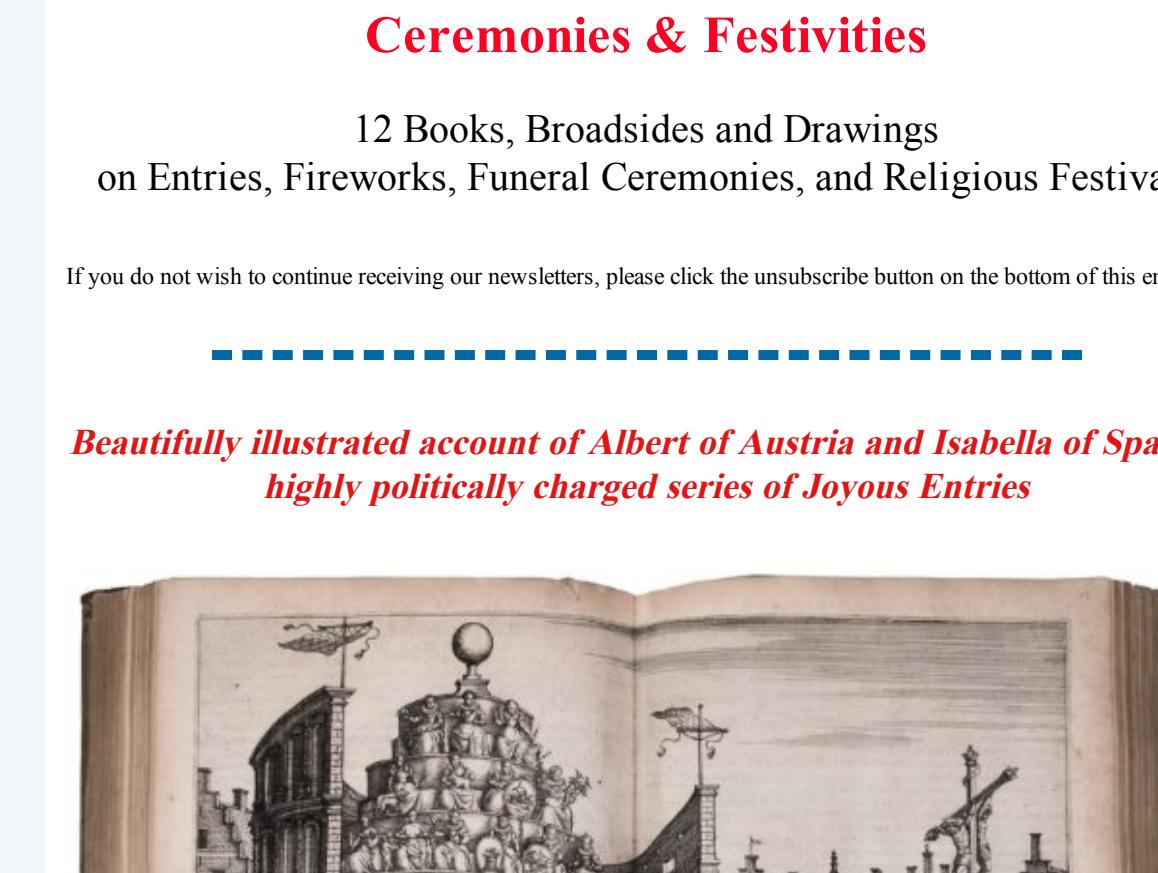


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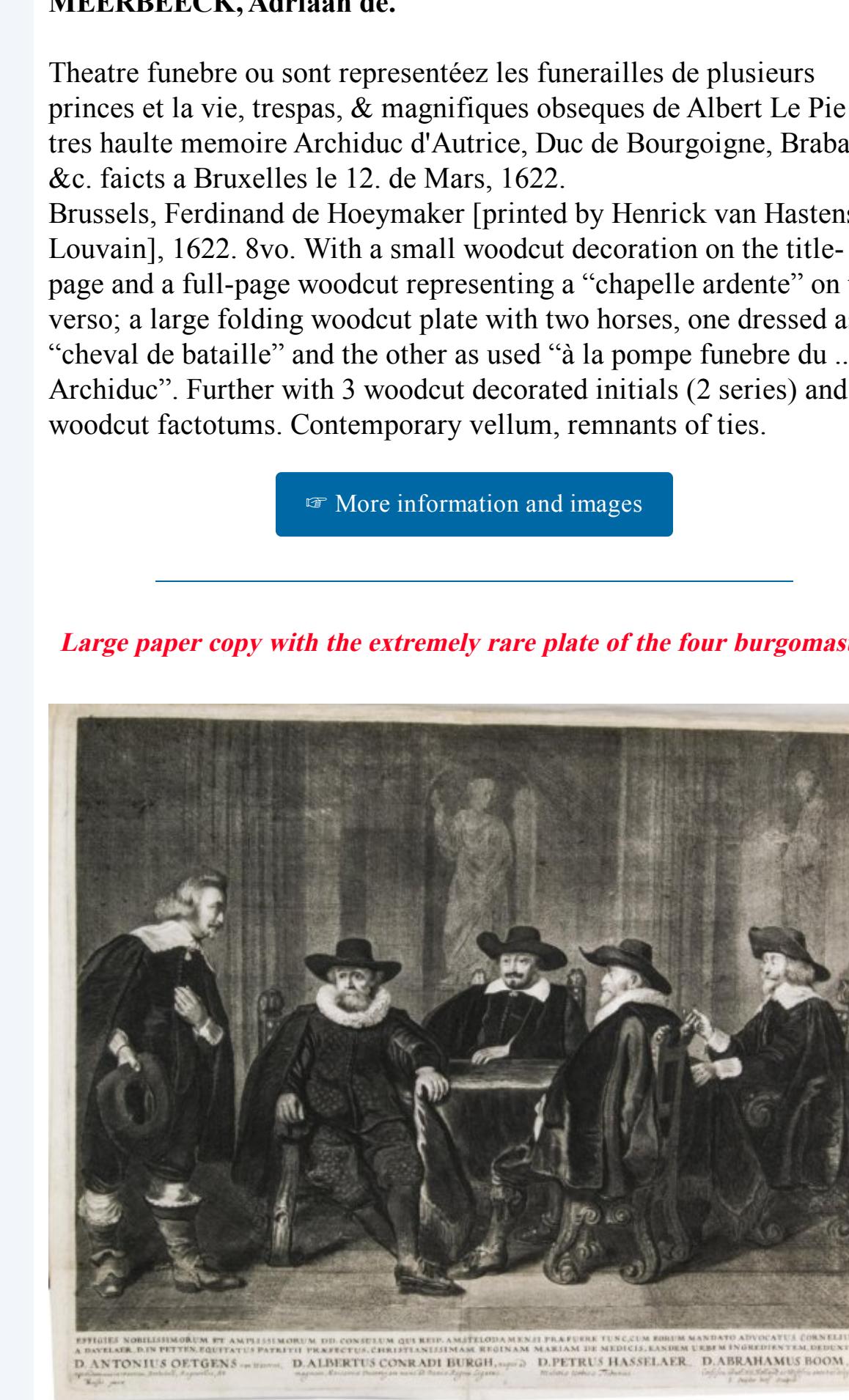
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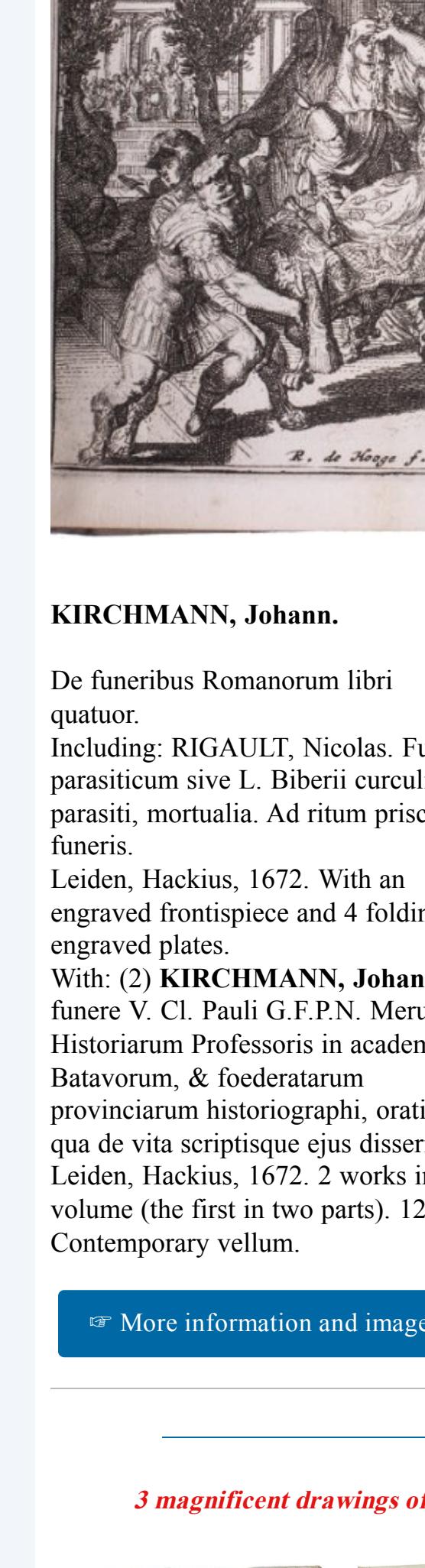


**BOGHE, Jan (Joannes BOCHIUS), Maximus Aemilius de VRIENDT & Henri d'OUTREMONT.**

Historia prolationis et inaugurations serenissimorum Belgii Principum Alberti et Isabellae, Austriæ archiducum Antwerp, ex officina Plantiniana, apud J. Moretum, 1602. 5 parts in 1 volume. Large folio. With 28 engraved plates (15 double-page, 13 full-page), two pages of musical score, an engraved divisional title page for each of the first four parts, the large woodcut printer's device of the Plantin Press at the end of the work, and numerous woodcut decorated initials and tailpieces. Contemporary blind-tooled vellum with overlapping fore edge, the manuscript title and author on the spine, a triple fillet line on both boards, the year of publication upside down in ink on the front board, remnants of closing ties.

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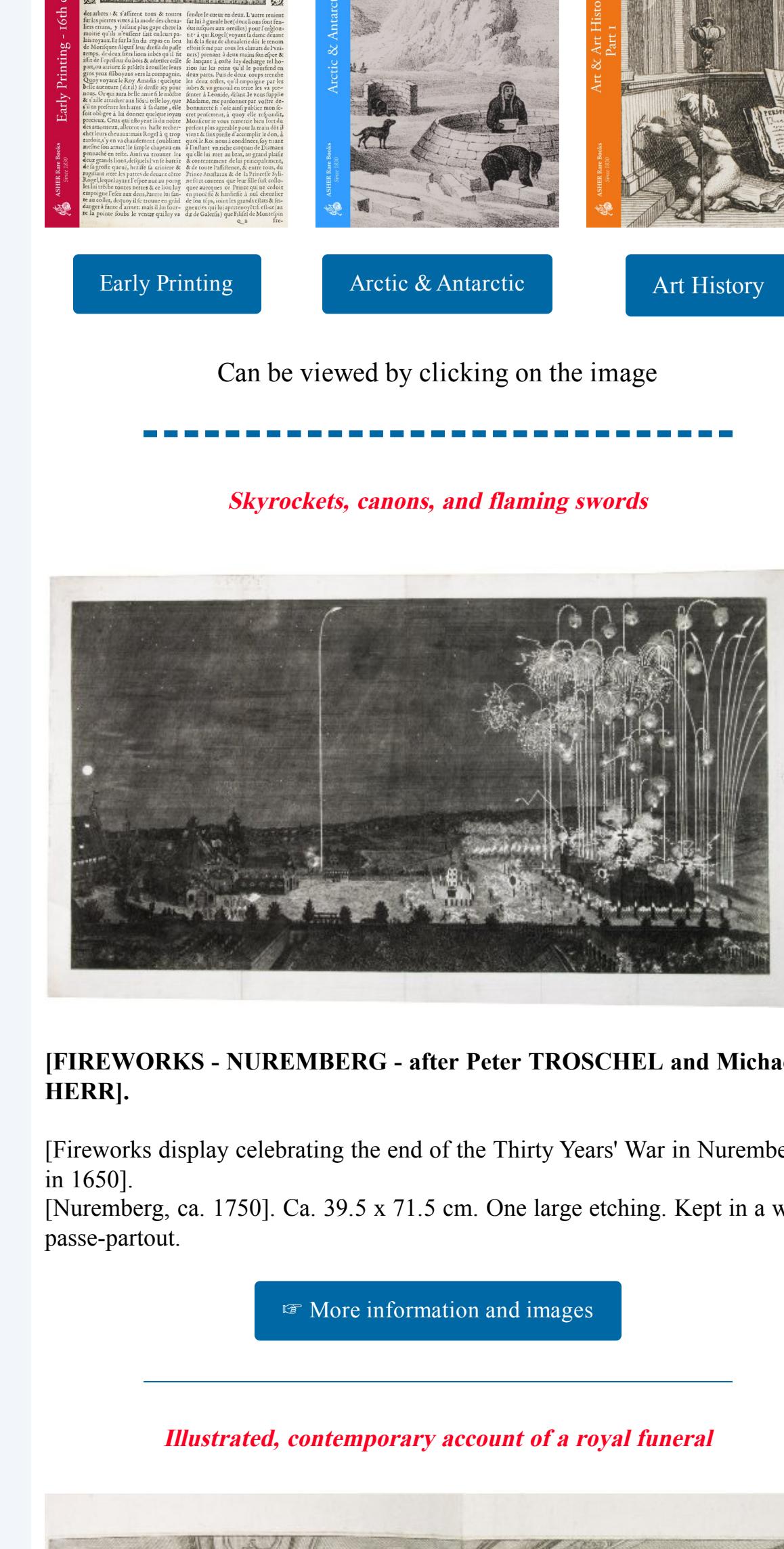


**MEERBEECK, Adriaan de.**

Theatre funebre ou sont representees les funerailles de plusieurs princes et la vie, trespas, & magnifiques obseques de Albert Le Pie de tres haute memoire Archiduc d'Autrie, Due de Bourgogne, Brabant, & faictz a Bruxelles le 12. de Mars, 1622. Brussels, Ferdinand de Hoymaker [printed by Henrick van Hastens in Louvain], 1622. 8vo. With a small woodcut decoration on the title-page and a full-page woodcut representing a "chapelle ardente" on the verso; a large folding woodcut plate with two horses, one dressed as a "cheval de bataille" and the other as used "a la pompe funebre du ... Archiduc". Further with 3 woodcut decorated initials (2 series) and 2 woodcut factotums. Contemporary vellum, remnants of ties.

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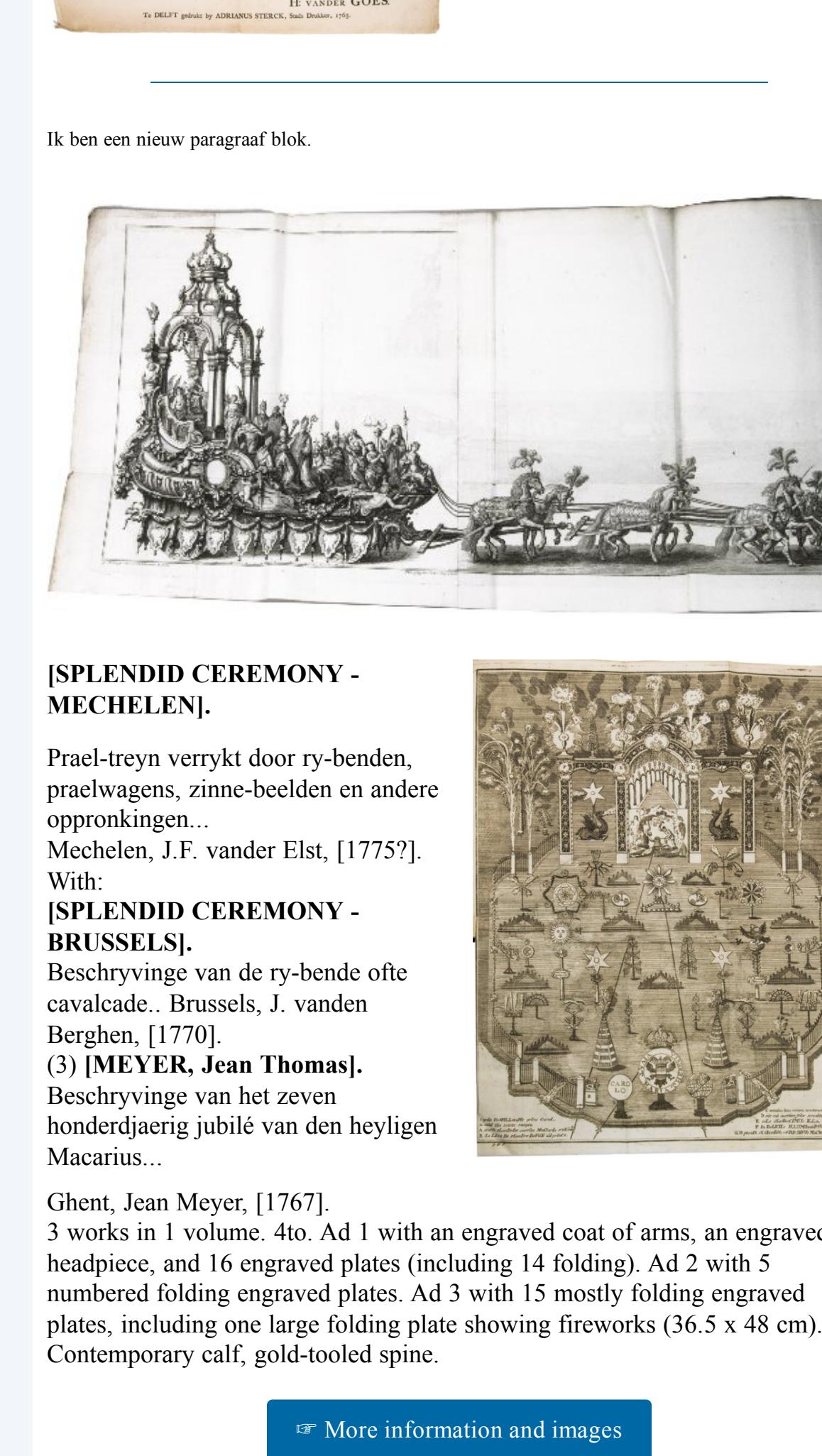


**BARLAEUS, Caspar (BAERLE, Kasper van).**

Marie de Medicis, entrant dans Amsterdam: ou histoire de la reception faite a la reyne mere du royaume des Pays-Bas, par les bourgmaitres & bourgeoisie de la ville d'Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Joan & Cornelis Blaeu, 1638. Folio (ca. 41 x 28 cm). With 18 engraved plates (1 frontispiece, 14 double page, and 3 folding), a woodcut coat-of-arms of the city of Amsterdam on the title-page, and two decorated woodcut initials. Contemporary vellum, remnants of ties.

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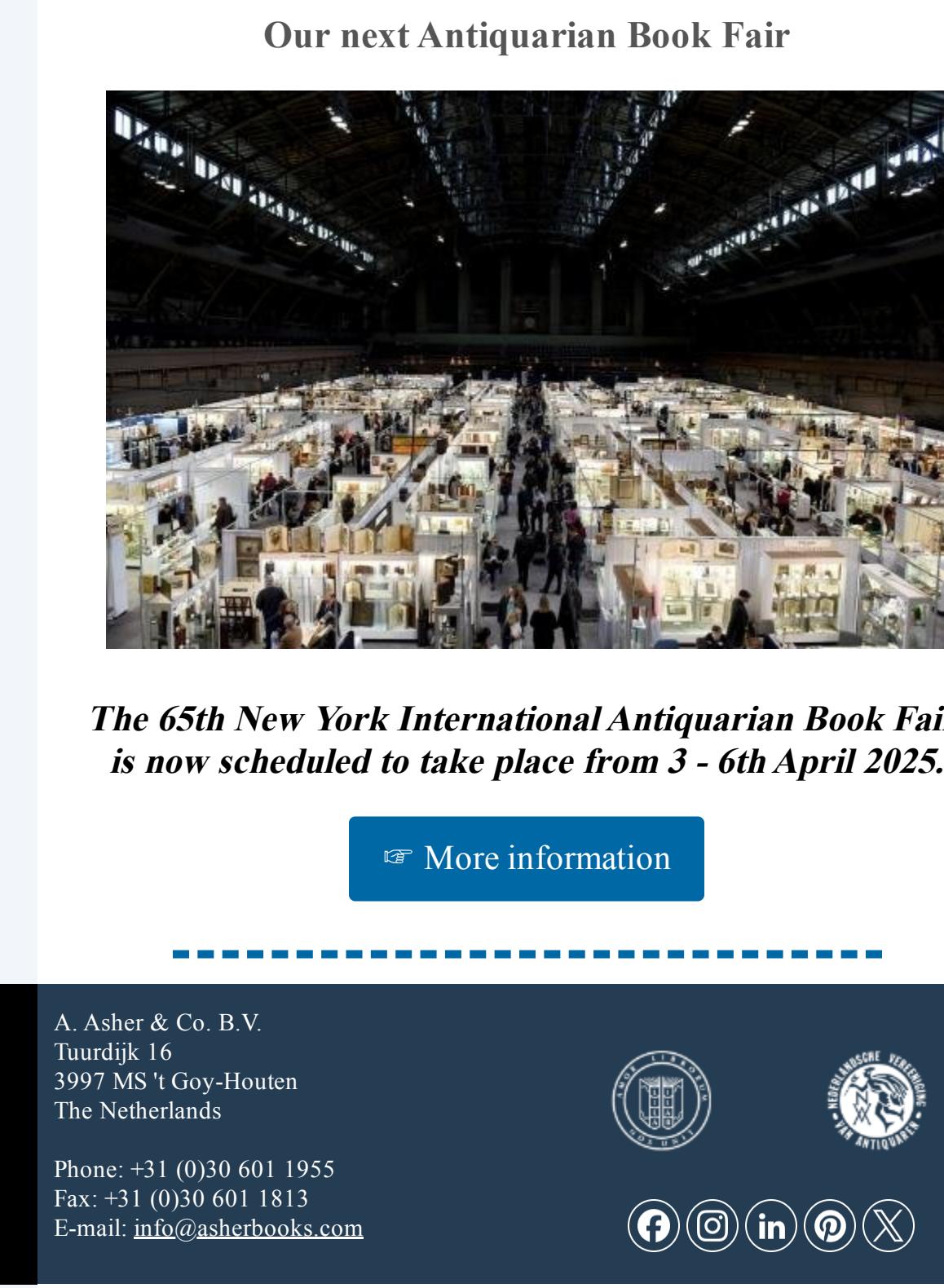
**KIRCHMANN, Johann.**

De funeribus Romanorum libri quatuor. Including: RIGAILLT, Nicolas. Funus parasiticum. Biberti curculionis parasiti, mortuaria. Ad ritum prisci funeris. Leiden, Hackius, 1672. With an engraved frontispiece and 4 folding engraved plates.

With: (2) KIRCHMANN, Johann. In funere V. Cl. Pauli G.F.P.N. Merulae. Historiarum Professoris in academia Batavorum, & foederatarum provinctorum compiti, oratio, in qua de via sororique eius disseritur. Leiden, Hackius, 1672. 2 works in 1 volume (the first in two parts). 12mo. Contemporary vellum.

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**OZANAM, Jacques.**

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Paris, Jacques Rollin, 1750 (vol. 2: 1749), 4 volumes. 8vo. With 136 engraved plates (9 folding, 127 full-page), numerous woodcut diagrams and printed tables in the text. Contemporary mottled calf.

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