



Fine Interiors - Two Day Sale - Live Online (A965)

Wed, 30th Jun 2021

**Viewing:
VIEWING BY APPOINTMENT**

Due to current social distancing restrictions, we will be offering viewing by appointment only.

One hour time slots will be available from:

Fri 25 June, 9am - 5pm

Sat 26 June, 10am - 4pm

Sun 27 June, 10am - 4pm

Mon 28 June, 9am - 5pm

[Book Appointment](#)

All lots are, however, extensively illustrated and carry detailed condition reports - see 'Condition report' at the foot of each lot description.

REMOVAL OF LOTS

We operate a booking system for collections - please see [here](#) to book a time slot. You must book your appointment 24 hours in advance, to ensure your items are ready when you arrive:

Furniture and Carpets

Furniture and Carpets will be available to collect **from Friday 2 July at The Storage Facility, Harps Farm, Bedlars Green, Great Hallingbury CM22 7TL**. Please select 'Collection | Fine Interiors' as your appointment type when booking your collection time. Lots not collected by 5pm Friday 9 July will incur storage charges.

All Other Items

All other items will be available to collect from **the day after the sale at our Stansted Auction Rooms**. Please select 'Collection' as your appointment type when booking your collection time.

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Lot 710

Estimate: £800 - £1200 + Fees

A playbill from HMS Resolute,

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for the Royal Arctic Theatre, Melville Island, dated 30 November 1853, printed on silk, advertising performances of 'Taming the Shrew' and 'The Two Bonny Castles', Resolute Press,
47 x 25 cm, framed

The Royal Arctic Theatre was established in the winter of 1850-51 to alleviate the boredom of the ship's crew. Printed by the Resolute Press during the voyage of HMS Resolute, led by Captain Henry Kellett on its voyage in search of Sir

John Franklin's missing expedition. In 1854, the Resolute became stuck in ice and was abandoned, later to be recovered and returned to Queen Victoria in 1856 by American whalers. As a gesture of thanks, timbers from the ship were used to make the Resolute desk, given to US President Rutherford B Hayes in 1880. The desk is still located in the White House's Oval Office today.

Similar examples of this playbill can be found in the collections of the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich (TXT0088) and the National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh (GB/C.130).

Condition Report

Folding creases throughout. Areas of foxing. Some losses and fading to ink commensurate with age and original purpose.