

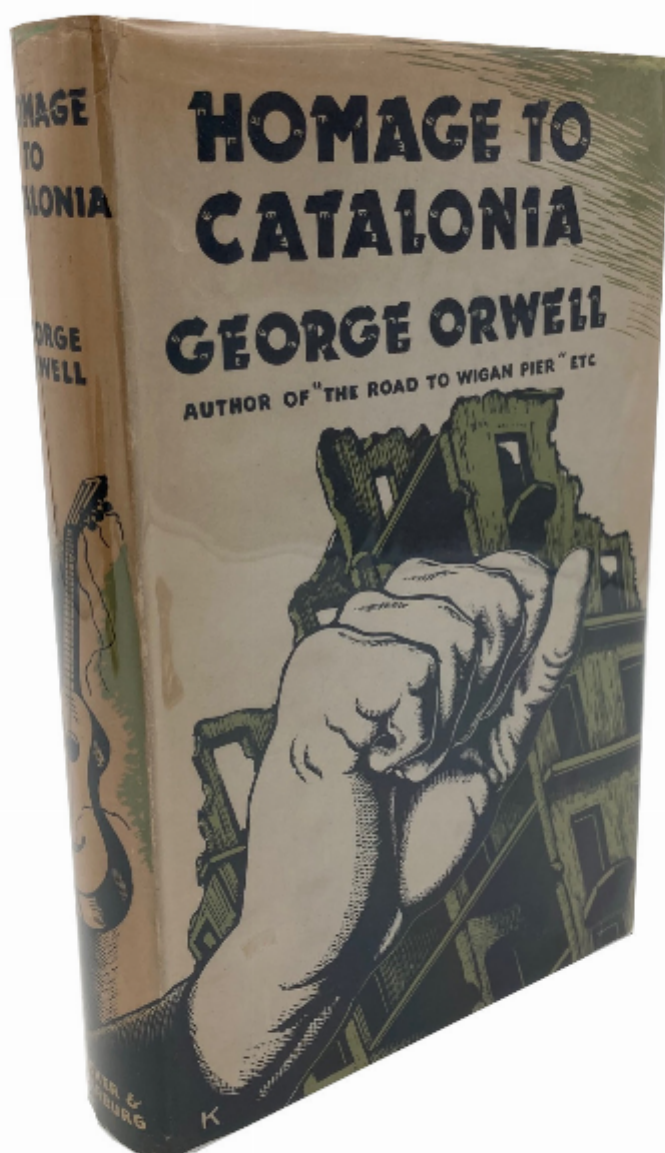


TEMPLE
RARE BOOKS OF OXFORD

Homage to Catalonia

Orwell, George

£12,500



Description

[6], 313pp, [1]. Original cloth in DJ Reverse of DJ with old paper reinforcing to edges and spine, tear to head of spine, catching the word 'Homage', now closed with Japanese tissue paper, one or two other closed tears, small amount of loss to head of lower panel, some very minor chips to edges, spine browned, lower panel lightly browned, price-clipped. Some browning to endpapers, text lightly browned but clean. Old bookseller's ticket to foot of front pastedown DJ illustrated by 'K' Now housed in a morocco backed drop back box by Temple Bookbinders, with raised bands and the spine in six panels, with the title to second panel, the author to fourth, and the date to foot. Orwell's experience of the Spanish Civil War, where he enlisted in the POUM militia, and was shot in the throat. Gollancz declined to publish the work, according to Orwell because Gollancz was "part of the communist-racket, and as soon as he heard I had been associated with the POUM and Anarchists and had seen the inside of the May riots in Barcelona, he said he did not think he would be able to publish my book, though not a word of it was written yet" (Fenwick, page 63) Fenwick A6a