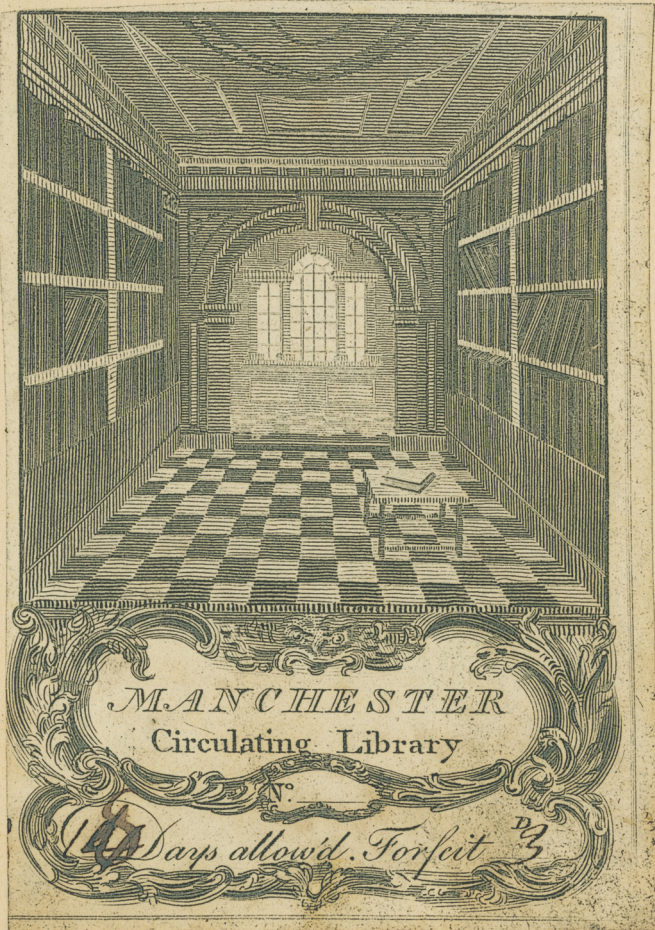


ON Monday the 2d of September, 1805, It was resolved by the Committee, that the thirteenth Rule, which relates to the Damaging of the Library-books, be henceforth strictly enforced: and that those Subscribers, in whose Hands any Book shall be, when the Leaves, Plates or Maps are torn or cut out, shall buy a new Book, or Set of Books, to supply the Place of that, which shall be so damaged.

35 Plates



No date engraved about 1780 - 57-
Slater

The information below is lifted from a (viewersite.wordpress) blog post of mine dated April 1 2008 and has been slightly expanded for Novel Lines Bookshop event, December 15 2011.

Lewis Jaffe's 'bookplate junkie' mentions our bookplate collection.

Here is the link to Lew's blog:
<http://bookplatejunkie.blogspot.com/>

In the last few blog posts Lew has been discussing storage and presentation options available to collectors of bookplates. I sent him these because they are quite unique, in that the collection remains in it's early 1800 storage system. Leather covered boxes made in the shape of a book volume with tooled and gilt rubbed spines - all five similar and the sixth a version from later in the 19th century.



Each bookplate has been laid down on archival paper and cut to fit the page size of the wooden case. Most have pencil notes from the turn of the 19th century alluding to the market value with associated notes of interest pertaining to both the plate's owner, sometimes the engraver and the specifics of the plate. The value system derived from J.H. Slater's hard bound volume entitled: 'Bookplates and their value' published in London in 1898. This covering English and American plates, systems of classification and the principals of valuation.

In London in 2007 Barbara and I strolled out of the British Museum and across the road to a bus stop when I chanced on a long row of Antiquarian bookseller's shops. Without hesitation I went into the first one and asked

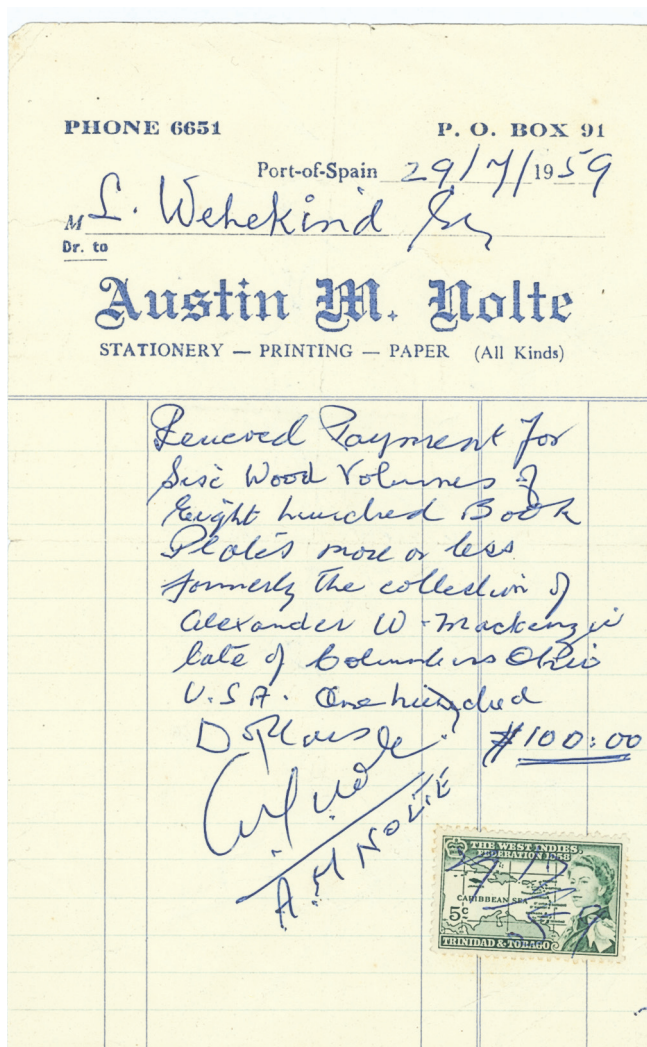
if they had Slater? "No" was the answer "but three doors up you will find Slater and even W.J. Hardy's Book Plates - if you like". £16.50 & £15.00 respectively exchanged hands and I had the two most important books on the subject to lug back home to Australia.



Here's a bookplate from the Vatican - Pope Gregory XV - dated 1621. A Continental engraving with coloured features and quilled annotation. Just one of the nearly 900 plates from three generations of McKenzie bookplate collectors. My (almost retired) friend and antique dealer in Sydney, Bruce McLeod bought the collection in Trinidad in the 1950's from the estate of the third owner, an American named Alexander W. McKenzie of Columbus, Ohio - Lew's research details this in the blog. I'll also scan and drop in the piece of paper ephemera, the receipt for the collection.

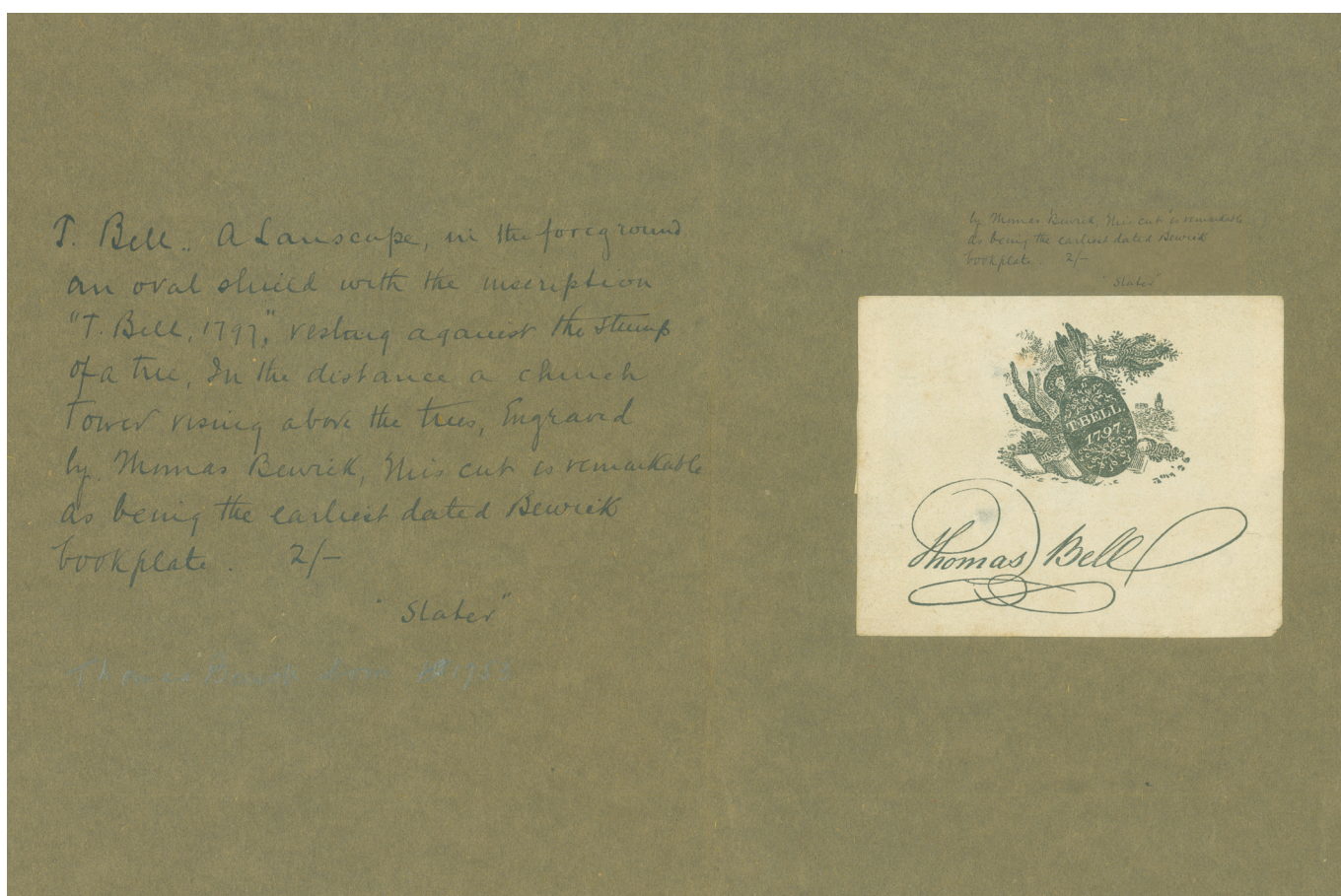
Bruce offered me this bookplate collection in its entirety in 2006 saying he had kept it intact all his dealing life and he selected me as its next protector - reiterating we don't actually own things we are merely custodians for our lifetime.

The previous cover page shows one of two plates on a library theme - a favourite, with annotations and a price from Slater giving an engraving date of 'about 1780'.

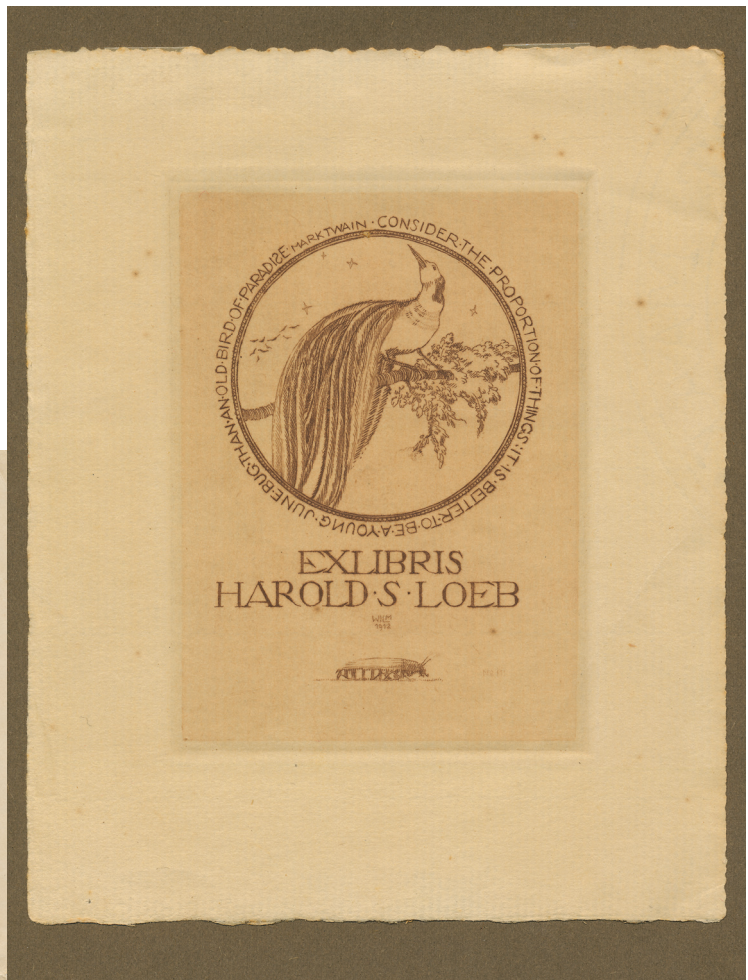
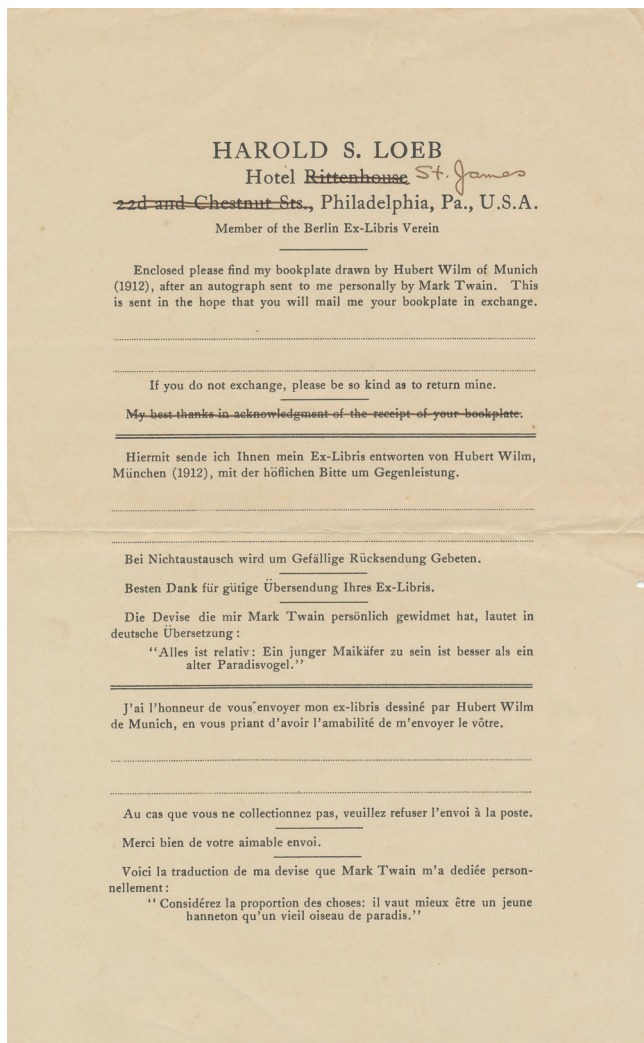


April 9 2008 - Update 1: for Lewis Jaffe, here's another of my favourite plates from the collection, the earliest dated Thomas Bewick engraved plate, see below:

April 11 2008 - Update 2: Dear Lew, finding the earlier owners of the collection has been hard to pin down. First, there are numerous envelopes with letters and bookplate folders from turn-of-the-century bookplate collectors and book sellers on both sides of the Atlantic. I'll start with Thomas Thorp, secondhand bookseller at 109-110 High Street Guildford to A.W. MacKenzie Esq., then receipts for French bookplates sent to Mrs Alexander MacKenzie, 33 North Ohio Avenue, City. In exchange cards from Eva Lewis, she exchanged the Musical ex-libris of Arthur Robinson Stone, etched and signed by George M. White of Salem, Mass 1887. An exchange card and slips from Leroy Truman Goble, Press Club, Chicago USA. Then a letter requesting an impression from the collector - Harry A. Fowler, Kansas City USA. A card request from Charles O. Cornelius, collector, Boston Mass. USA. Two presentation cards with plates engraved by Mr Arthur Engler, from Mr Herman M. Schroeter, member



American Bookplate Society 1913. Envelope and card from the collector, W. C. Readio. Envelope and letter to Mrs Fred (Dorothy) Hubbard with requests and bookplate paybacks from 61 Park Avenue NYC USA. A letter in an envelope, unsent with A.W. MacKenzie's card. Two plates of a Columbia University Club Library (* you can have one of these) and an old blueprint of a bookplate entitled - Deschler. A letter from the collector, W. F. Hobson. Exchange card from Harold S. Loeb, Philadelphia, USA. A few different exchange cards from Dr Joseph C. Egbert, Wayne, Penna. USA. A lovely card and letter and exchange plates from Margaret Kearsley, Detroit Mich. USA. *Mailed to Lew.

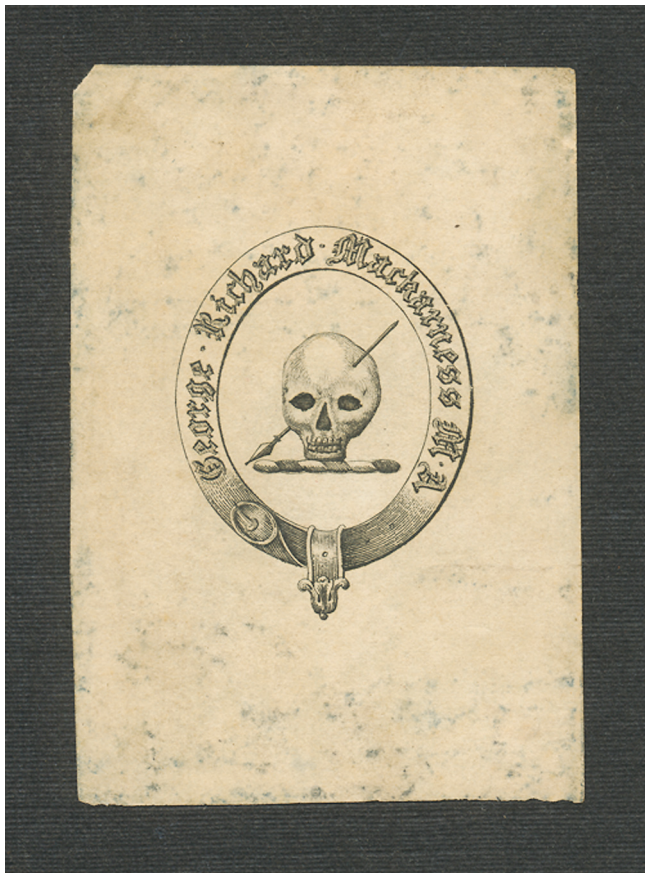


April 16 2008 - Update 3: Dear Lew, Lucky me, I went to book #7 which has the early 20th century plates and found the plate matching the Harold S. Loeb's folded plate request. The one plate drawn by Hubert Wilm of Munich (1912). Here's the card, left and the plate above. The blog has a detail as a link.

The graphic is after an autograph of Mark Twain sent to Loeb by Twain . . . and we know that Harold S. Loeb was one of the editors of the important Literary Journal - 'broom', where he published the early works of Cowley, Stein, Millay, Crane and Cummings. Harold Loeb also achieved lasting literary notoriety when he became the model for the character, Robert Cohen in Hemmingway's 'The sun also rises' - an important memoir of the 1920's.

Lew, I selected this one for you as you are from Philly. What's more there are another 900 bookplates to research (and scan).

April 11 2008 - Update 2, continued:
 Second, as far as the MacKenzies go here's
 the earliest plate, slipped in between the first
 plate and the cover in book #1. George Richard
 Mackarness M.A



And finally there are lists of MacKenzie
 bookplates made at different times, from the
 catalogue of British and American Bookplates
 in the British Library starting with Jacobean
 Armorials [#19268 - (Mackenzie) The most
 Honourable Kenneth, Marquis and Earl of
 Seafort, Viscount of Fortrose, Lord Mackenzie
 and Kintail, and Baron of Ardelfe. (Succeeded
 1740 as 6th Earl and 3rd Marquess; died 1761.
 Arms. Mackenzie quartering Kennett)] . . . also
 a pencilled list numbering another 56 bookplates
 of MacKenzie from another source which has
 been kept together.

No.	From the catalogue of British and American book-plates in the British Museum.	Descriptions
19268	(Mackenzie), The most Honourable Kenneth, Marquis and Earl of Seafort, Viscount of Fortrose, Lord Mackenzie and Kintail, and Baron of Ardelfe. (Succeeded 1740 as 6th Earl and 3rd Marquess; died 1761. Arms. Mackenzie quartering Kennett)	Jacobean Armorial.
19269	(Mackenzie), The Right Honourable George, Earl of Cromartie. (The 2nd Earl; died 1745).	Jacobean Armorial.
19270	(Mackenzie), Farley Court. (Arms. Mackenzie impaling Dalziel. Edward Mackenzie of Farley Court married 1839 as his first wife Mary, daughter of William Dalziel of the Craigs, co. Dumfries.) (Clement, Oxford).	Jacobean Armorial.
19271	(Mackenzie), Alexr.	Pestoon Armorial.
19272	(Mackenzie), Alexander	Armorial.
19273	(Mackenzie), Alex. G. (Arms. Mackenzie impaling Kiteon.) (Baker, Notes by Sir A. W. Franks)	Armorial.
19274	(Mackenzie), Andrew John.	Crest Armorial.
19275	(Mackenzie), Charles.	Armorial.
19276	(Mackenzie), Charles, Esqr. of Kileoy	Armorial.
19277	(Mackenzie), Revd. Charles.	Armorial.
19278	(Mackenzie), R.G.	Armorial.
19279	(Mackenzie), General	Armorial.
19280	(Mackenzie), Geo. H.B. Coll. Reg. Med. Reinburg. Sec. (Andr. Johnston Peit.)	Armorial.
19281	(Mackenzie), H. (Warwick sq. 145 Strand).	Armorial.
19282	(Mackenzie), James	Crest
19283	(Mackenzie), James D. Findon	Crest
19284	(Mackenzie), I. H.	Armorial.
19285	(Mackenzie), Joannes, et Christina Garioch Mansfield uxoris. (Arms. Mackenzie impaling Mansfield.)	Armorial.
19286	(Mackenzie), John	Armorial.
19287	(Mackenzie), John, Esqr.	Armorial.
19288	(Mackenzie), Coll. Jon.	Armorial.
19289	(Mackenzie), Lt. Genl. Jng. (The last plate with inscription altered)	Armorial.
19290	(Mackenzie), John Esq.	Armorial.
19291	(Mackenzie), John W. Esqr. (Arms. Mackenzie quartering Miller, Hamilton and McCallum, with Gordon on an escutcheon.)	Armorial.
19292	(Mackenzie), Kenneth	Crest
19293	(Mackenzie), K. F.	Armorial.
19294	(Mackenzie), L. Johannis Whiteford, Armigeri	Seal Armorial.
19295	(Mackenzie), L. Johannis Whiteford, Armigeri. (The last plate printed in colours.)	Seal Armorial.
19296	(Mackenzie), L. Johannis Whiteford, Armigeri. (A different plate.)	Seal Armorial.
19297	(Mackenzie), L. Johannis Whiteford, Armigeri. (A different plate.)	Seal Armorial.
19298	(Mackenzie), Mylord Nicolas. (Nicolas, younger son of William, 5th Earl and 2nd Marquess of Seafort, by his wife Mary, daughter and heir of Nicholas Kennett, of Coxhoe, co. Northumberland. (Monet Peit.)	Jacobean Armorial.
19299	(Mackenzie), Nicolas anonymous. (A smaller plate)	Jacobean Armorial.
19300	(Mackenzie), Stewart, of Seafort	Armorial.
19301	(Mackenzie), Stewart, of Seafort. (A different plate)	Armorial.
19302	(Mackenzie), William, Esqr.	Armorial.

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19303	(Mackenzie), Wm. Esqr.	Chippendale Armorial.
19304	(Mackenzie), William, Esqr. of Gledie	Armorial.
19305	(Mackenzie), W. D.	Armorial.
19306	(Mackenzie), anonymous. (The 2nd plate of Stewart Mackenzie of Seafort without inscription.)	Armorial.
19307	(Mackenzie), anonymous	Armorial.
19308	(Mackenzie), anonymous or mutilated. (Arms. Mackenzie quartering Humberston, impaling Proby. This must be the plate of Francis Humberston Mackenzie, who married 1722 Mary, daughter of Baptist Proby, Dean of Lichfield, and was created Baron Seafort 1797.)	Armorial.
19309	(Mackenzie), anonymous. (A bookplate? Arms. Mackenzie impaling Malyburton.)	Jacobean Armorial.

The numbers are here given in the list & the descriptions or 'style' are also found in the list exactly as set out above.

Baker under no. 19273 means that Sir A. W. Franks also began the collection of Bookplates to the British Museum found the plate in one of Baker's Albums and believed it to be by him.

No names after 19270 (Clement) 19280 (A. Johnston) 19281 (W. H. Peit) 19298 (Monet)

& others with names similar to these, the engraver, and their names appear on those plates.

List of Mackenzies

1. J. W. Mackenzie
2. W. W. Mackenzie
3. Charles Mackenzie
4. R. F. Mackenzie
5. John Mackenzie
6. Alexander W. Mackenzie
7. Charles Mackenzie of Killybeg
8. J. H. Mackenzie
9. L. Johannis Whiteford Mackenzie
10. do
11. John W. Mackenzie Esq.
12. Crest - J. W. W.
13. Crest S. Coull Mackenzie
14. James Mackenzie
15. Rev. Charles Mackenzie
16. William Mackenzie Esq. of Puddie
17. Alex. Mackenzie
18. William Mackenzie Esq. 2 Crest
19. Geo. Wosbury Mackenzie
20. John Mackenzie Esq.
21. Geo. J. Mackenzie
22. Lieut. General John Mackenzie
23. Mylord Melrose Mackenzie
24. do small
25. Mackenzie of Fawley Court
26. Monie Mackenzie M.D.
27. Lewis Mackenzie

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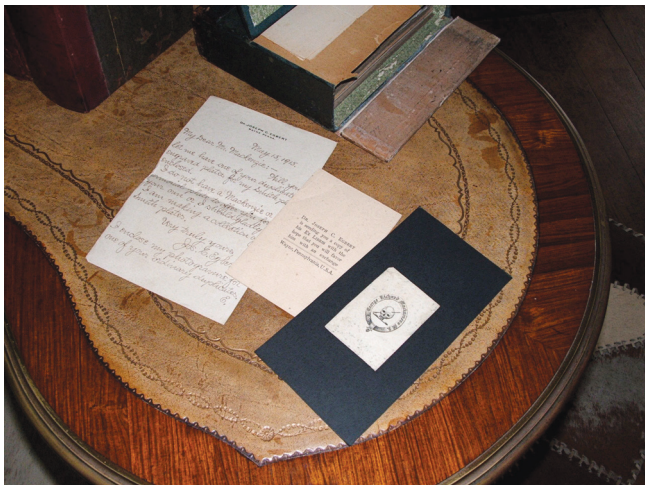
28. Sir James W. Mackenzie
29. Sir James W. Mackenzie
30. James O. Mackenzie Esq.
31. Mackenzie of Gormie
32. J. Mackenzie (shutout)
33. James Hay Mackenzie
34. Alexander Mackenzie
35. General Mackenzie
36. Alex. Mackenzie Esq.
37. J. W. Mackenzie Esq.
38. George Mackenzie
39. Chas. Mackenzie
40. Stewart Mackenzie of Deepfoll
41. do
42. Mackenzie of Gairloch
43. Colin Mackenzie
44. Francis J. Kapu Mackenzie
45. Simon Mackenzie
46. Alex. W. Mackenzie
47. Francis John Montagu Stuart Mackenzie
48. Edward Mackenzie Stuart Mackenzie
49. R. M. K.
50. J. W. Mackenzie
51. James Mackenzie
52. Sir James W. Mackenzie
53. Robert Mackenzie
54. Geo. W. Russell Mackenzie
55. Frederick Mackenzie 1827
56. Stewart Mackenzie of Deepfoll

" Robert Hale, Armorial, crested, "Chippendale" design, Inscription "Robert Hale, Esq. of Beverly" the whole within an upright frame of plain lines, No date but engraved by R. Hind about 1770. An American Plate. Very rare. sold previous to 1896 for 6/- or \$1.44 "

J. H. Slater
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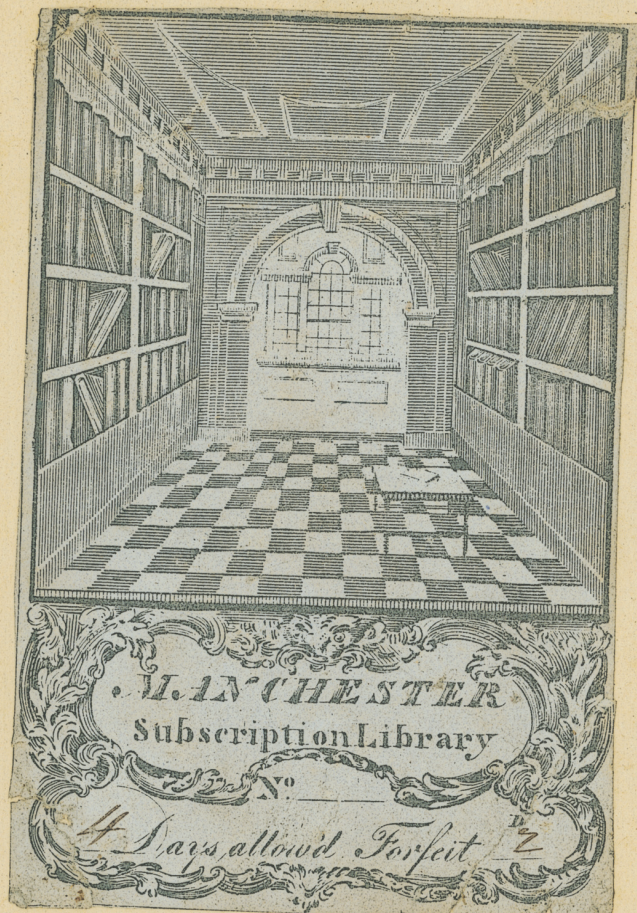
Now I'm working back through the plates and presentation cards putting them in sequence by their numbers. And finally, there are updated pencil annotations with price updates dating around 1900 before A.W. MacKenzie owned the collection, with these I'm scanning for a name or a giveaway. Will keep you posted!



December 12 2011 - My collections are varied, some have ceased and have been sold. Most I have started and built up over decades, this collection came to me in one huge hit and I have subsequently spent great chunks of time in pursuit of the bookplate basics and have continued to add to the collection both with bookplates themselves and more specifically with information on themes, engravers and the category in general. One's own stamp on valued printed items seems to me to be an essential element for sourcing and building a book collection. It is of particular interest to me to know that owners have usually swapped items over the past two hundred years but now the category is alive with interest and it has been interesting to see my friend Lew's Ebay business grow steadily over the past ten years. I'm waiting patiently to see a contemporary version published of declared values for these small collectables.

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no date engraved about 1780.

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