

ROYCROFT: LIFE IN ABUNDANCE, THE COLLECTION OF RICHARD BLACHER PART I



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Collection of three books

USA, 1904-05 | full leather-bound book with gilding, Japan vellum, silk

8½ h × 7 w × ½ d in (22 × 18 × 1 cm)

8 h × 5¼ w × ¾ d in (20 × 13 × 2 cm)

7¾ h × 6 w × ¾ d in (20 × 15 × 2 cm)

Collection is comprised of *Song of Myself* by Walt Whitman and two copies of *The Man of Sorrows* by Elbert Hubbard. Binding of *Song of Myself* designed and executed by Harry Avery; title page designed by Samuel Warner. Signed and numbered to limitation page '76 Elbert Hubbard'. Gilt artist's initials and orb and cross mark to inside of back cover 'H.A.'. Binding of *The Man of Sorrows* (1904) designed and executed by Harry Avery. Signed and numbered to limitation page '16 Elbert Hubbard'. Gilt artist's initials to inside of back cover 'H.A.' and orb and cross mark to inside of front cover. Binding of *The Man of Sorrows* (1904-05) designed and executed by Louis Kinder. Signed and numbered to limitation page '1 Elbert Hubbard'. These works are numbers 1, 16 and 76 from the editions of 100 and 102 printed by The Roycroft Shop, East Aurora, New York.

Literature: *Head, Heart and Hand: Elbert Hubbard and the Roycrofts*, Via and Searl, pg. 35 illustrates one example *On a High Shelf: Roycroft Books and Bookmakers*, Ogle, ppg. 198, 203

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Estimate: \$1,500–2,000

Result: \$5,670

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