LOT 83
PROPERTY OF BERNARD HANOTIAU
LICENT, ÉMILE
HOANG HO, PAI HO, LOAN HO, LEAO HO. ITINÉRAIRES SUIVIS DANS LE BASSIN DU FLEUVE JAUNE ET AUTRES TRIBUTAIRES DU GOLFE DU PEI TCHEULY; [TITLE ON UPPER COVER: DIX ANNÉES (1914-1923): INITÉRAIRES SUIVIS DANS LE BASIN DU FLEUVE JAUNE ET AUTRES TRIBUTAIRES DU GOLF DU PEI TCHEULY]. TIENTSIN: LIBRAIRIE FRANCAISE, 1924
FIRST EDITION, large oblong folio (535 x 770mm.), atlas volume only, 156 numbered lithographed maps, most with photographic illustrations (maps include 0 and 87bis, map 11 apparently unnumbered), 42 unnumbered plates (16 photographic plates, 26 photographic half-page plates), all maps and plates on 2 sheets, backed with thick patterned paper (except half-page plates), publisher's cloth lettered in black on upper cover, spine with bolts, scattered spotting and staining, wear to extremities, light wear to binding

ESTIMATE 2,500-3,500 GBP
Lot Sold: 4,750 GBP

LITERATURE
CATALOGUE NOTE
RARE. We have been unable to trace any copy of this work, which may have had a print run of only 400 copies, sold at auction in over 40 years. The atlas volume only, apparently from a set of 6 volumes.

“Émile Licent (1876-1952) was a French Jesuit. He arrived at Tianjin in 1914, and established the Musée Hoangho Paiho (it was known as the "Beijiang Museum" among the Chinese), one of the earliest of its kind in China. He spent more than twenty-five years researching in Tianjin... His expeditions with Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955), who arrived in China in 1923, spread across various parts of Northern and Central China (including the provinces of Shandong, Hebei, Shanxi, Henan, Shaanxi, Gansu, Inner Mongolia and the eastern part of the Tibetan Plateau” (Western Travellers in China).