



Sir Aurel Stein

1862-1943

John Randall (Books of Asia)



Marc Aurel Stein

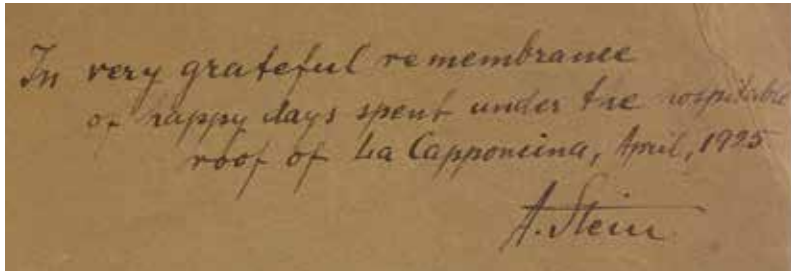


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A list of books, offprints* and papers by Sir Aurel Stein offered for sale, together with an important collection of his original letters to his friend, the Italian explorer Filippo de Filippi, and related material.

* Offprints were generally printed for the author in very small quantities, perhaps a maximum of 50.

* Not to be confused with papers extracted from journals, of which many more were printed.



Marc Aurel Stein (1862-1943) was born in Budapest and educated in Germany. As a young man he became interested in Central Asia, firstly by the eastern campaign of Alexander, and later by the works of Arminius Vambéry, whom he met, and Csoma de Koros. He studied at Vienna and Tübingen, and in 1884 went to Oxford and London, where he came under the influence of Sir Henry Yule and Sir Henry Rawlinson.

In 1888 Stein was appointed Principal of the Oriental College at Lahore and Registrar of the Panjab University. There he met Fred H. Andrews, Vice Principal, later Principal, of the School of Art, and E.D. (later Sir Edward) Maclagan, both of whom became life-long friends. Also P.S. Allen and Thomas Arnold.

Visiting Kashmir for rest and a change of climate, Stein was charmed by the valley and began, with the assistance of Pandit Govind Kaul, to research the chronicle of its kings, the *Rajatarangini*. He travelled extensively in Kashmir, and selected Mohand Marg, a meadow-like plateau at 11,000 feet as a base to pitch his tents and continue his work.

In 1898 he accompanied the Malakand Field Force to Buner and carried out an archaeological survey of the hill state, and the following year he was appointed principal of the Calcutta Madrasa. In Calcutta he was encouraged by Curzon to begin his exploration of Chinese Turkestan.

Stein set out on his first expedition in 1900, through Gilgit and Hunza and over the Pamirs to Kashgar, then to Khotan and along the southern fringes of the Taklamakan desert. He published his account of this journey in *Sand-buried ruins of Khotan* (1903) and his scientific results in *Archaeological Exploration in Chinese Turkestan* (1901) and *Ancient Khotan* (1907). He acquired British nationality in 1904, and was appointed Archaeological Surveyor, N.W. Frontier Province and Baluchistan, on special duty from 1906.

Stein's second Central Asian expedition (1906-08) started from Peshawar and travelled through Swat and Chitral, over the Darkot and Baroghil passes, and by the Mustagh-Ata to Kashgar. Then to Yotkan and Khotan, the ruins of Lou-lan, across the Lop Nor to Tun-Huang and the Edsin-gol basin. His account appeared in *Ruins of Desert Cathay* (1912), and his detailed scientific record in *Serindia* (1921). Some of the treasures he discovered were illustrated in *The Thousand Buddhas* (1921).

The third expedition (1913-16) took him further afield, across the Pamir and along the southern edge of the Taklamakan to Khara-khoto, across the Pei-shan to Dzungaria, to Turfan and Bezeklik, to Kashgar, through the Alai Pamir to Samarkand and Persian Baluchistan. His detailed record was published in *Innermost Asia* (1929).

Between 1927 and 1936 Stein undertook a succession of tours through Waziristan, Baluchistan, Makran and southern and western Iran, which he described in *Archaeological Reconnaissances in NW India and SW Iran* (1937) and *Old routes of Western Iran* (1940).

In 1929 Stein visited America where he delivered a series of lectures on his three Central Asian Expeditions which formed the basis of *On Ancient Central-Asian Tracks* (1933).

Stein's last expedition in 1943 took him through Gedrosia to Peshawar and Kabul, where he died of a stroke in October. He was recorded as saying "I have had a wonderful life, and it could not be concluded more happily than in Afghanistan which I have wanted to visit for sixty years".

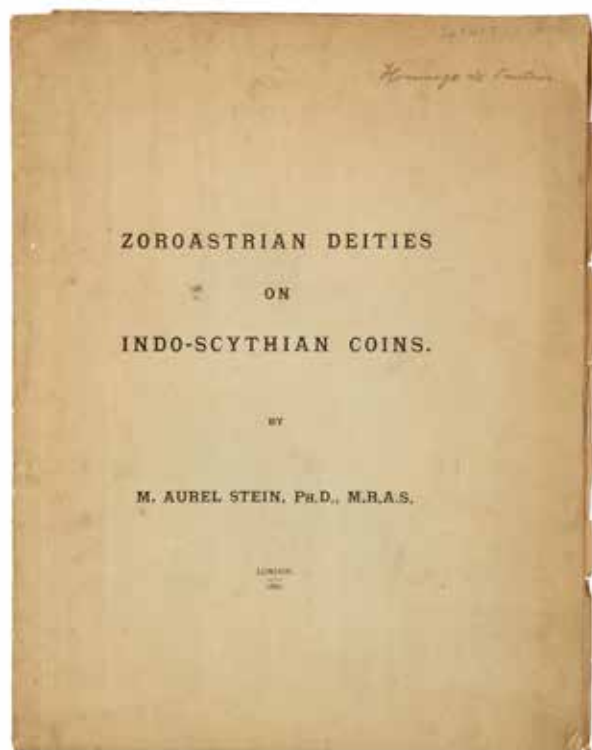
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Stein's first scholarly publication
Zoroastrian deities on Indo-Scythian coins
 [together with]
The Greek Sampi on Indo-Scythian Coins.
Inscribed: Hommage de l'auteur.

1887 London D. Nutt An offprint from the Oriental and Babylonian Record, August, 1887, 4to, pp.12, 19 text illustrations. With, loosely inserted, the one leaf Supplement from the Academy of September 10, 1887, No.801. A very good copy in original wrappers, a little worn and soiled. *Erdelyi 1.005.*

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Aurel Stein gained his Ph.D. from Tübingen in 1883 under the supervision of George Buhler, and moved to Britain where he spent much of 1886 studying the coin collections of The British Museum and the Ashmolean. This paper was his first scholarly publication.

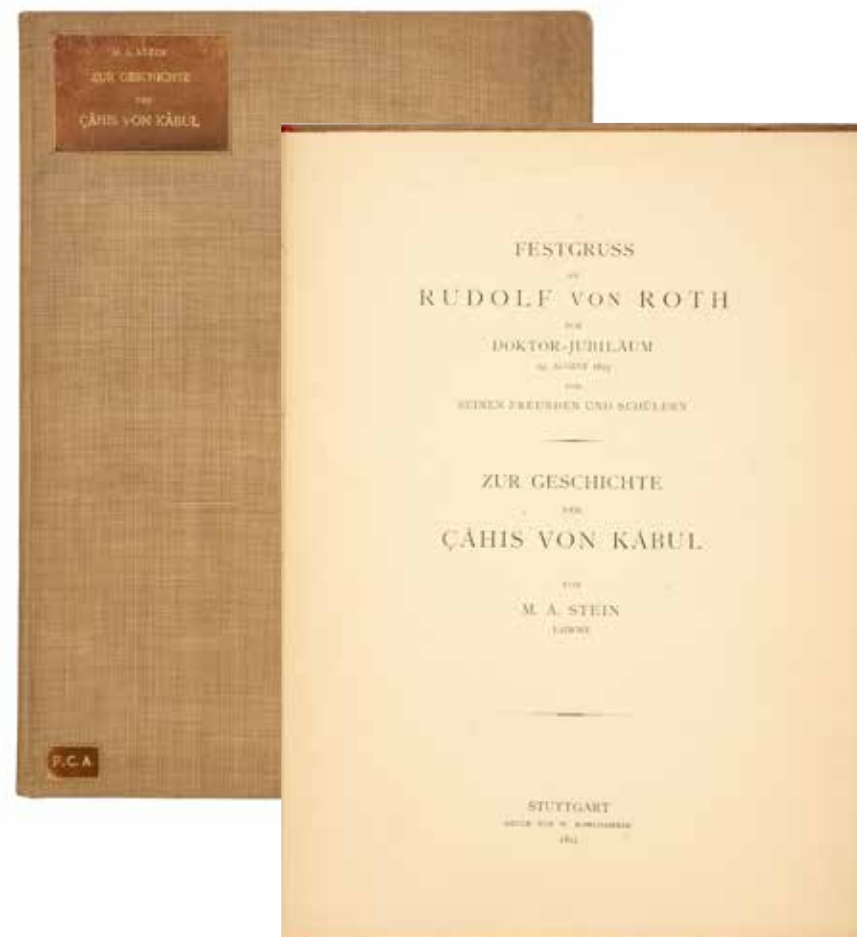
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Zur Geschichte der Cahis von Kabul.

1893 Stuttgart W. Kohlhammer An offprint from Festgruss an Rudolf von Roth zum Doktor-Jubiläum von seinen Freunden und Schülern, pp.10. Text in German. A very good copy, attractively bound in cloth, leather labels, for F.C.A. *Erdelyi 1.012.*

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An early paper on the Çahis, or Hindu rulers, of Kabul gleaned from Stein's researches on Kalhana's Chronicle of Kashmir.

3

Notes on Ou-k'ong's account of Kacmir.

1897 Vienna Kaiserlichen Akademie der Wissenschaften, printed by Adolf Holzhausen First edition, 8vo, pp.32. Bound in sequence with the thirteen other papers of the 1896 volume for the Sitzungsberichte der Kaiserlichen Akademie der Wissenschaften, Philosophisch-Historische Classe, CXXXV Band, whole issue included. A very good copy in original printed wrappers. Untrimmed and unopened. *Erdelyi* 1.016.

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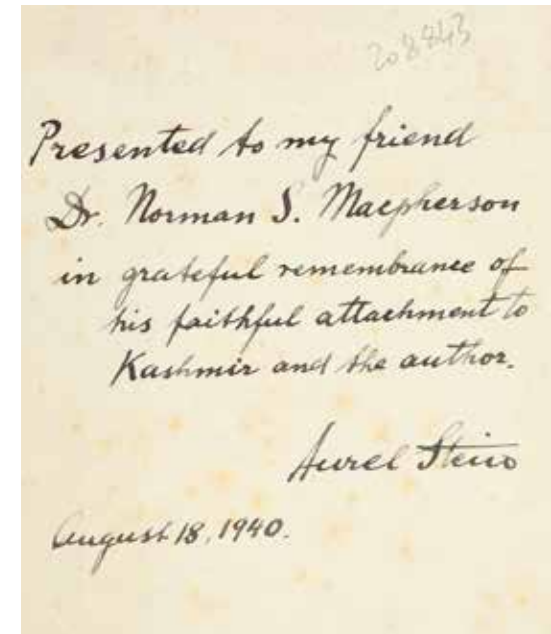


Aurel Stein's response to the recently published Itinerary of Ou-k'ong edited by Sylvain Levi and Edouard Chavannes, based on his research while preparing Kalhana's Chronicle of Kashmir.

4

Aurel Stein's own copy *Memoir on Maps illustrating the ancient geography of Kashmir.*

Aurel Stein's copy with his bookplate



1899 Calcutta Baptist Mission Press First edition in book form, pp.xi, 223, 3 coloured engraved folding maps. A very good copy in original cloth. Corners and spine ends lightly bruised. With discrete rubber stamp, cancelled, of the Church Missionary Society on the reverse of the front free end-paper, and top corner of title page, and their shelf mark is on spine. Aurel Stein's copy with his bookplate, and tipped in signed presentation note: Presented to my friend Dr. Norman S. Macpherson in grateful remembrance of his faithful attachment to Kashmir and the author. Aurel Stein. August 18, 1940. From Macpherson, this copy passed to the Church Missionary Society Library. At some later date this was acquired by Peter Hopkirk, who then sold it with the rest of his library at Sotheby's in 1998. *Erdelyi* 1.026.

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Aurel Stein's own copy
*Memoir on Maps illustrating the ancient
 geography of Kasmir.* (continued)



A comprehensive account of the historical topography of Kashmir based on Kalhana's Chronicle, the later Sanskrit Chronicles and other Kashmirian texts, first issued earlier in the same year in Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal.

Norman Macpherson was assistant and later successor to Ernest Neve at the Mission Hospital at Srinagar, and a fellow dog-lover. He was entrusted by Stein with looking after his affairs on his death, and attended his funeral in Kabul.

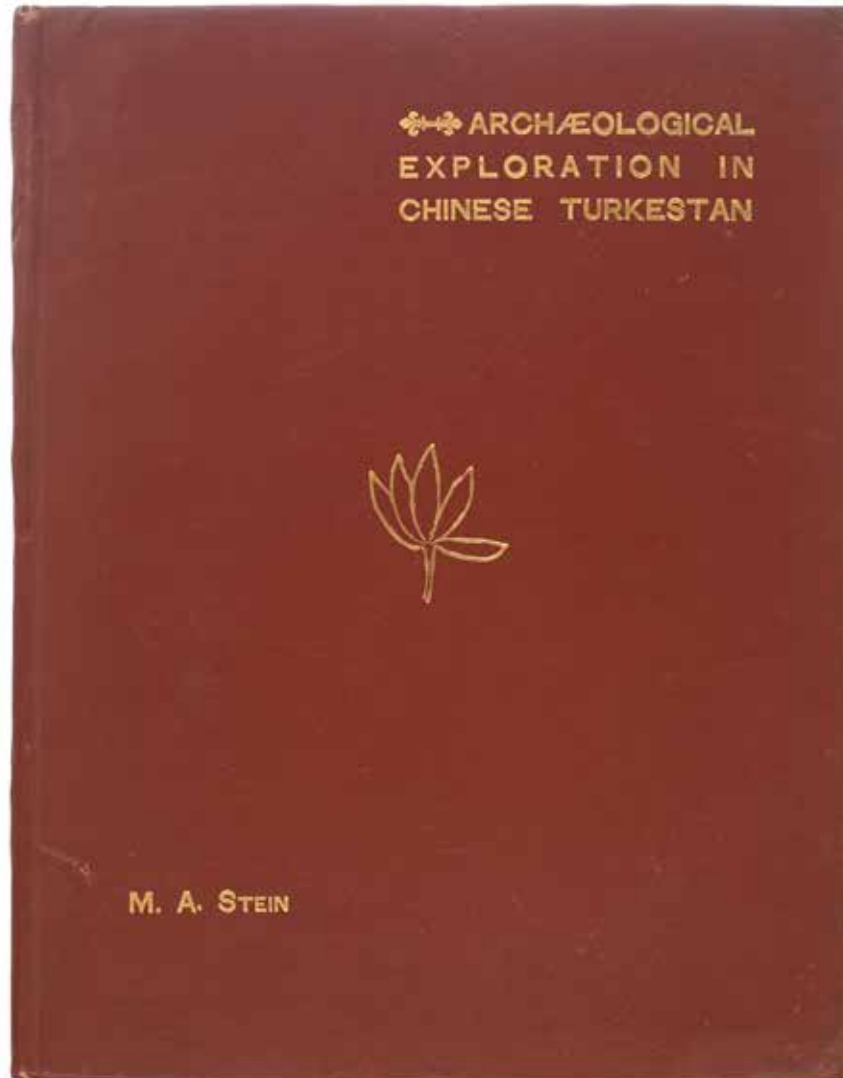
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The First Central Asian Expedition, 1900-1901
*Preliminary Report on a Journey of
 Archaeological and Topographical
 Exploration in Chinese Turkestan.*

Personal Narrative of a Journey of Archaeological and Geographical Exploration in Chinese Turkestan.



***Preliminary Report on a Journey of
Archaeological and Topographical
Exploration in Chinese Turkestan.*** (continued)



1901 London Published under the Authority of H.M.'s Secretary of State for India in Council, and printed by Eyre and Spottiswoode. First edition, 4to, pp. 77, 16 plates, 4 in colour, 13 illustrations. A very good copy in original cloth. Light spotting to end-paper and title. Rear cloth lightly creased. Title added to spine. From the library of the Chinese archaeologist Cheng Te-Kun, with his book-plate. *Erdelyi* 1.037

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In this succinct account of his expedition to Khotan Stein describes his journey and the various sites he discovered. He also discusses the more than five hundred Kharoshti and other manuscripts he found in excavation. It is the first publication on this first Central Asian Expedition, written almost immediately on Stein's return to England and published two weeks before Christmas 1901.

A journey of geographical and archaeological exploration in Chinese Turkestan.

1902 London Royal Geographical Society A paper from the Geographical Journal, December 1902, pp.36, 12 illustrations, large folding map. A very good copy bound in later cloth, original front wrapper pasted on. *Erdelyi* 1.040.

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£100

A paper read at the Royal Geographical Society on June 16th, 1902, with Map showing portions of Chinese Turkestan, surveyed under the direction and with the assistance of M.A. Stein, by Sub-Surveyor S____ R____.

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A journey of geographical and archaeological exploration in Chinese Turkestan.

1904 Washington Smithsonian Reprinted from the Geographical Journal, pp.(747)-774, 6 plates, map. A very good copy bound in later cloth. *Erdelyi 1.042.*

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£40

The map is reduced to page size in this issue.

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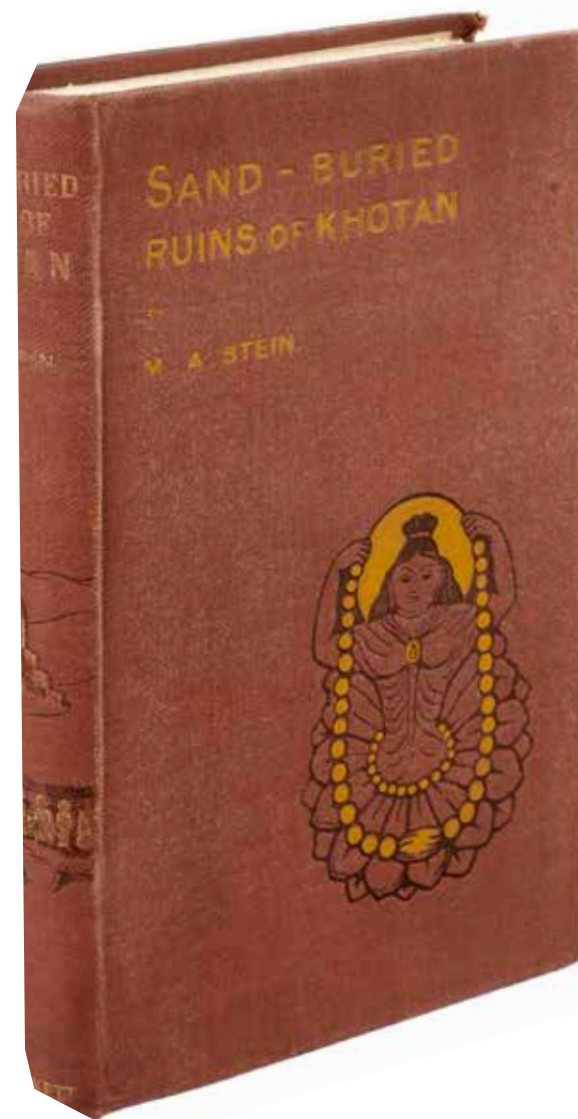
The “Personal Narrative” *Sand-Buried Ruins of Khotan.*

Personal Narrative of a Journey of Archaeological and Geographical Exploration in Chinese Turkestan

1904 London Hurst and Blackett Cheaper edition, pp.xl, 503, frontispiece, 134 illustrations, folding map. A very good copy in original cloth. *Erdelyi 1.043.*

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This account known as the “P.N.”, or Personal Narrative, was compiled from Stein’s diary, field notes and letters, and describes the systematic exploration of the Khotan region in detail, fleshing out the earlier Preliminary Account.. This cheaper edition was published a year after the first.

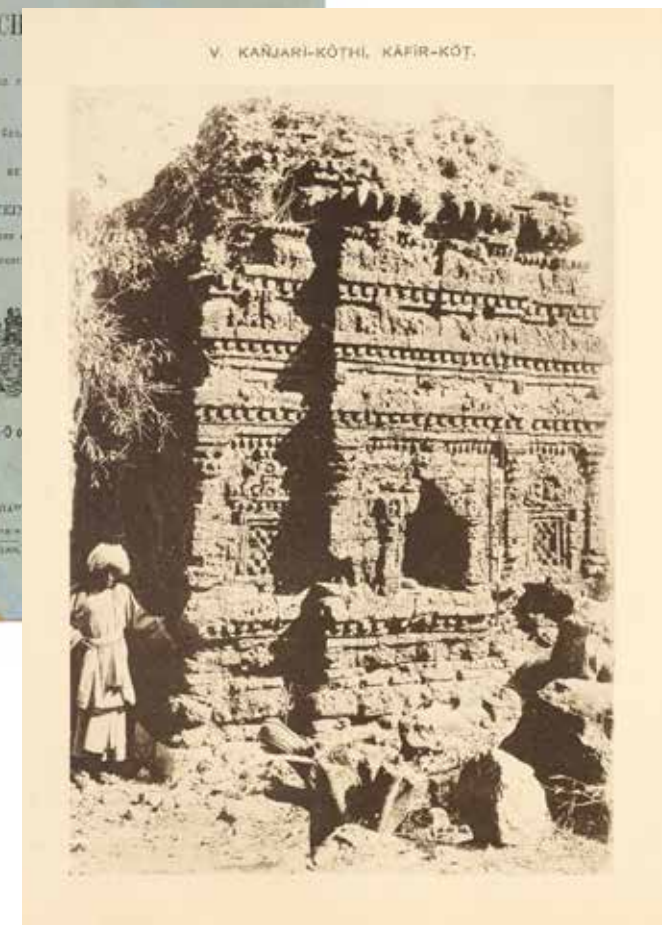
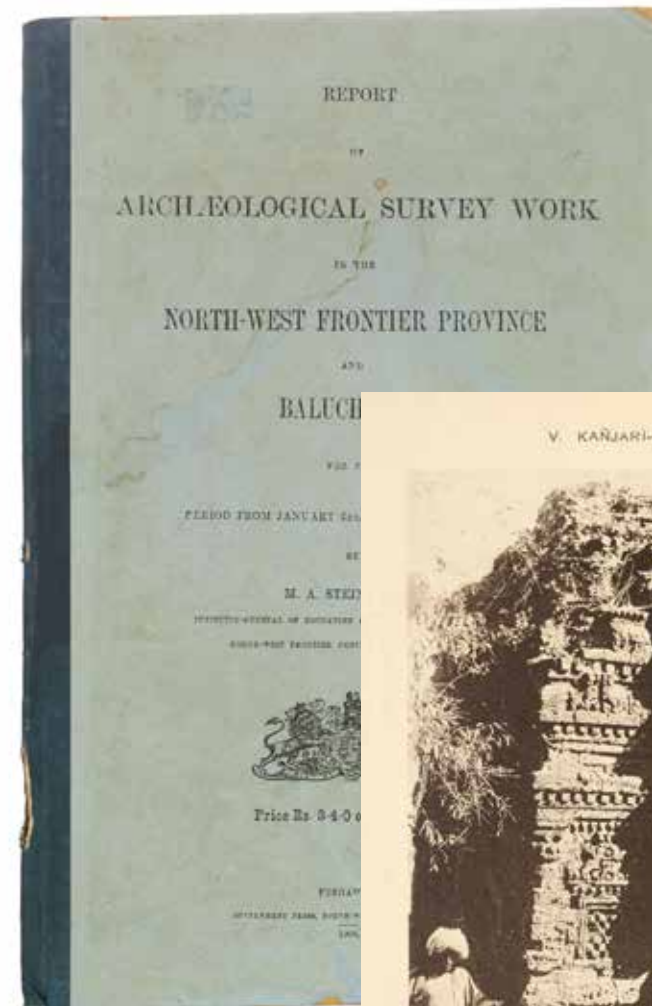
The site of Buddha's 'body-offering'
Report of Archaeological Survey Work
in the North-west Frontier Province and
Baluchistan for the period from January
2nd, 1904, to March 31st, 1905.

1905 Peshawar Government Press, North-west Frontier Province
 First edition, folio, pp.[6], v, [3], 56, 13 photographic illustrations on
 6 plates, 1 double page, including a panorama, 5 plans. One of only
 350 copies printed. Original cloth-backed boards. Two cm tear to
 cloth edge, minor wear to board edges. Front end-paper browned.
 Otherwise a very good copy. Bookseller's blind stamp of K. Gai,
 Peshawar. *Erdelyi* 1.044.

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In 1904 Stein, already Inspector for Education for the Northwest Frontier and Baluchistan, was appointed Archaeological Surveyor of the same region and assigned to carry out excavations at Nal, south of Quetta. Beginning in the Kohat district, Stein passed through the Kurram Valley and Bannu District to Kafirkot with its fortifications and temples. He then crossed Hazara to Mahaban and Mount Banj, the site of Buddha's 'body-offering', where, according to the Chinese Buddhist pilgrim Hiuen Tsang, Prince Mahasattva gave up his body to feed a hungry tigress. He also surveyed ancient remains in Pishin, Nushki and Kharan. Lal Singh of the Survey Department accompanied him and drew up the plans. Stein returned with some 230 fragments of Gandharan sculpture which had been deposited with the Mardan Assistant Commissioner.



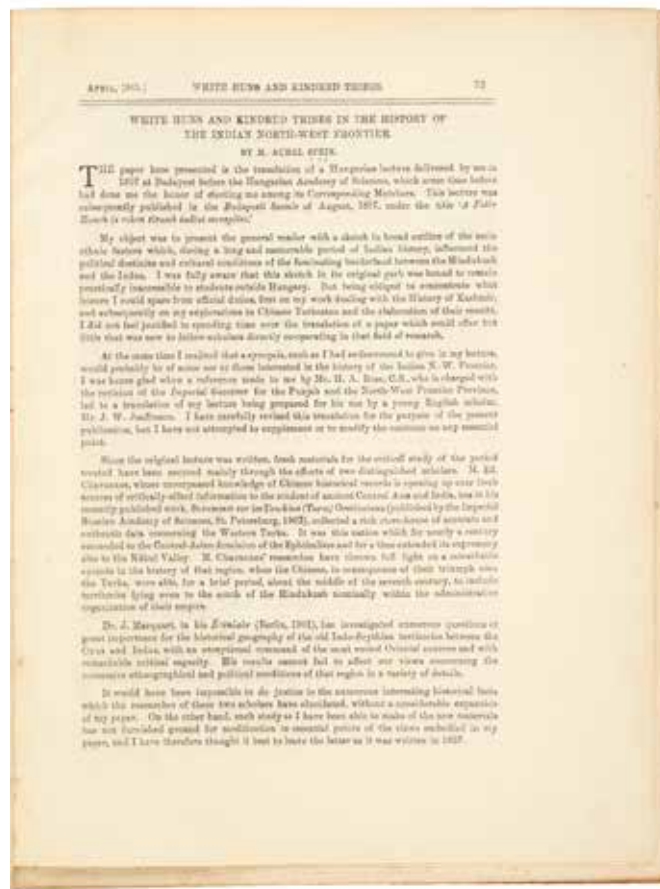
White Huns and kindred tribes in the history of the Indian North-West Frontier.

Personal Narrative of a Journey of Archaeological and Geographical Exploration in Chinese Turkestan

1905 Bombay The Indian Antiquary First issue in English, 4to, pp.(73)-87. An extract from The Indian Antiquary, April 1905. Stitched, in contemporary end-papers, but without binding. A very good copy. *Erdelyi* 1.045.

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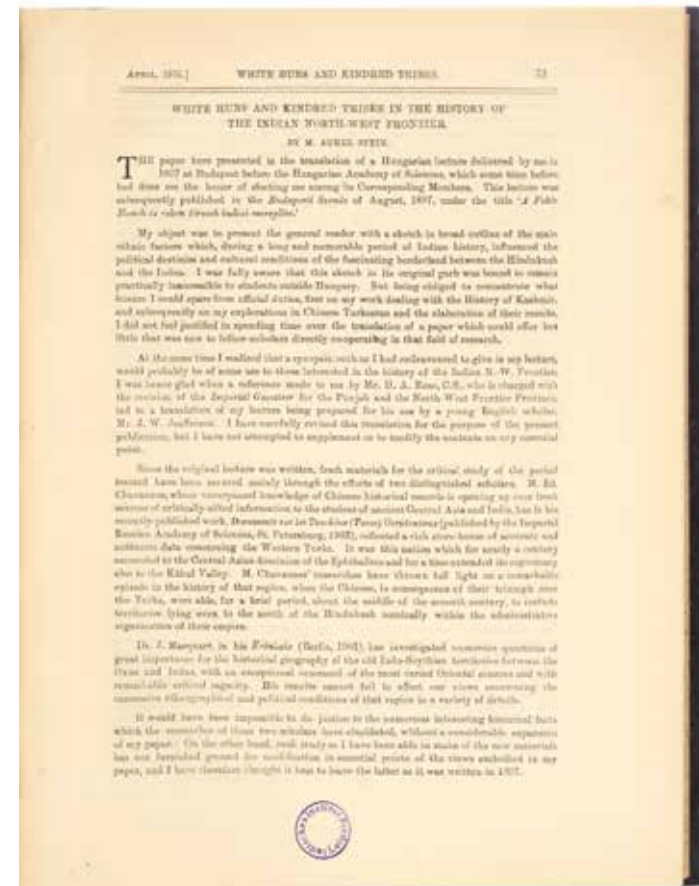


White Huns and kindred tribes in the history of the Indian North-West Frontier.

1905 Bombay The Indian Antiquary First issue in English, a paper in The Indian Antiquary, Volume XXXIV, 1905, 4to, pp.(73)-87. Whole issue included. Rubber stamps of Dr. Johannes Hertel, editor of an edition of the Pancha-tantra, and of Indisches Institut, Leipzig. *Erdelyi* 1.045.

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The English translation of Aurel Stein's inaugural lecture to the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, delivered in Hungarian in 1897

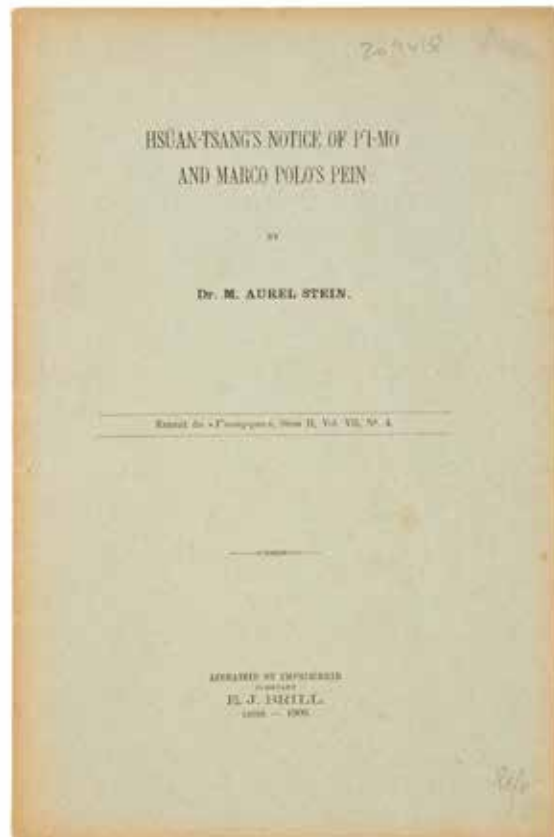
Hsuan-Tsang's Notice of P'i-Mo and Marco Polo's Pein.

1906 Leiden E.J. Brill An offprint from T'oung-pao, Serie II, Vol.VII, No.4, pp.14. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi* 1.046.

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Aurel Stein was fascinated from an early age by Marco Polo, and later followed in his tracks. He had some difficulty in locating P'i-mo, partly due to incompetent guides.



Ancient Khotan.

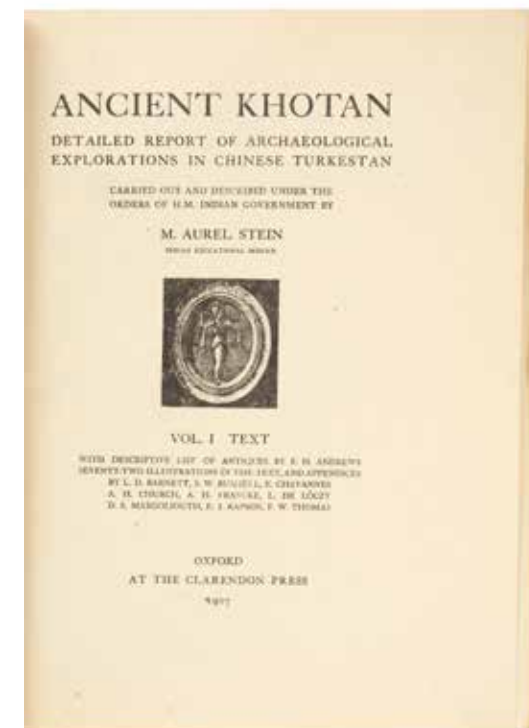
Detailed Report of Archaeological Explorations in Chinese Turkestan.

[1907] 1941 Peking Reprint, two volumes, 4to, pp.xxiv, 621, vii, 153 plates, text illustrations, folding map. One hundred copies only were printed of this edition. A very good set in original wrappers. *Reprint of Erdelyi* 1.049.

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£650

The scientific report on Stein's first Central Asian Expedition, with precise inventories of sites excavated and richly illustrated with his finds. First published by the Clarendon Press in 1907, this unattributed Peking reprint has high quality reproductions of the original illustrations, though is in smaller format. Our copy appears by its fresh condition to have itself been preserved in a dry desert climate.



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Ancient Khotan.

Personal Narrative of a Journey of Archaeological and Geographical Exploration in Chinese Turkestan

1975 New York Hacker Art Books Reprint, two volumes in one, folio, pp.xxiv, 621, 119 plates, folding map. Fine copy. Original cloth.

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£175

A later reprint which attempts to reproduce the original in size, but combines the two volumes in one.



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The Second Central Asian Expedition, 1906-1913**Explorations in Central Asia, 1906-8.**

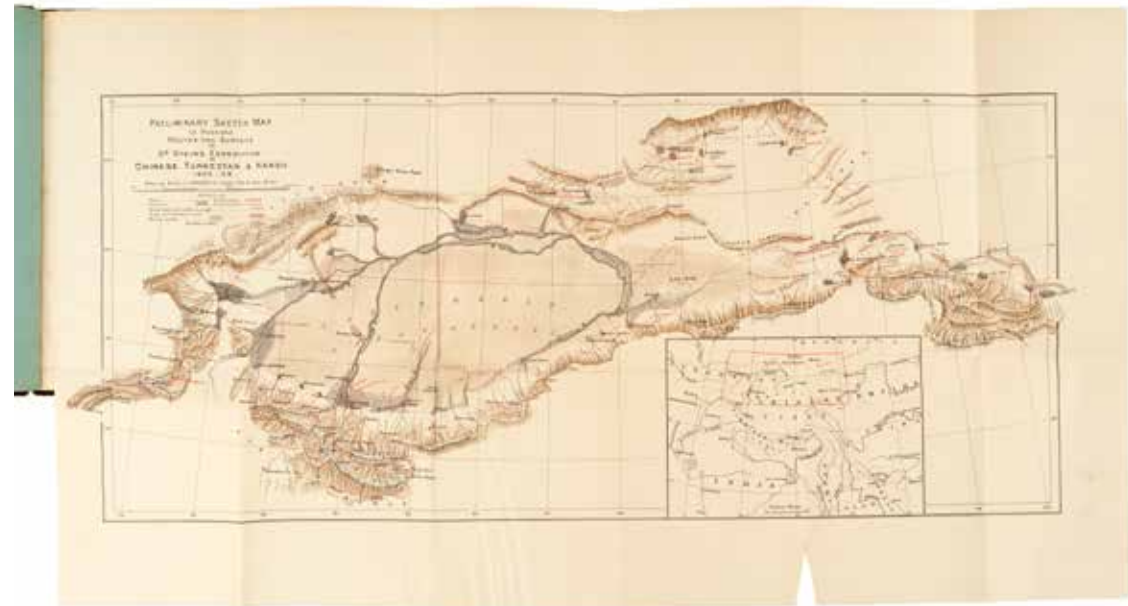
Inscribed: With kind regards of M.A. Stein

1909 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal for July and September, 1909, pp.(5)-66, 18 illustrations, large folding map. Bound in contemporary quarter leather, spine rubbed. *Erdelyi 1.063.*

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Preliminary Sketch Map to illustrate routes and surveys of Dr. Stein's expedition in Chinese Turkestan & Kansu, 1906-08.



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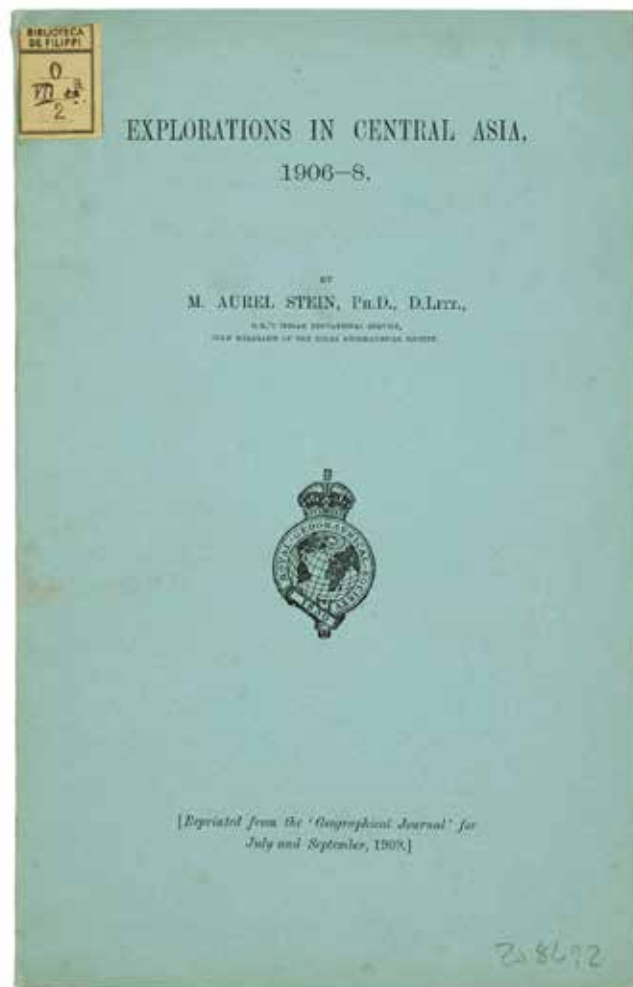
Explorations in Central Asia, 1906-8.

Small bookplate of Biblioteca de Filippi

Another copy. Large folding map loosely inserted. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.063.*

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Preliminary Sketch Map to illustrate routes and surveys of Dr. Stein's expedition in Chinese Turkestan & Kansu, 1906-08.



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Explorations in Central Asia, 1906-8.

[bound with] Note on Maps illustrating Dr. Stein's Explorations in Chinese Turkestan and Kansu.

1909-1911 London Royal Geographical Society Two papers from the Geographical Journal for July and September, 1909, pp.(5)-36; (241)-270, 18 illustrations; and volume 37, 1911, (275)-280, 3 large folding maps. A very good copy bound in later cloth. A little spotting to margins of maps. *Erdelyi 1.063; 1.069*

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The three maps present here vary from that in the offprint: Map showing portions of Chinese Turkestan and Kansu; Map showing portions of Kun-Lun range; Map showing portions of western and central Nan-Shan

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Annual Report of the Archaeological Survey of India, Frontier Circle, 1911-12.

Inscribed on tipped in slip: With best regards of Aurel Stein

1912 Peshawar Printed at the Commercial Press by D.C. Anand & Sons, Govt. Printers, N.W.F. Province. First edition, folio, pp.[vi], xxxviii, 16, 4 illustrations, folding plan, folding map. A very good copy in original cloth-backed boards. *Erdelyi 1.071.*

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A scarce report by Stein in his capacity as a Superintendent in the Archaeological Department. Explorations about Palai, Kafirkot near Bilot, and Excavations at Sahri-Bahlol, are by Stein, who also edited this publication. The first part, Excavations at Shahji-ki-Dheri, and Conservation at Takht-i-Bahi are by H. Hargreaves.

*With best regards
of Aurel Stein*

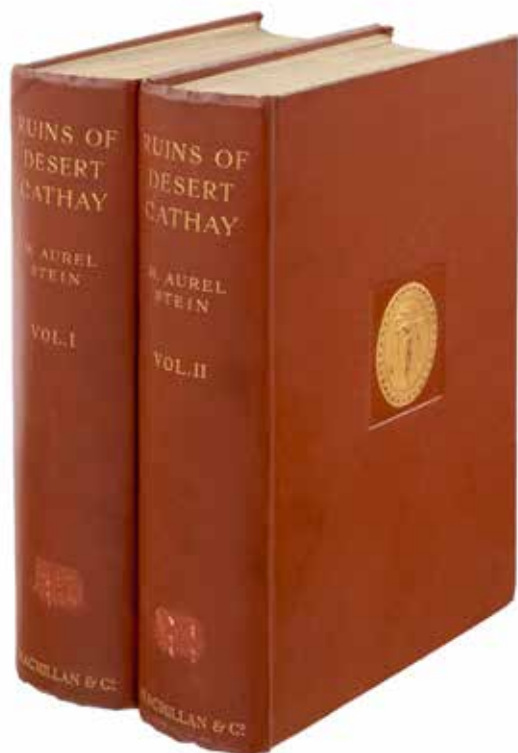
Caves of a Thousand Buddhas *Ruins of Desert Cathay.*

Personal Narrative of Explorations in Central Asia and Westernmost China.

"Presentation copy" blind stamp on title pages.

1912 London Macmillan First edition, two volumes, pp.xxxviii, 546; xxi, 517, 225 plates, 7 in colour, 7 folding, 3 folding maps. Front inner hinge of first volume strained. Small stamps on title page, chapter headings, and corners of plates. Small shelf marks removed from spine. But a very good set in original cloth, seemingly unopened since the librarian applied his stamps. Top-edge gilt. Bookplate of Worcester Public Library Reference Department on front free end-papers. Discrete withdrawal stamp on reverse of front free end-papers. *Erdelyi, 1.073*

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Aurel Stein's account of his second Central Asian Expedition, 1906-08, on which he discovered the treasures of the "Caves of a Thousand Buddhas" at Tun-huang.

A unique collection of original letters *Seventy-two original letters from Aurel Stein to his friend, the explorer and mountaineer, Filippo de Filippi 1913-1938*

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£45,000

A unique collection of seventy-two original letters from Aurel Stein to Filippo de Filippi, Italian physician, explorer and mountaineer, written between 1913 and 1938.

Sir Marc Aurel Stein, 1862–1943, Hungarian-British archaeologist, is best known for his explorations and archaeological discoveries in Chinese Turkestan. His greatest discovery was made at Mogao, or the Caves of the Thousand Buddhas, near Dunhuang in 1907, where he discovered the Diamond Sutra, the world's earliest dated printed text. He promptly removed it to London together with numerous cases of manuscripts, paintings and artefacts. Between his extended journeys into Central Asia, he mostly lived in a tent in the spectacularly beautiful alpine meadow of Gulmarg in Kashmir, from where many of these letters were written.

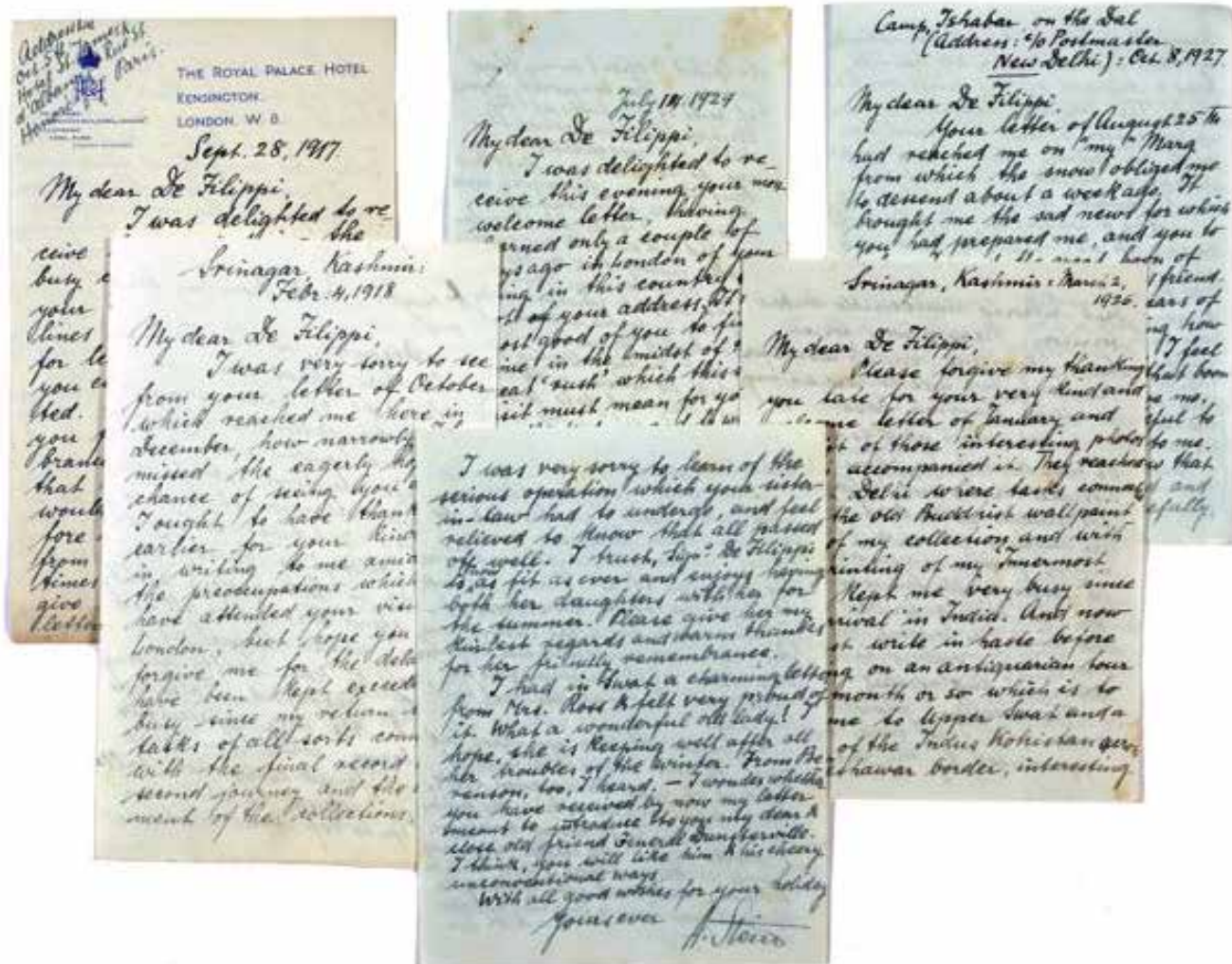
Stein was a lifelong bachelor and had few close friends, but perhaps the one he most respected was Sir Filippo de Filippi (1869-1938), Italian mountaineer and explorer. De Filippi led a scientific expedition to the Karakoram in 1913-14, and spent most of the rest of his life supervising the publication of reports of its results.

This correspondence began in February 1913 when Stein thanked de Filippi for sending his account of the Duke of Abruzzi's 1909 expedition to the Baltoro Glacier and K2, and ends in 1938 shortly before de Filippi's death. In the first letter Stein praises de Filippi's work and gives advice on various aspects of the Karakoram expedition. He signs off the last, "Farewell dear friend, and keep as brave in spirit as ever and fit too in body."

Later letters discuss efforts to publish de Filippi's scientific reports on the Karakorum, and Stein's own travails with his enormously detailed and meticulously prepared major works. The two men were perhaps the last to produce such grand works.

Seventy-two original letters from Aurel Stein to his friend, the explorer and mountaineer, Filippo de Filippi 1913-1938

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Stein and de Filippi both had little patience for bureaucracy and government intervention. Stein refers often to the “babu-dom” which took time from his real work. And he refers repeatedly to the objections of the “Young China” movement to his further digging in Sinjiang, which curtailed his fourth expedition. He passed off these objections as “nationalist jealousy” against a growing background of what he termed “ignorant nationalism encouraged in the East by the growing disruption of Europe” and the “tergiversations” of the Nanking government, failing to recognize their horror at his removal of their cultural heritage.

Stein often refers to the expatriate community in Florence, and frequently mentions the Berensons. He shows throughout a close familiarity with de Filippi's family, work, and the circles surrounding him. In 1937 he visited de Filippi, by profession a surgeon, to consult on his health, and in the following few letters he discusses his prostate operations in some detail.

From the early 1930's the letters show growing concern at the worsening situation in Europe, and Stein's worries on the effect this was having on Persia where he was also suffering petty restrictions from provincial bureaucrats.

Stein's enthusiasm for Marco Polo is set out in detail in the context of Professor Benedetto's efforts to produce an annotated translation of various texts. He devotes several letters to the question of potential note makers: the brilliant French scholar Paul Pelliot who could not be relied on because “he has always many irons in the fire,” and the British scholar A.C. Moule who “hates to make up his mind”. Many of these letters are marked “entre-nous”.

The collection is completed with Stein's typescript review of de Filippi's *The Italian Expedition to the Himalaya, Karakoram and Eastern Turkestan* (London, Edward Arnold, 1932)

This fine archive does not describe Stein's explorations and discoveries. But it does discuss the daily issues he faced on his travels, and sheds a new light on his human side. It is almost certainly the only remaining collection of his letters in private hands.

A fuller description is available on request.

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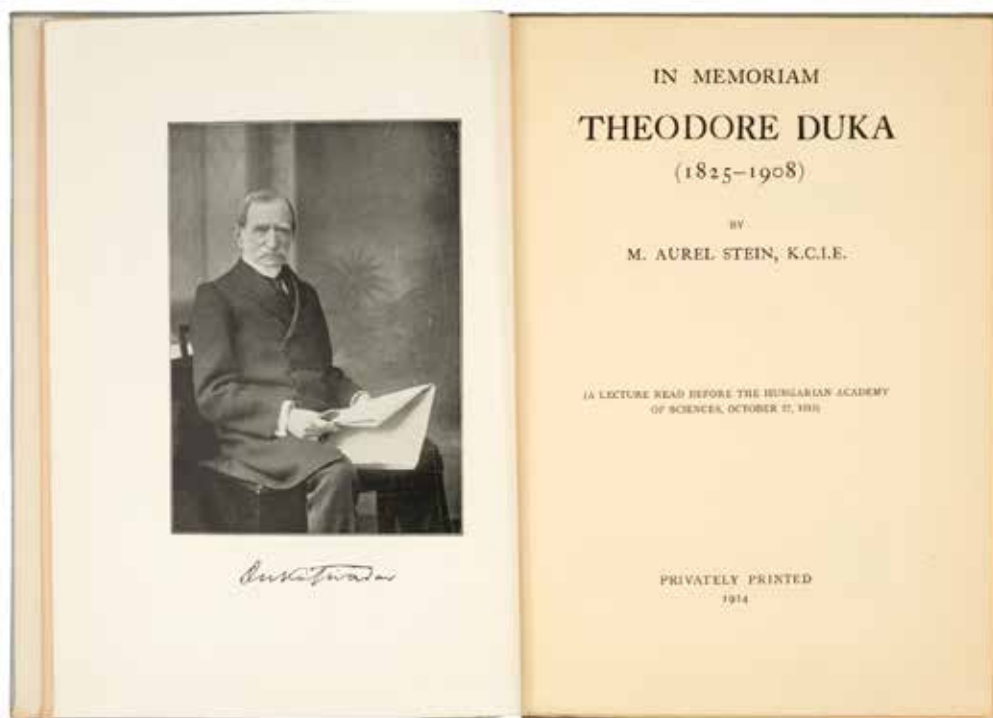
In Memoriam Theodore Duka (1825-1908).
(A Lecture read before the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, October 27, 1913)

1914 Oxford Privately printed. First edition, pp.35, frontis portrait.
A very good copy in the original boards. *Erdelyi* 1.079

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Theodore Duka was forced into exile from his native Hungary after the 1848 revolution. He served as a military doctor in India and retired to Earls Court. He was one of the first friends Stein made when he first came to London in 1883, and a great influence with his reminiscences of India.



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First public exhibition of Stein's Tun-huang collections.

Guide to an Exhibition of Paintings, Manuscripts, and other Archaeological Objects collected by Sir Aurel Stein, K.C.I.E., in Chinese Turkestan.

1914 London British Museum First edition, pp.58, folding map. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi* 2.09.

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Catalogue of an exhibition of "the most valuable results of the second journey of archaeological and geographical investigation carried out by Sir Marc Aurel Stein in Chinese Turkestan". The material had been in the British Museum since 1909, and Stein had experienced much frustration urging that the boxes be unpacked and properly housed and catalogued during his annual visits. Fred Andrews was employed, but only as temporary assistant.

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A Third Journey of Exploration in Central Asia, 1913-16.

Inscribed: Presented to Dr. Filippo de Filippi

1916 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal for August and September, 1916, pp.71, 32 illustrations including folding panoramas. A very good copy in original wrappers. Inscribed: Presented to Dr. Filippo de Filippi with kindest greetings and all good wishes. A Stein. Sept. 1., 1916, and with Biblioteca de Filippi bookplate. *Erdelyi* 1.084.

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This offprint is printed on larger paper than the journal, but does not have the folding map of Chinese Turkestan.

24 *A Third Journey of Exploration in Central Asia, 1913-16.*

11916 London Royal Geographical Society Two papers from the Geographical Journal for August and September, 1916, pp.(97)-130; (193)-229, 32 illustrations, folding map. A very good copy bound in modern cloth. Inner hinges starting. *Erdelyi* 1.084.

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With Provisional sketch map showing portions of Chinese Turkestan, Kansu and Oxus regions to illustrate the explorations of Sir Aurel Stein and his assistants R.B. Lal Singh, Muhammad Yakub Khan and Afrazgul Khan.

25 *Note on the Routes from the Panjab to Turkestan and China recorded by William Finch*

Inscribed: With kind memories, from A.S.

1917 Lahore Panjab Historical Society An offprint from the Journal of the Panjab Historical Society, Vol.VI, 4to, pp.5. Reading copy only in original wrappers. Tape repairs. *Erdelyi* 1.087.

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Aurel Stein gained his Ph.D. from Tübingen in 1883 under the supervision of George Buhler, and moved to Britain where he spent much of 1886 studying the coin collections of The British Museum and the Ashmolean. This paper was his first scholarly publication.

26 *The Desert Crossing of Hsuan-Tsang, 630. A.D.*

Inscribed: "With kindest regards of A. Stein"

1919 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal for November, 1919, pp.(265)-277, map. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Inscribed: "With kindest regards of A. Stein". With the Biblioteca de Filippi bookplate. Erdelyi* 1.091.

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An early paper on the Çahis, or Hindu rulers, of Kabul gleaned from Stein's researches on Kalhana's Chronicle of Kashmir.

27 *The Desert Crossing of Hsuan-Tsang, 630. A.D.*

Inscribed: With kindest regards of A. Stein, Cernobbio, Lago di Como: 8.3.1920

Another copy in lightly worn original wrappers. *Erdelyi* 1.091.

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28 *The Desert Crossing of Hsuan-Tsang, 630 A.D.*

1919 London Royal Geographical Society A paper in the Geographical Journal for November, 1919, pp.(265)-277, map. Whole issue included. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi* 1.091.

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Marco Polo's Account of a Mongol Inroad into Kashmir.

Inscribed: "With kindest regards of A. Stein".

1919 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal for August, 1919, pp.(92)-103. A very good copy in original wrappers. Inscribed: "With kindest regards of A. Stein". With the Biblioteca de Filippi bookplate. *Erdelyi 1.090.*

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£150

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Explorations in the Lop Desert.

Inscribed: "With best regards of A. Stein".

1920 New York American Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Review, vol.IX, no.1, January 1920, pp.34, 13 illustrations, map. A very good copy in original wrappers. Inscribed: "With best regards of A. Stein". With the Biblioteca de Filippi bookplate. *Erdelyi 1.093.*

208504

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31

Ancient Chinese Figured Silks excavated by Sir Aurel Stein at ruined sites of Central Asia.

Drawn and described by F.H. Andrews. Reprinted from The Burlington Magazine. 1920 London Bernard Quaritch First separate edition reprinted from The Burlington Magazine, folio, pp.20, 17 illustrations, 1 folding. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 2.01.*

208873

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32

“reproductions of select specimens from among the great collection of ancient Buddhist paintings which.. I had the good fortune to recover from a walled-up chapel at the ‘Caves of a Thousand Buddhas’ near Tun-huang”

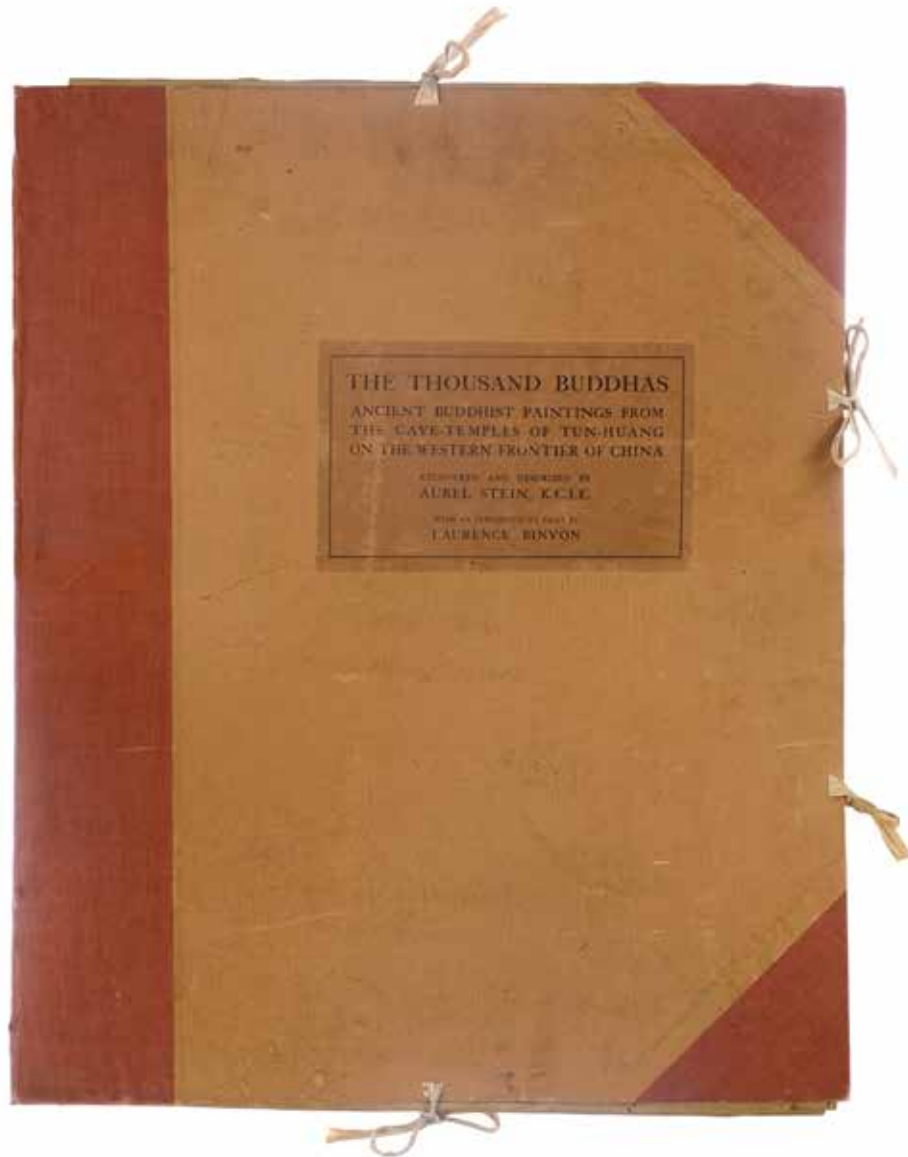
The Thousand Buddhas.

Ancient Buddhist Paintings from the Cave-Temples of Tun-Huang on the western frontier of China. Recovered and described by Aurel Stein, K.C.I.E. With an introductory essay by Laurence Binyon. Published under the Orders of H.M. Secretary of State for India and with the co-operation of the Trustees of the British Museum.

1921 London Bernard Quaritch; plates by Henry Stone & Son of Banbury. First edition, two volumes, text in folio, 40 x 31 cm., pp.xii, 65; title-page and 48 plates, thirty-three in large folio, 64 x 51 cm., twelve in three colour, twenty-one in halftone, and fifteen smaller plates, 40 x 31 cm, of which ten in three colour, 5 in halftone. Plates have discretely stamped on reverse, "Printed in England". Overall a very good copy, but showing minor use and wear. Title page lightly spotted. Large plates slightly dog-eared at corners, a few with a small area of lower margin lightly water stained, but images unaffected. The text volume is in original wrappers, with small tears to cover, otherwise pristine. The smaller plates are in fine condition, preserved in their original envelope. The whole is contained in the original half-cloth portfolio. Rear cover of portfolio somewhat spotted, and minor tears to cloth spine. *Erdelyi 1.095.*

57678

£7,500



A beautifully printed complement to Serindia, published as “reproductions of select specimens from among the great collection of ancient Buddhist paintings which... I had the good fortune to recover from a walled-up chapel at the ‘Caves of a Thousand Buddhas’ near Tun-huang”.

Stein considered the collections he removed from Chinese Turkestan to be a field in which “India may justly claim a predominant interest” as “the spread of Buddhist religion and literature over Central Asia and into the Far East is the greatest achievement by which India has influenced Asia in the past,” but he does admit in his introduction here that for these paintings at least, “the preponderance of Chinese taste and style was all the same unmistakable from the first.”

The costs of this substantial work were partially underwritten by the India Office at the urging of the Secretary of State for India, Austen Chamberlain, after he was shown the paintings personally by Stein at the British Museum.

33

Central-Asian Relics of China's Ancient Silk Trade.

1922 London Probsthain An offprint from Asia Major, pp.(367)-374. A very good copy in original wrappers. *See Erdelyi 1.092.*

209419

SOLD

34

A Chinese Expedition across the Pamirs and Hindukush, A.D.747.

Inscribed: "With kindest greetings of A. Stein".

1922 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal for February, 1922, pp.(112)-131, 2 maps. A very good copy in original wrappers. Inscribed: "With kindest greetings of A. Stein". With the Biblioteca de Filippi bookplate. *Erdelyi 1.098.*

208496

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35

A Chinese Expedition across the Pamirs and Hindukush, A.D.747.

1922 London Royal Geographical Society A paper in the Geographical Journal for February, 1922, pp.(112)-131, 2 maps. Whole issue included. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.098.*

209409

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This issue also includes C.K. Howard-Bury, The Mount Everest Expedition, with its two large folding maps.

36

A Chinese Expedition across the Pamirs and Hindukush, A.D.747.

Bookplate of Biblioteca de Filippi.

[1923] Shanghai The New China Review An offprint from The New China Review, pp.[23], 2 maps. A very good disbound copy, minor wear to extremities. Bookplate of Biblioteca de Filippi. *Erdelyi 1.103.*

209377

£75

A note states that the blocks for the maps had not arrived at the time of going to press. Both maps are loosely inserted here.

37

Remains of a T'ang Painting discovered by Sir Aurel Stein.

Described by Laurence Binyon.

Bookplate of the Chinese archaeologist, Cheng Te-kun.

1925 London The Burlington Magazine An offprint from The Burlington Magazine, June, 1925, 4to, pp.3, 2 colour plates. A very good copy in original wrappers. Some spotting. With the bookplate of the Chinese archaeologist, Cheng Te-kun. *Not in Erdelyi.*

209424

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38

Innermost Asia: its geography as a factor in history.

Inscribed: "With kindest remembrances from A. Stein". With the Biblioteca de Filippi bookplate.

1925 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal for May and June, 1925, pp.55, 36 illustrations, large folding map of Chinese Turkestan and small map of Lop desert. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.104.*

208497

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39

Innermost Asia: its geography as a factor in history.

1925 London Royal Geographical Society Two papers in the Geographical Journal for May and June, 1925, pp.(377)-403; (473)-501, 36 illustrations, folding map of Lop desert. Both full issues included. Without the large folding map of Chinese Turkestan which appears to have been printed too late for inclusion in the journal. *Erdelyi 1.104.*

209412

£85

40

Signed photographic portrait of Aurel Stein
by J. Russell & Sons of 73 Baker St.

Signed Aurel Stein across lower right corner of image, and inscribed on reverse "In very grateful remembrance of happy days spent under the hospitable roof of La Capponcina, April 1925. A. Stein".

1925 Portrait photograph, 19 x 14 cm.

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41

Detailed report of Third Central Asian Expedition
Innermost Asia.

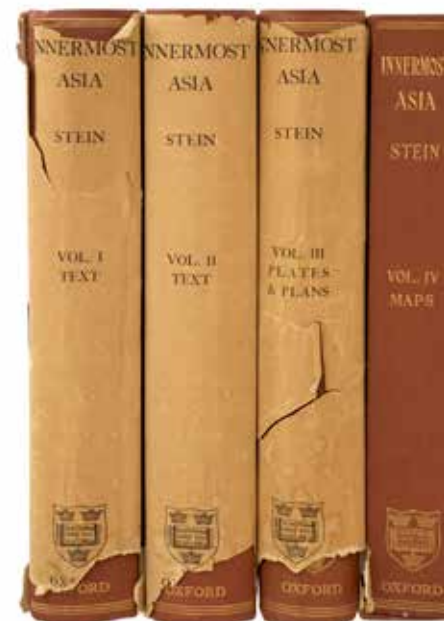
With the bookplate of Stein's friend and colleague, Filippo de Filippi.

Detailed report of explorations in Central Asia, Kan-su and eastern Iran. Carried out and described under the orders of H.M. Indian Government. Volumes I and II, Text. Vol.III, Plates and Plans. Vol.IV, Maps. With descriptive lists of antiques by F.H. Andrews and F.M.G. Lorimer; and appendices by J. Allan, E. Benveniste, A.H. Francke, L. Giles, R.L. Hobson, T.A. Joyce, S. Konow, A. von Le Coq, W. Lentz, S. Lévi, H. Maspero, F.E. Pargiter, R. Smith, W.J. Sollas, R.C. Spieler, F.W. Thomas, V. Thomsen.

1928 Oxford At the Clarendon Press First edition, four volumes, folio, pp.xxxix, 547; xii, (549)-1159, 505 photographic illustrations; 138 plates (numbered to 137, with one A plate), 13 in colour, 59 plans; 52 folding maps. A very good set in original cloth. Rather torn and soiled dust wrappers. With the bookplate of Stein's friend and colleague, Filippo de Filippi. *Erdelyi* 1.112.

78050

£15,000

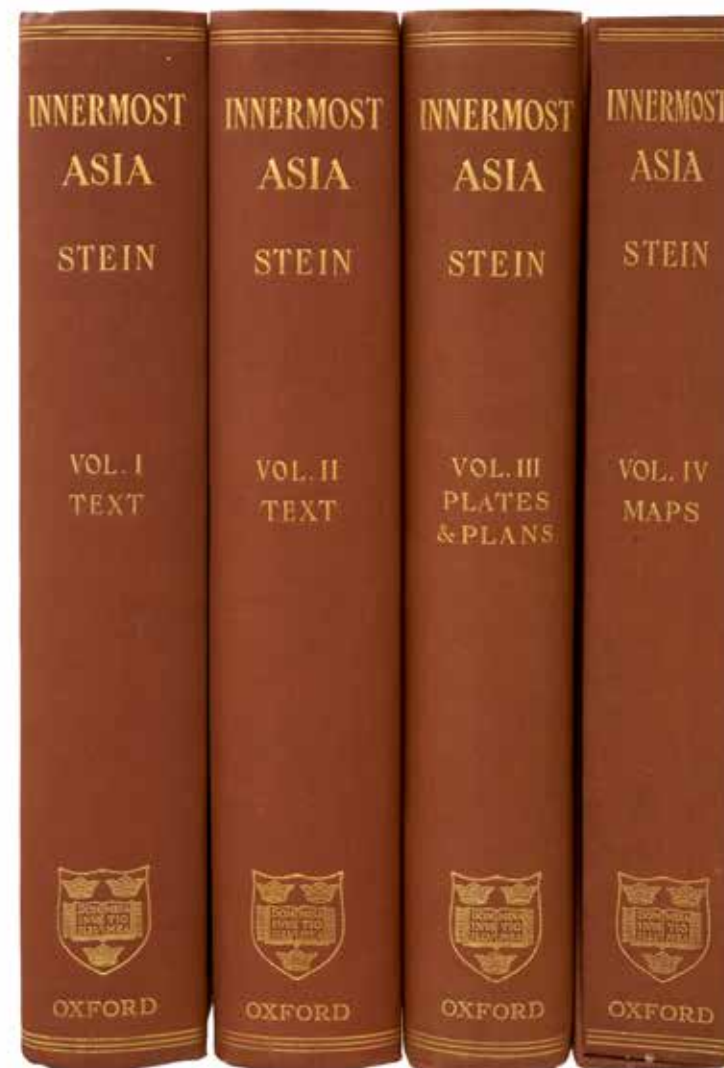


The detailed scientific report on Aurel Stein's third great Central Asian Expedition in which he covered nearly 11,000 miles in thirty-two months between 1913 and 1916, and pursued geographical as well as archaeological research.

From Kashmir Stein followed the pilgrim route to Kashgar, crossed the Taklamakan desert to Khotan, and explored the Lop desert discovering the ancient site of Lou-lan. He revisited the "Caves of the Thousand Buddhas", pushed down the Etsin-gol and investigated Khara-khoto, the site first discovered by Colonel Kozlov. From there to Turfan, where the expedition secured "a considerable collection of interesting mural paintings from ruined Buddhist shrines".

When arrangements had been made to transport the 182 cases of antiquities collected to Kashmir, Stein crossed the Pamirs and the valleys of the Upper Oxus passing Bokhara and Samarkand on his way to Sistan. In the first two volumes Stein provides a record of his journey and of the antiques he collected, with 505 photographic illustrations. The third volume has 138 superbly printed plates, 13 of which are in colour. The map volume contains an index map, 47 sheet maps of portions of Chinese Turkestan and Kansu from surveys made during the explorations of 1900-01, 1906-08, and 1913-15, on a scale of 1:500,000, and four related maps.

This set was published at £26 and 5 shillings. In a letter dated June 1929 Stein complains that the price has already risen to £40.



42

The North-west Frontier, Baluchistan, and Persia,
1926-36 Galley proofs

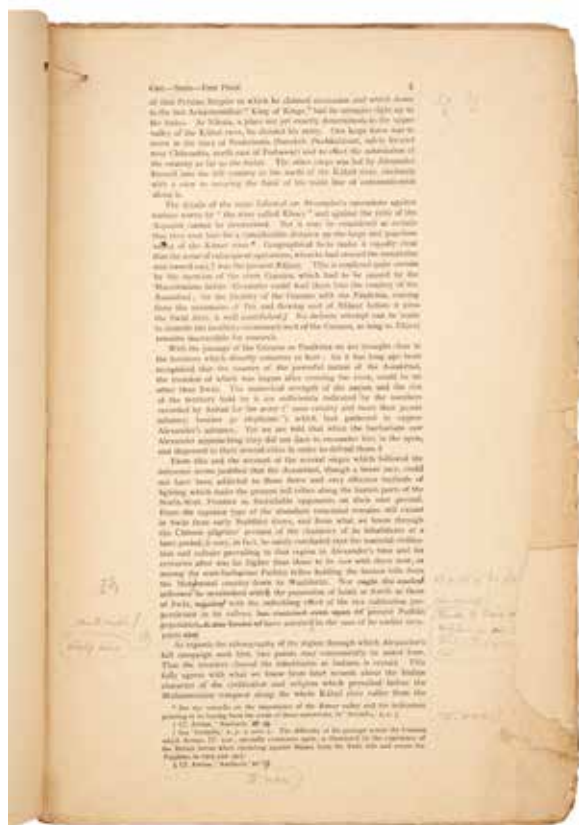
**Alexander's Campaign on the Indian
North-West.** Notes from Explorations between
Upper Swat and the Indus.

1927 London Royal Geographical Society

First galley proofs, corrected in pencil, pp.(33). Disbound, paper
lightly age-toned, margins frayed at edges. See *Erdelyi 1.111*.

68788

SOLD



*The first galley proofs of this paper which appeared in The Geographical
Journal, corrected, possibly in Stein's hand*

43

**Alexander's campaign on the Indian
North-West Frontier.**

With the Biblioteca de Filippi bookplate.

1927 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint with the two
parts from the Geographical Journal for November and December,
1927, pp.(417)-440 and (515)-540, illustrations, folding map. A very
good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.111*.

208498

SOLD

44

**Alexander's campaign on the Indian
North-West Frontier.**

1927 London Royal Geographical Society Two papers from the
Geographical Journal for November and December, 1927,
pp.(417)-440 and (515)-540, illustrations, folding map. A very good
copy bound in modern cloth. *Erdelyi 1.111*.

208887

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45

**An archaeological tour along the
Wazir-istan border.**

1928 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from The
Geographical Journal, LXXI, No.4, pp.(377)-380. A very good copy
stapled in later wrappers. Chinese chop. Stamps of Ostasiatiska
Museum. A few annotations, possibly in Stein's hand. *Erdelyi 1.114*.

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An Archaeological Tour in Waziristan and Northern Baluchistan.

With an appendix by Professor Sten Konow.

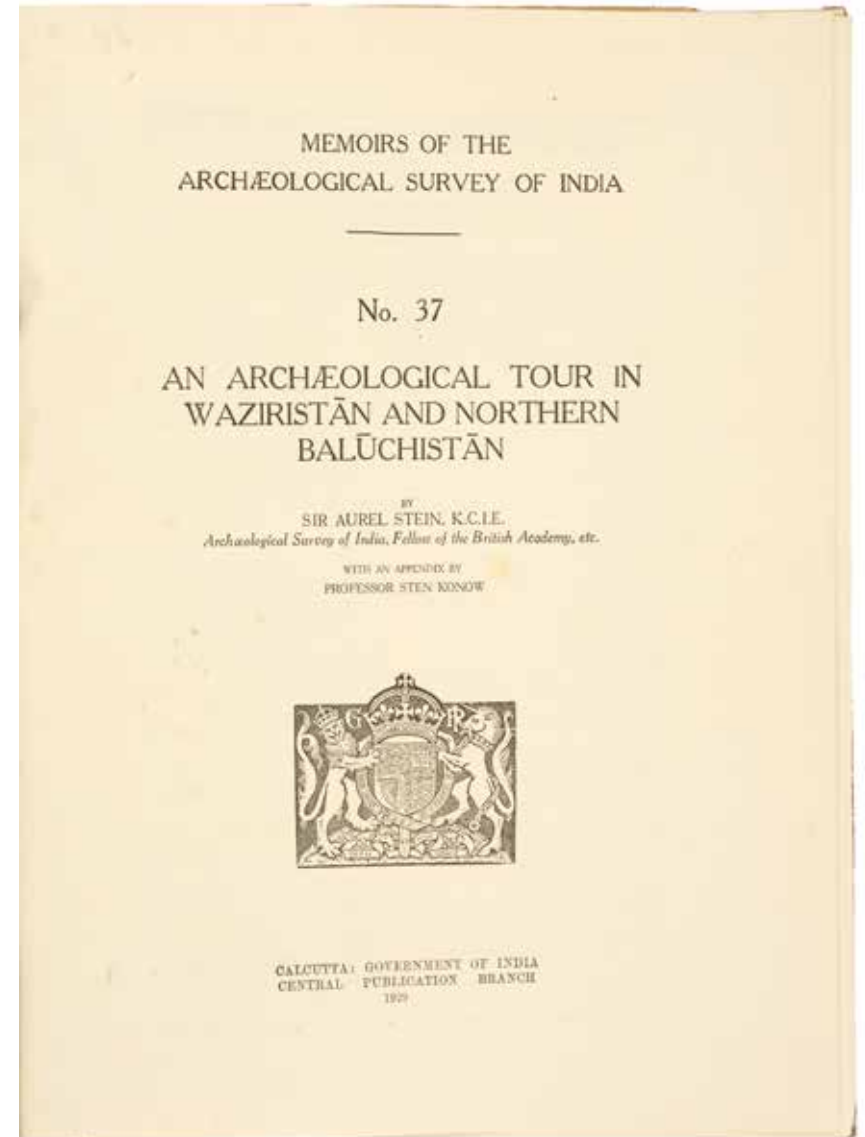
The copy of the archaeologist Stuart Piggott.

1929 Calcutta Government of India First edition, folio, pp.97, iii, 21 plates, 8 plans, 28 illustrations, folding map. Memoirs of the Archaeological Survey of India, No.37. Bound in contemporary cloth. One gathering slightly loose. Map detached but present. Otherwise a very good copy. The copy of the archaeologist Stuart Piggott, who was posted to India during the Second World War, with his ownership signature. *Erdelyi* 1.118.

208868

£1,250

A report on excavations carried out in 1927 within Waziristan and along the foothills on the Dera Ismail Khan border, including sites in Zhob, Pishin and Loralai. Stein investigated ancient burial mounds and the Buddhist stupa at Tor-Dherai, and established a chronology of prehistoric and later ceramic ware of the region..



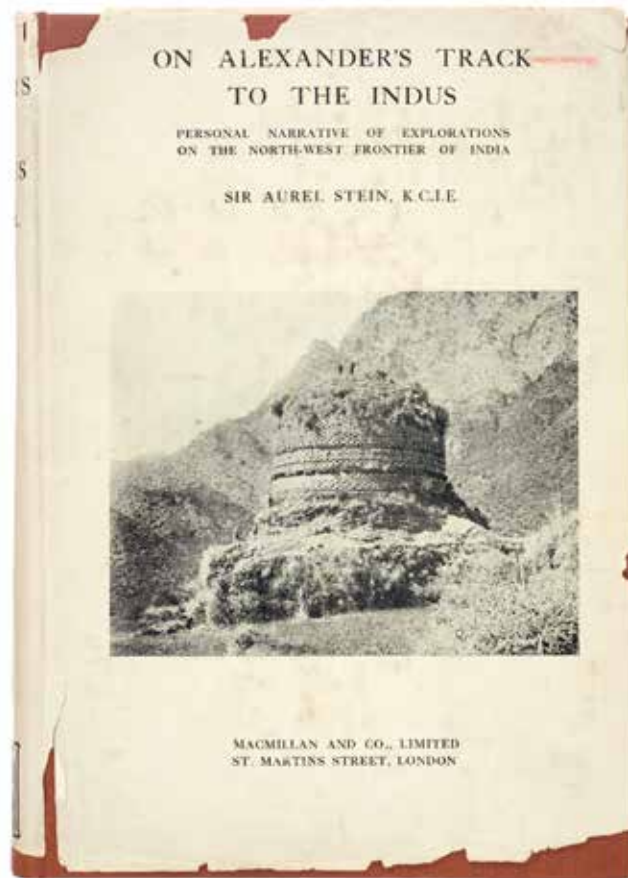
47

The personal narrative of Stein's exploration of Swat
On Alexander's Track to the Indus.
 Personal Narrative of Explorations on the
 North-West Frontier of India.

1929 London Macmillan First edition, pp.xvi, 182, 98 illustrations, 2 folding, 2 folding maps. A very good copy in second issue matt cloth, without gilt medallion, top edge gilt. Rather frayed dust jacket.
Erdelyi 1.111; Yakushi S721a

208836

SOLD



The account of Stein's 1925 season in which he traced the route of Alexander's armies through the Swat valley and discovered the true site of Aornos.

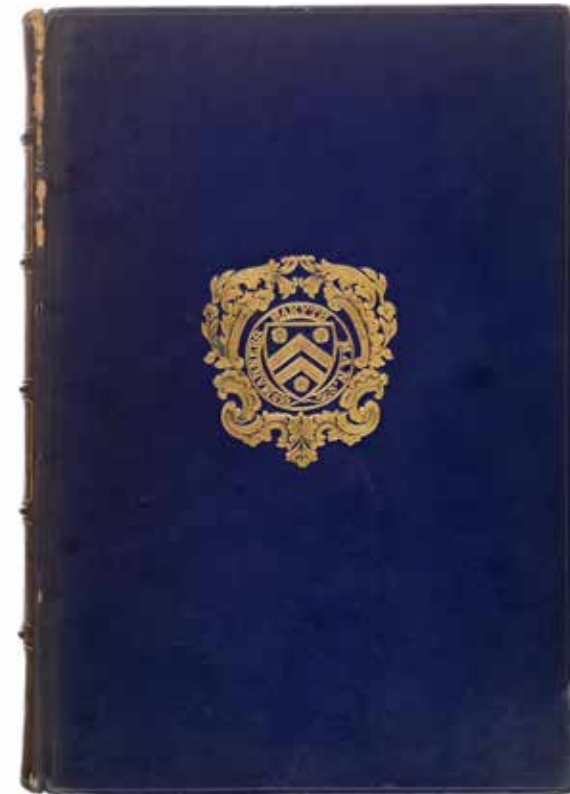
48

On Alexander's Track to the Indus.
 Personal Narrative of Explorations on the
 North-West Frontier of India.

Another copy, first edition pp.xvi, 182, 98 illustrations, 2 folding, 2 folding maps. A very good copy bound in full contemporary calf with gilt motto on front board, top-edge gilt. Spine a little rubbed.

66424

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49

On Alexander's Track to the Indus.
 Another copy

1974 Chicago reprint, pp.xvi, 182, 98 plates, two folding, 2 folding maps (on 1 sheet) in rear pocket. A very good copy in original cloth.

54072

£25

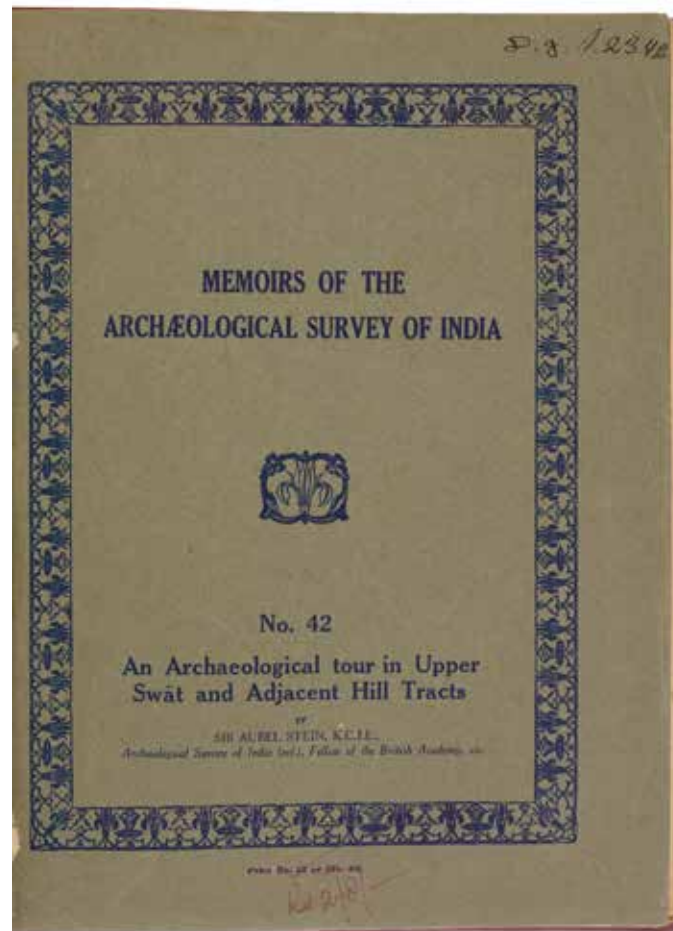
50

An Archaeological Tour in Upper Swat and adjacent Hill Tracts.

1930 Calcutta Government of India Central Publication Branch First edition, folio, pp.iii, 115, 66 illustrations, 8 plates, 2 folding colour maps. Memoirs of the Archaeological Survey of India, No.42. One of 750 copies only. A good copy bound in contemporary or slightly later Indian cloth, original wrappers bound in. Minor repairs to edges of two plates. *Erdelyi* 1.120.

110094

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Results of an exploratory tour in 1926.

51

An Archaeological Tour in Gedrosia. With an appendix by Lt.-Colonel R.B. Sewell and B.S. Guha.

1931 Calcutta Government of India Central Publication Branch First edition, folio, pp.x, 211, 33 plates, 64 illustrations, 13 plans, folding map. MASI, No.43. One of 750 copies only. A very good copy in later wrappers. *Erdelyi* 1.123.

120296

£650



A record of Stein's excavations in Kalat State.

52

An Archaeological Tour in Gedrosia.

Another copy, title page creased, and frayed at edge. Otherwise a very good copy rebound in modern boards.

208872

SOLD

53

On ancient tracks past the Pamirs.

Typed compliments slip from the author loosely inserted.

1932 Calcutta Thacker's Press & Directories Ltd. An offprint from the Himalayan Journal Vol.IV, 1932, pp.26, folding map. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.126.*

208505

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54

The site of Alexander's passage of the Hydaspes and the battle with Poros.

With the printed note: Presented with Sir Aurel Stein's Compliments.

1932 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal for July, 1932, pp.(31)-46, illustrations, map. A very good copy in original wrappers. With the printed note: Presented with Sir Aurel Stein's Compliments, and, added in Stein's hand: "& kindest remembrances". With the Biblioteca de Filippi bookplate. *Erdelyi 1.129.*

208499

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The site of Alexander's passage of the Hydaspes and the battle with Poros.

Another copy, disbound, pp.(31)-46, illustrations, map.

209408

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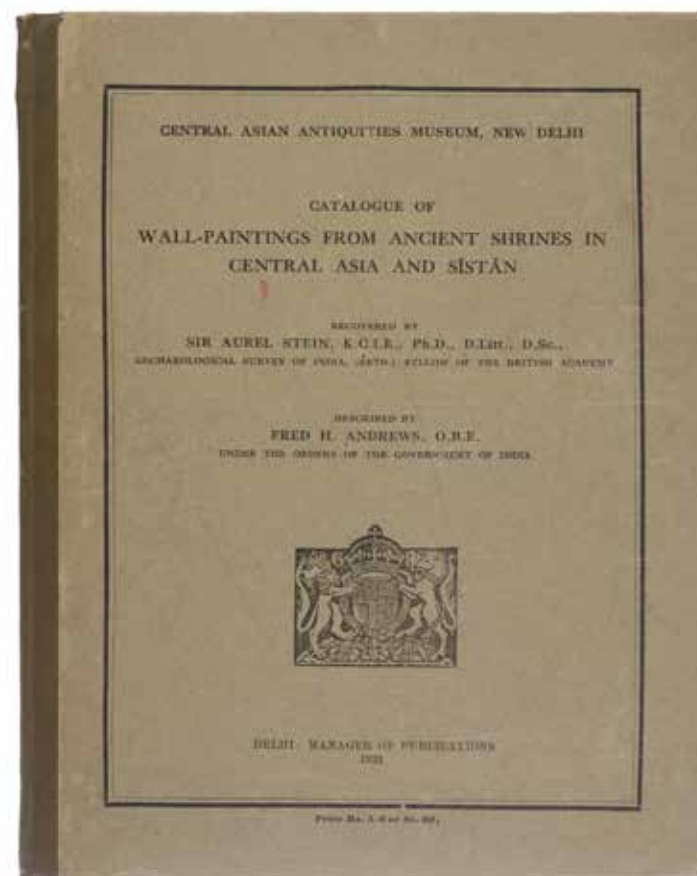
Catalogue of Wall-Paintings from Ancient Shrines in Central Asia and Sistan.

Central Asian Antiquities Museum, New Delhi.

Recovered by Sir Aurel Stein. Described by Fred H. Andrews.

1933 Delhi Manager of Publications First edition, 4to, pp.xiii, 201, 6 plates, folding map. A very good copy in the original cloth-backed boards. *Erdelyi 2.03.*

43667

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A description of the wall-paintings Sir Aurel Stein transported to India from his 1906-1908 and 1913-1916 Central Asian Expeditions along the old caravan routes of Chinese Turkestan.

57

Note on a map of the Turfan Basin.

*Loosely inserted slip, not in Stein's hand:
Presented with the author's compliments.*

1933 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal, vol.LXXXII, no.3, September 1933, pp.(236)-246, large folding map. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.132.*

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58

Note on a map of the Turfan Basin.

1933 London Royal Geographical Society A paper from the Geographical Journal, vol.LXXXII, no.3, September 1933, pp.(236)-246, large folding map. A very good disbound copy. *Erdelyi 1.132.*

209451

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59

Overview of all three Central Asian expeditions
On Ancient Central-Asian Tracks.

Brief Narrative of Three Expeditions in Innermost Asia and North-Western China.

1933 London Macmillan First edition, pp.xxiv, 342, colour frontispiece, 147 illustrations, folding map. A very good copy in original cloth, top-edge gilt, lightly frayed and chipped dust jacket. *Erdelyi 1.131.*

208837

SOLD

59

Overview of all three Central Asian expeditions
 (continued)


A succinct account of Stein's three great expeditions of antiquarian and geographical exploration in Chinese Turkestan and adjacent parts of innermost Asia, which originated with his Lowell Lectures delivered at Harvard in 1929.

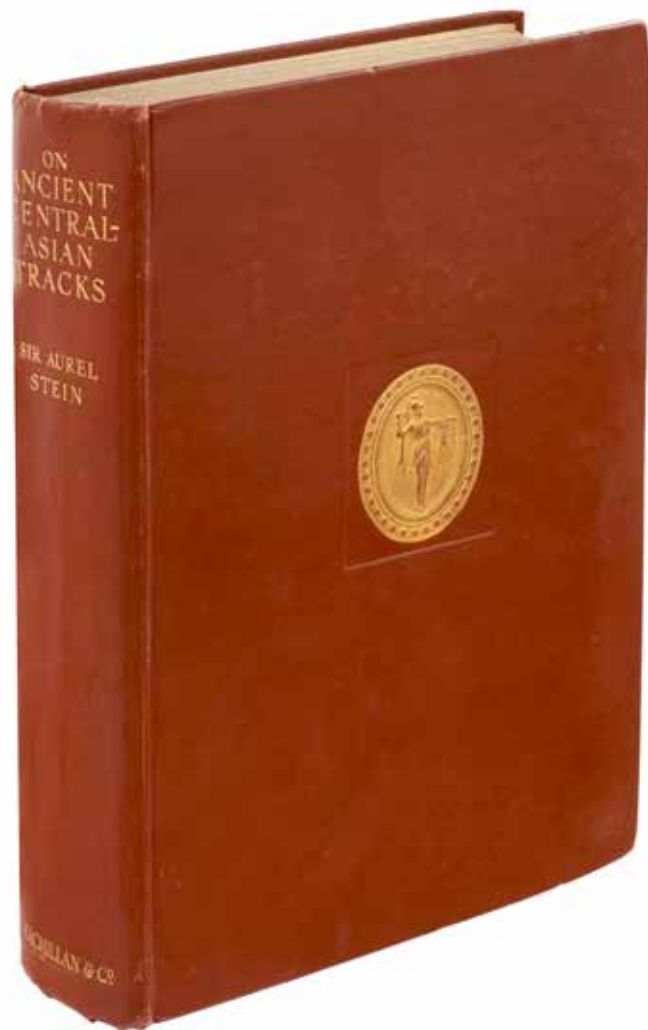
60

On Ancient Central-Asian Tracks.

Another copy of the first edition, pp.xxiv, 342, colour frontispiece, 147 illustrations, folding map. A very good copy in original cloth, minor wear to head and tail of spine. Map slightly mis-folded. From the library of Filippo de Filippi, close friend and colleague of Stein, with his printed shelf-mark and catalogue slip.

78053

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61

Catalogue of Wall-Paintings from Ancient Shrines in Central Asia and Sistan.

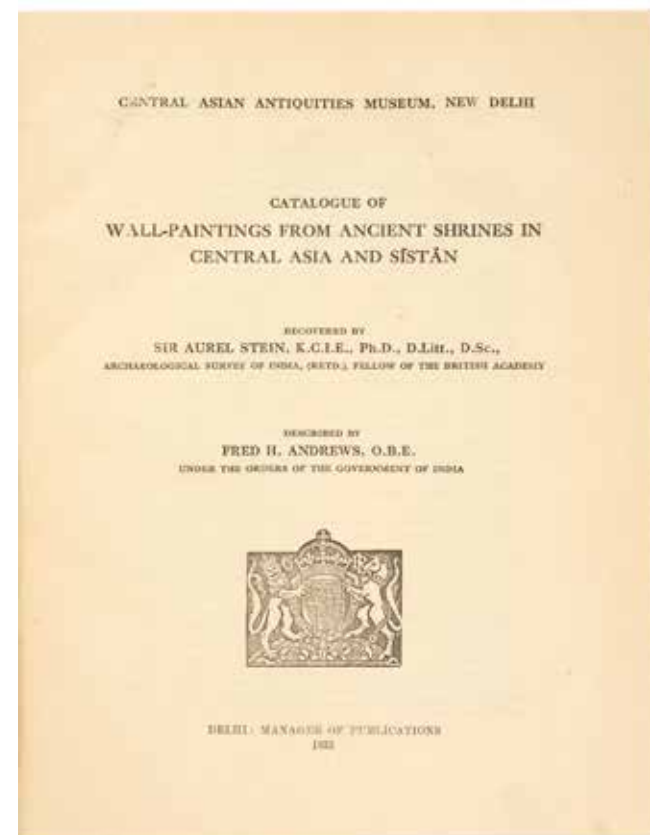
Central Asian Antiquities Museum, New Delhi.
Recovered by Sir Aurel Stein. Described by Fred H. Andrews

1933 Delhi Manager of Publications First edition, 4to, pp.xiii, 201, 6 plates, folding map. One of 500 copies printed. A very good copy bound in later buckram by Ambala Book Binding House. Blind stamp of K.A. Gai of Peshawar.

207408

£650

A description of the wall-paintings Sir Aurel Stein transported to India from his 1906-1908 and 1913-1916 Central Asian Expeditions along the old caravan routes of Chinese Turkestan.



62

The Indo-Iranian borderlands: their prehistory in the light of geography and of recent explorations.

From the library of Filippo de Filippi with his small book label.

1934 London Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland An offprint from the Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute, Vol.LXIV, July-December 1934, 4to, pp.(179)-202, 7 leaves of plates, 2 folding maps. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.137.*

207355

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63

The Indo-Iranian borderlands:

Another very good copy in original printed wrappers, spine faded and a little worn.

206700

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64

The Indo-Iranian borderlands:

Another copy, disbound.

209423

£25

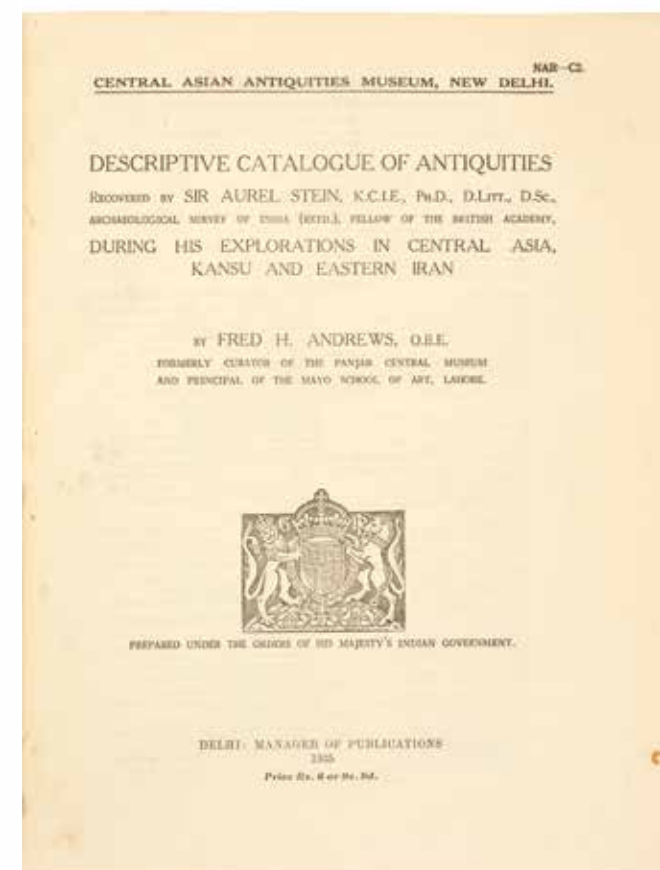
65

Descriptive Catalogue of Antiquities recovered by Sir Aurel Stein during his explorations in Central Asia, Kansu and Eastern Iran

1935 Delhi Manager of Publications First edition, 4to, pp.x, 445, 3 illustrations, folding map. One of 500 copies printed. A very good copy bound in half leather by Ambala Book Binding House. Bookseller's blind stamp of K. Gai, Peshawar. *Erdelyi 2.04.*

207411

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A description of the artefacts collected by Aurel Stein and transported to New Delhi from his expeditions of 1906-8 and 1913-16.

66

An archaeological tour in the ancient Persis.

Overprinted: Presented with Sir Aurel Stein's compliments.

1935 London Iraq; printed at the University Press, Oxford An offprint from Iraq, Vol III., No.2, 4to, pp.(111)-225, 23 plates, 19 plans, large folding colour map. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1:142.*

208844

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A comprehensive account of an archaeological survey conducted in the Iranian Province of Fars between November 1933 and May 1934, not to be confused with the same title published in the Geographical Journal, which is a summary.

67

An archaeological tour in the ancient Persis.

1935 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal, vol.LXXXVI, no.6, December 1935, pp.(489)-497, illustrations, large folding map of Province of Fars. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.140.*

208501

SOLD

68

Reply made by Sir Aurel Stein on being presented with the gold medal of the Society of Antiquaries, London, at their meeting, April 30th, 1935.

Inscribed: With kindest remembrances of A S.

1935 London Society of Antiquaries An offprint from the Antiquaries Journal, vol.XV, no.3, July 1935, pp.(260)-264. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.141.*

208506

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69

Reply made by Sir Aurel Stein on being presented with the gold medal of the Society of Antiquaries,

Inscribed: With kind remembrances, A.S.

Another very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.141.*

208891

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70

Ancient ways in Iran. A fourth journey.

I. Traces of Alexander the Great. II.

Luristan. From the oilfields to the heights.

Inscribed: Sent as a sign of life, with kindest regards of A.S.

1936 London The Times An article in two parts published in The Times on July 6 & 7, 1936. Folded. *Not in Erdelyi.*

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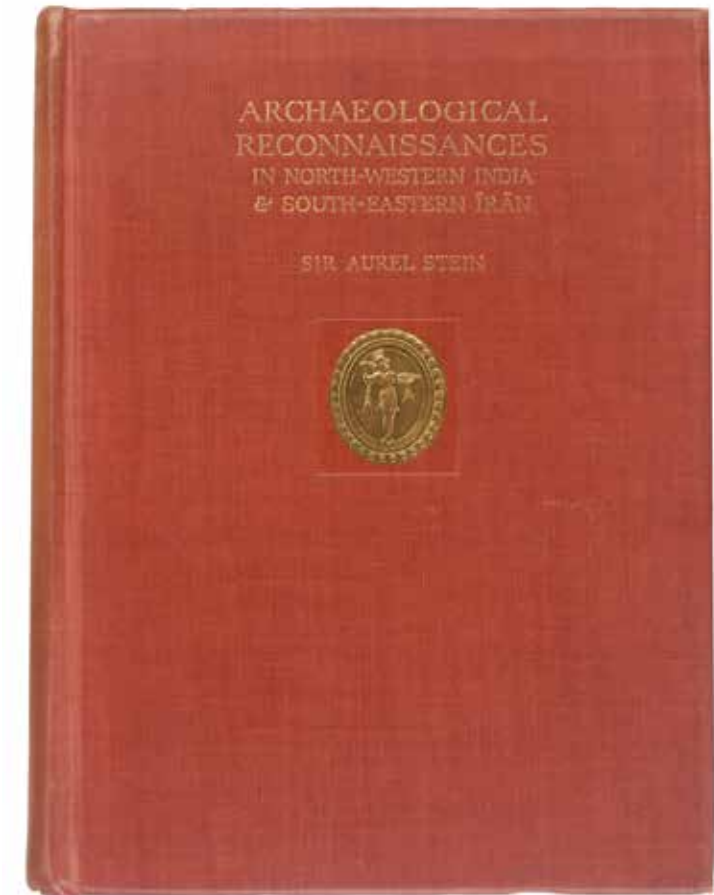
SOLD

Archaeological Reconnaissances in North-Western India and South-Eastern Iran. Carried out and recorded with the support of Harvard University and the British Museum. Antiques examined and described with the assistance of Fred H. Andrews and analysed in an appendix by R.L. Hobson.

1937 London Macmillan First edition, first issue, folio, pp.xix, 267, 34 plates, 6 in colour, 88 illustrations, 22 maps and plans, 2 large folding in pocket. A very good clean copy in original cloth, top edge gilt. Reference library bookplate (withdrawn) on end-paper, discreet stamps on title and reverse of plates, gilt number on spine.
Erdelyi 1.145.

56808

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A record of Stein's explorations, mainly archaeological, during the years 1931-33. Unable to work in Turkestan at this time due to nationalist activity, Stein continued his work "on Alexander's tracks" in the Punjab, the Shahpur district, Persian Makran, the Bampur Basin, Rudbar and Jiruft, and along the Persian Gulf Coast.

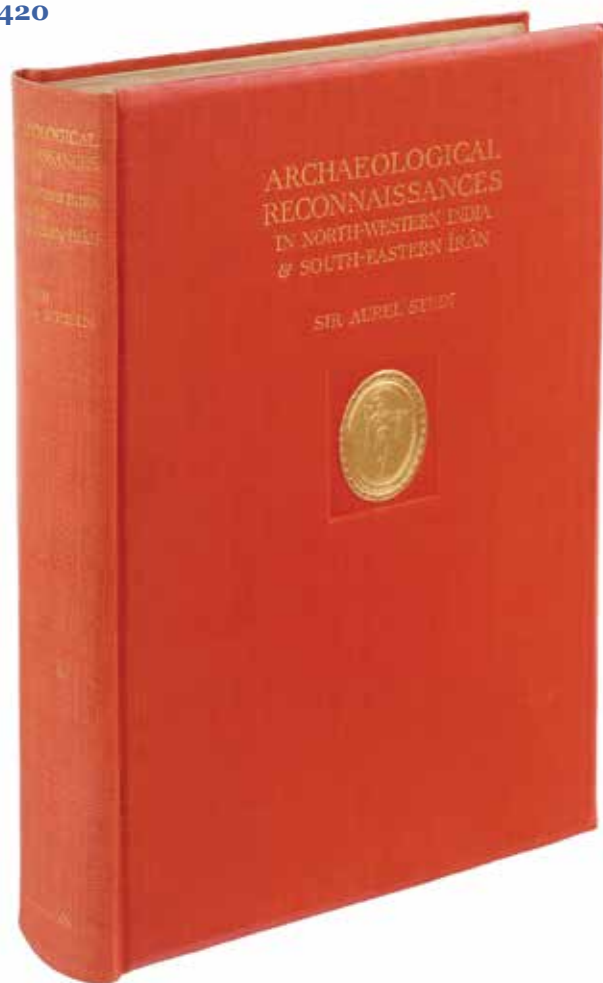
The first issue, with two large folding maps in pocket: Parts of the Provinces of Baluchistan and Kerman, [and] Parts of the Provinces of Kerman and Gulf Coast.

72 *Archaeological Reconnaissances in North-Western India and South-Eastern Iran.*

Another copy, first edition, second issue, folio, pp.xix, 267, 34 plates, 6 in colour, 88 illustrations, 2 maps, 1 folding, 18 plans. Without the two large folding maps, Baluchistan and Kerman, and Kerman and Gulf Coast. Fine copy in original cloth, top edge gilt.

80420

£1,000



The first copies issued were bound with a rear pocket with two large folding maps. As insufficient maps were produced, this second issue was bound without pocket or maps

73 *Early Relations between India and Iran.*

Paper read before the East India Association at the Caxton Hall, on Tuesday, November 16, 1937.

[1938] London [East India Association] An offprint from Journal of the East India Association, pp.19. A very good disbound copy. Light spotting to covers. *Erdelyi 1.149.*

209380

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74 *An archaeological journey in western Iran.*

Typed compliment slip from the author.

1938 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal, vol.XCII, no.4, October 1938, pp.(313)-342, 23 illustrations, large folding map of western Iran. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi 1.148.*

208503

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75 *An archaeological journey in western Iran.* [bound with] Surveys on the Roman frontier in Iraq and Trans-Jordan [and] Note on the remains of Roman limes in north-western Iraq.

1938-1940 London Royal Geographical Society Three extracts from the Geographical Journal, vol.XCII, no.4, October 1938, pp.(313)-342, 23 illustrations, large folding map of western Iran; XCV, (428)-438, 8 illustrations, map; XCII, (62)-66, map. A very good set bound in later cloth. *Erdelyi 1.148, 1.158, 1.147.*

209406

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76

Note on remains of the Roman limes in North-western Iraq.

1938 London Royal Geographical Society An offprint from the Geographical Journal, vol.XCII, no.1, July 1938, pp.(62)-66, map. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi*, 1.147.

208502

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77

In Memoriam Filippo de Filippi.

Typed compliment slip from the author.

1939 London The Alpine Club An offprint from The Alpine Journal, November 1939, pp.(296)-303, portrait. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi* 1.155.

208507

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78

Une récente exploration en Transjordanie.

Presented with best compliments of A. Stein.

1939 Paris Auguste Picard An offprint from Académie des Inscriptions & Belles-Lettres, Comptes rendus, 1939, pp.(262)-268. A very good copy in original wrappers. *Erdelyi* 1.156.

209414

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79

Old Routes of Western Iran.

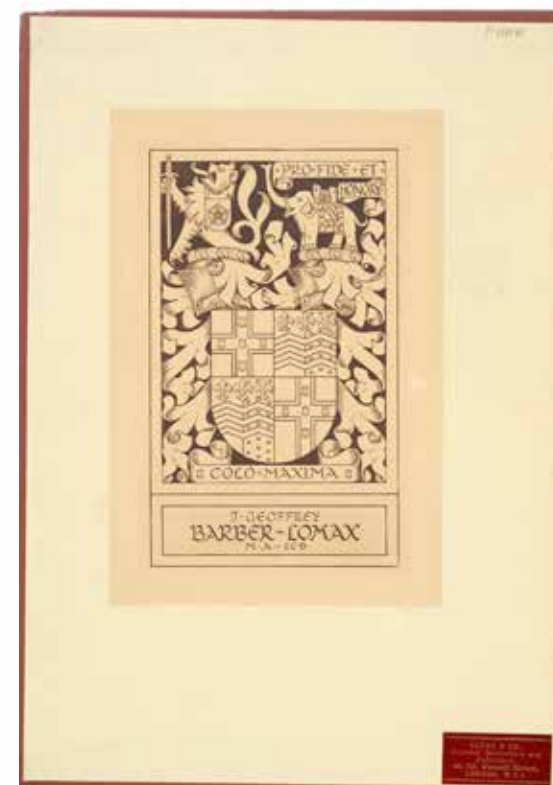
Narrative of an Archaeological Journey carried out and recorded. Antiquities examined, described and illustrated with the assistance of Fred. H. Andrews.

1940 London Macmillan First edition, pp.xxviii, 432, 31 plates, 112 illustrations, 8 maps, 1 large folding in rear pocket, 25 plans. A very good copy in original cloth, one corner slightly bumped. Armorial bookplate of Joshua Geoffrey Barber-Lomax, third generation of an important Lancashire cotton enterprise. *Erdelyi* 1.157.

49207

SOLD

Account of explorations undertaken in 1932-36 through southern and western Iran from Baluchistan to Kurdistan. Much of the stock of this title was destroyed when Macmillans warehouse was burned during the blitz (see Mirsky, p.526).



80

From Swat to the Gorges of the Indus.

1942 London Royal Geographical Society A paper in The Geographical Journal, Vol C, No.2, pp.(49)-56, illustrations, map. Whole issue included. A very good copy in original wrappers. Stamp of The Mountaineers on cover.

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Notes on Alexander's Crossing of the Tigris and the Battle of Arbela.

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1942 London Royal Geographical Society A paper in the Geographical Journal, Vol.C, No.4, pp.(155)-164, map. Whole issue included. *Erdelyi* 1.164.

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A Survey of Ancient Sites along the “Lost” Saraswati River.

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1942 London Royal Geographical Society Four offprints from the Geographical Journal, 99, pp.(173)-182, map; 100, pp.(49)-56, illustrations, map; 100, pp.(155)-164, map; 102, pp.(193)-227, illustrations, map. A very good set bound in later cloth. *Erdelyi 1.162; 1.163; 1.164; 1.166.*

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Sir Aurel Stein, 1862-1943.

An obituary by C.E.A.W. Oldham. 1943 London The British Academy; Humphrey Milford First edition, An offprint from the Proceedings of the British Academy vol.XXIX. pp.20, frontispiece portrait. A very good copy in original wrappers. Bookplate of Printer's Library Pattern. *Not in Erdelyi.*

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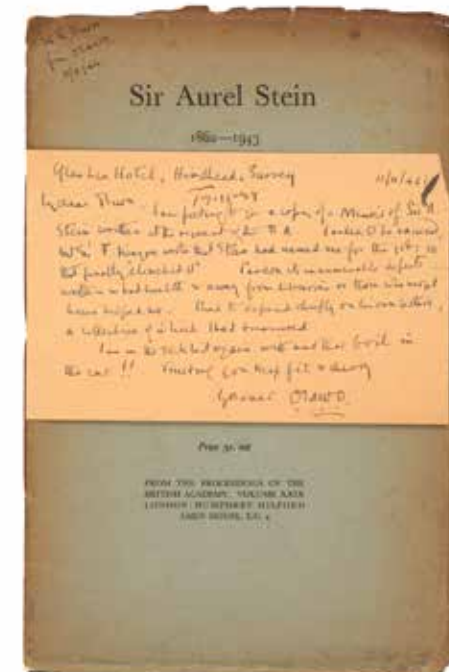
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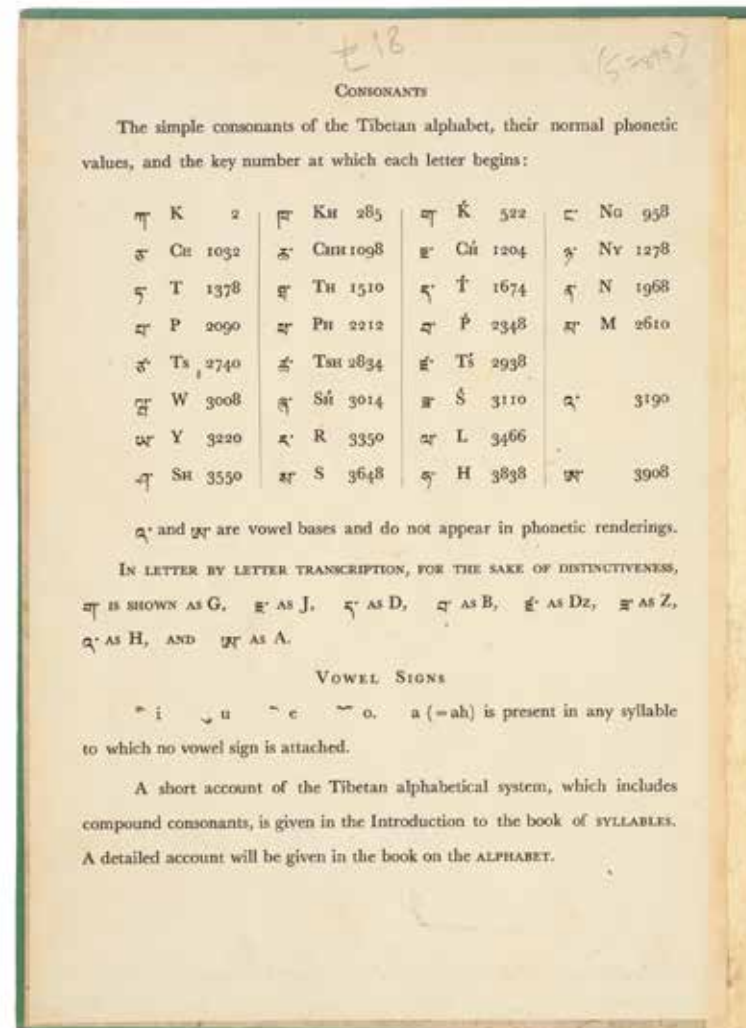
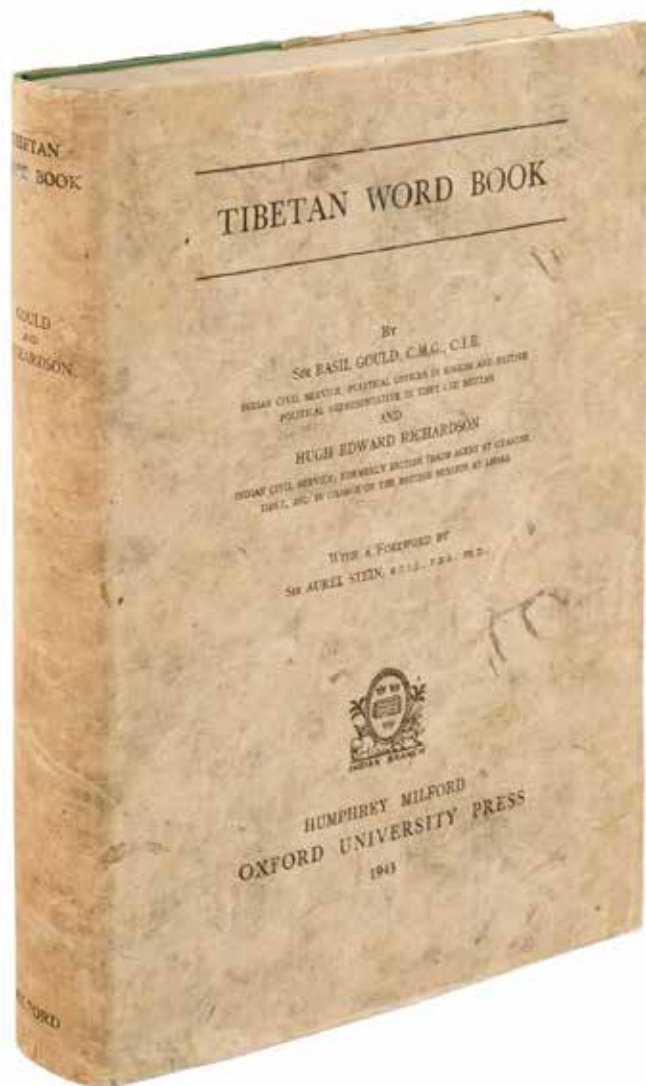
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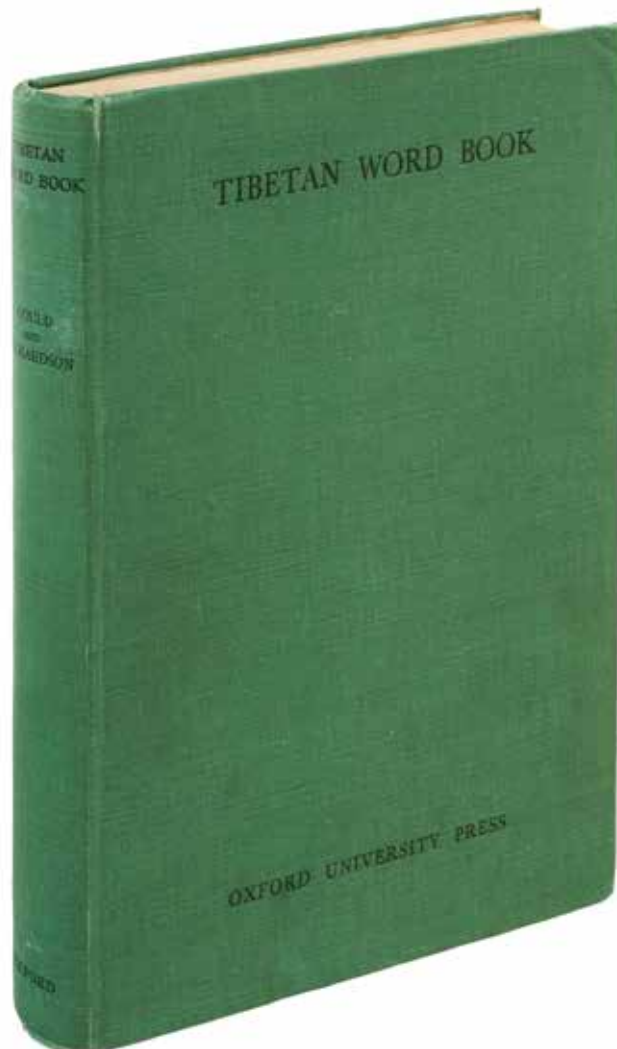
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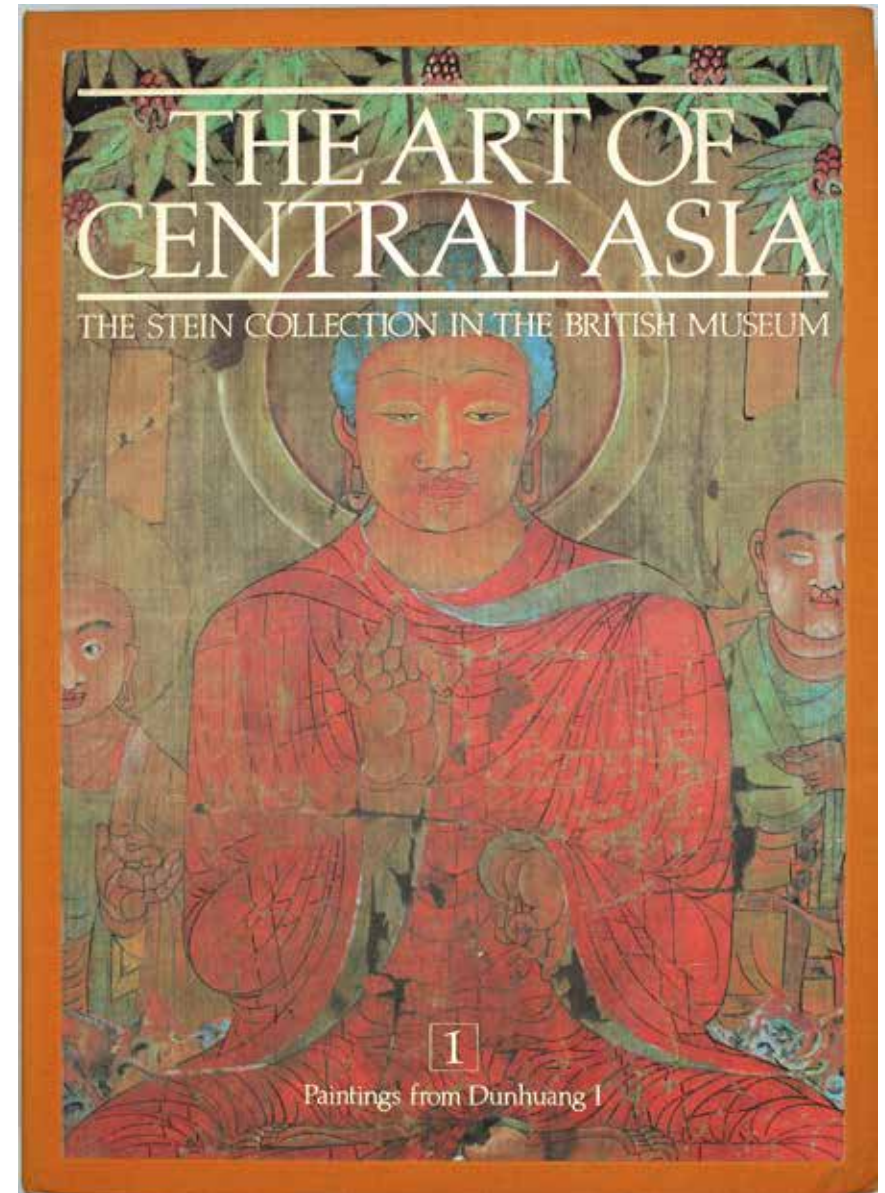
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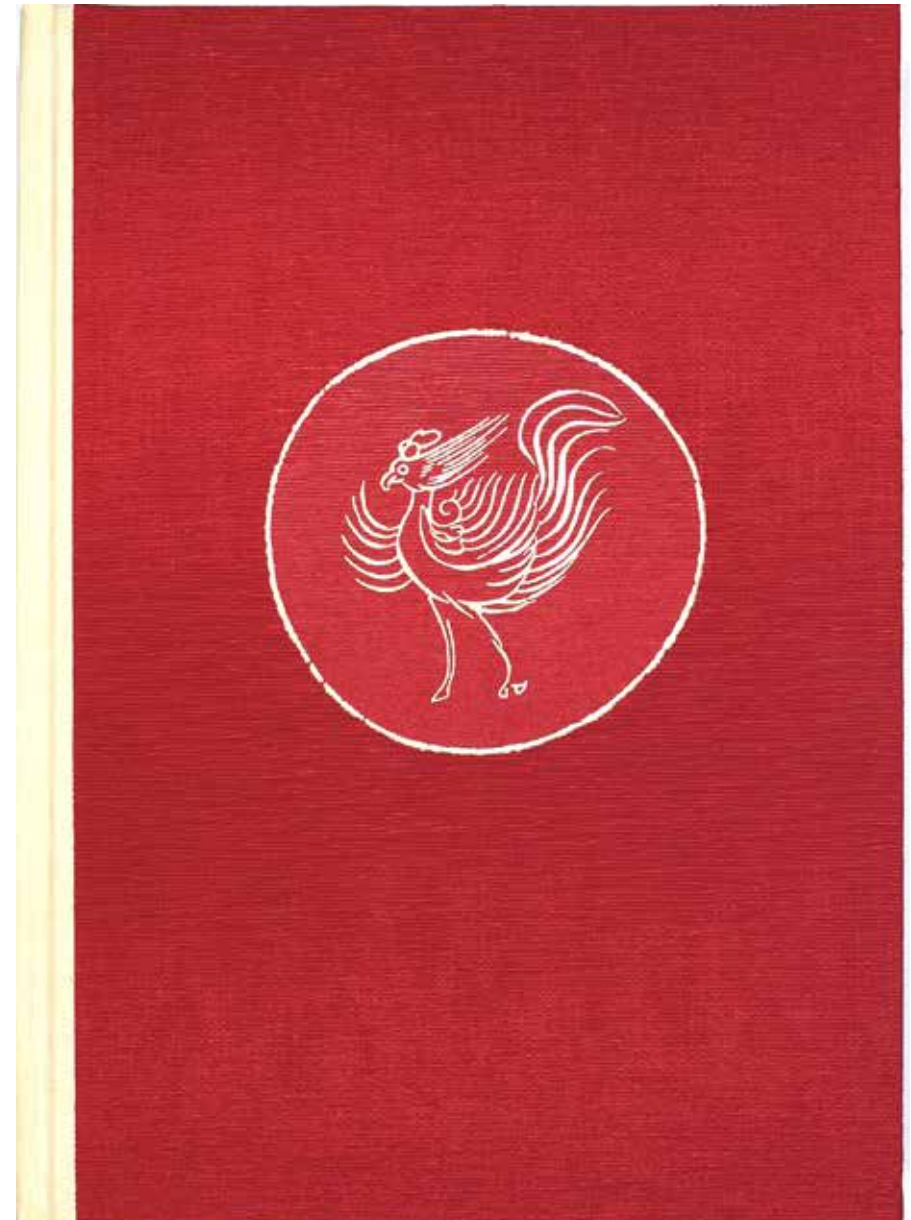
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The Arts of Central Asia: The Pelliot Collection in the Musee Guimet.

General Editor Jacques Gies. Translated
by Hero Friesen in collaboration with
Roderick Whitfield.

1996 Paris: London Reunion des Musees Nationaux; Serindia First edition, two volumes, folio, pp.372, 446, 767 illustrations, 481 in colour, 7 plans, with English translation in 4to, pp.235. 600 sets were issued, but only 250 copies of the English text. Fine set in original cloth as issued.

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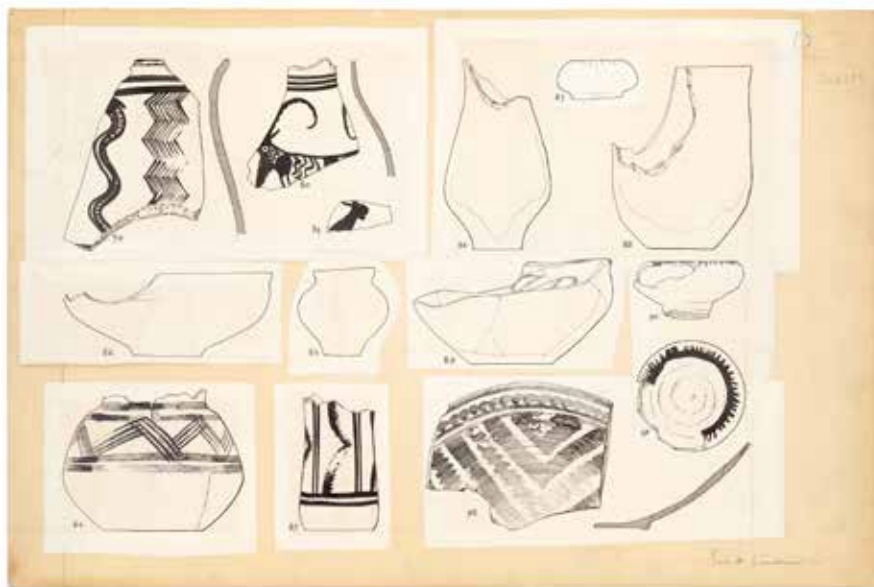
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Giles, Lionel *Dated Chinese Manuscripts in the Stein Collection.*

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1935-37 London School of Oriental and African Studies Four offprints from the Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies, Vols VII-IX, pp.(809)-836; 26; 25; (1023)-1046, 5 plates. A very good set in original wrappers, staples rusted. *Not in Erdelyi.*

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Kowalski, Tadeusz *Sir Aurel Stein's Sprachaufzeichnungen im Äinallu-Dialekt aus Südpersien.* Zapiski Sir Aurela Steina w dialekcie Äinallu z południowej Persji.

1937 Krakow Nakladem Poskiej Akademii Umiejetnosci First edition pp.70, 2 plates. Text in German and Ainallu. Polska Akademia Umiejetnosci. Prace Komisji Orientalistycznej, Nr 29. Mémoires de la Commission Orientaliste, No 29. Contents very good, original wrappers a little frayed.

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On Stein's records of the Ainallu dialect.

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Schindler, B. *Preliminary account of the work of Henry Maspero* concerning the Chinese documents on wood and on paper discovered by Sir Aurel Stein on his third expedition to Central Asia.

1949 London Taylor's Foreign Press An offprint from Asia Major, Vol.I, Part II, pp.(216)-264, 8 plates. A very good copy in original wrappers. A few ink annotations in a knowledgeable hand. *Not in Erdelyi.*

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Maspero, Henri, editor *Les Documents Chinois de la Troisieme Expedition de Sir Aurel Stein en Asie Centrale*. Edited by the late Henri Maspero.

1953 London The Trustees of the British Museum First edition 4to, pp.xii, 268, 40 plates. Fine copy in original cloth, plain dust jacket. *Erdelyi, 2.25*

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The results of Maspero's fifteen years' study of 930 manuscripts discovered by Sir Aurel Stein on his third Central Asian Expedition of 1913-15 at Tun-Huang, Turfan, and Khara-Khoto.

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Hoernle, A.F. Rudolf *Manuscript Remains of Buddhist Literature found in Eastern Turkestan*. Facsimiles of manuscripts in Sanskrit, Khotanese, Kuchean, Tibetan and Chinese, with transcripts, translations and notes.

1970 Amsterdam Philo Press Reprint, pp.xxxvi, 412, 22 folding plates. Fine copy in original cloth.

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First published in 1916. Many of these manuscripts were brought back by Aurel Stein.

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Wang Jiqing *Photographs in the British Library* of Documents and Manuscripts from Sir Aurel Stein's Fourth Central Asian Expedition.

1998 London British Library A stapled offprint from The British Library Journal, Volume 24, No.1, pp.(23)-74, 31 plates.

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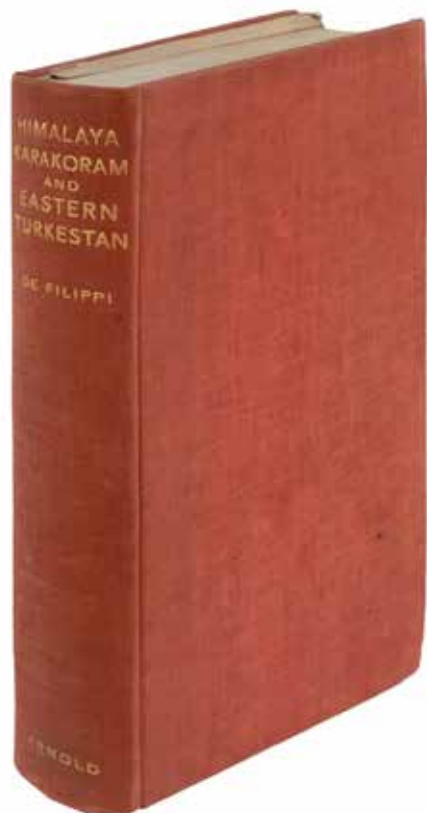
Last, but not least, the first book reviewed by Aurel Stein

“I could not read now those chapters without being impressed by the accuracy of De Filippi’s descriptions of the great valleys traversed”

Filippi, Filippo de *The Italian Expedition to the Himalaya, Karakoram and Eastern Turkestan* (1913-1914).

1932 London Edward Arnold First edition, pp.xvi, 528, 2 colour plates, 15 folding panoramas (8 on 6 sheets in pocket), over 300 illustrations, 4 maps in colour (2 large folding in pocket). A very good copy in original cloth.

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Filippo De Filippi (1869–1938) was an Italian doctor, mountaineer and explorer. In this book he provides a detailed description of the Italian expedition he led in 1913-14 from India through Kashmir, Baltistan and Ladakh, to Yarkand, Kashgar and Andijan. He spent the winter in Skardu, and some two months in Leh. The scientific results were published separately in a series of volumes in Italian.

Aurel Stein, close friend and great admirer of De Filippi, wrote in his review: “A comprehensive and delightfully readable account of the great scientific expedition... Dr De Filippi’s exceptional qualities as an explorer... in him organizing capacity is combined with rare keenness of observation for things physical and human as well as with the gift of clear and graphic description.”

Stein went further a few years later in his obituary of Filippi: “His exceptional powers of rapid and yet true observation and the thorough care taken by him in checking and recording them reveal themselves most clearly by the full description which in chapters II-IX he devotes to the journey through Kashmir, the Indus valley and Baltistan. It is ground with much of which prolonged labours, antiquarian and topographical, in Kashmir have familiarized me. I could not read now those chapters without being impressed by the accuracy of De Filippi’s descriptions of the great valleys traversed, by the lucid analysis of their geographical features and the careful attention paid to the anthropology, the character and the historical past of their populations.”

– Aurel Stein, obituary of Filippo di Filippi, published in *The Alpine Journal*, November 1939.



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