineau, Vol 1 and 2 with Albo bookplate, Vol 4 in DJ. .All in fine condition. \$200

Shevlin – **Historians' Guide to Conjuring (Redux)** 2004 No. 1 (all issued) Inscribed to Bob Albo. \$50

Teale – **Higher Magic,** 1920, 499 pages, the DELUXE edition in flexible pebbled leatherette, rounded corners, gilt pictorial cover and spine, all edges gilt. This was issued at \$5 in 1920! \$200

Walker & Seaver – **The P & L Book,** 1992, numbered & signed by the publisher. As new, \$100

