LOT 96
PLAYING CARDS--SOLIS, VIRGIL [AFTER]
[PARROTS, PEACOCKS, LIONS AND MONKEYS. NUREMBERG, C. 1544]
31 cards (of 52), each 92 x 62mm., engraved (with the artist's monogram on each ace card),
plain versos, 13 mounted in a frame, the rest in a folder attached to the back of the frame,
lacking 21 cards (5 monkeys, 6-10 lions, 3 parrots, 2 peacocks, and all court cards), a few
marginal paper repairs

ESTIMATE #3,000-4,000 GBP
Lot Sold: 3,500 GBP

LITERATURE
Ortiz-Patiño 36; O'Dell-Franke, Virgil Solis, f84-135; Bartsch, Virgil Solis 300-351

CATALOGUE NOTE
“The most beautiful cards of all are those of Vergil Solis, a goldsmith of Nürnberg; these are very rare...The cards,
particularly the numerals, are examples of most exquisite conventional design” (C.P. Hargrave, A History of Playing
Cards, 1930, p. 94).