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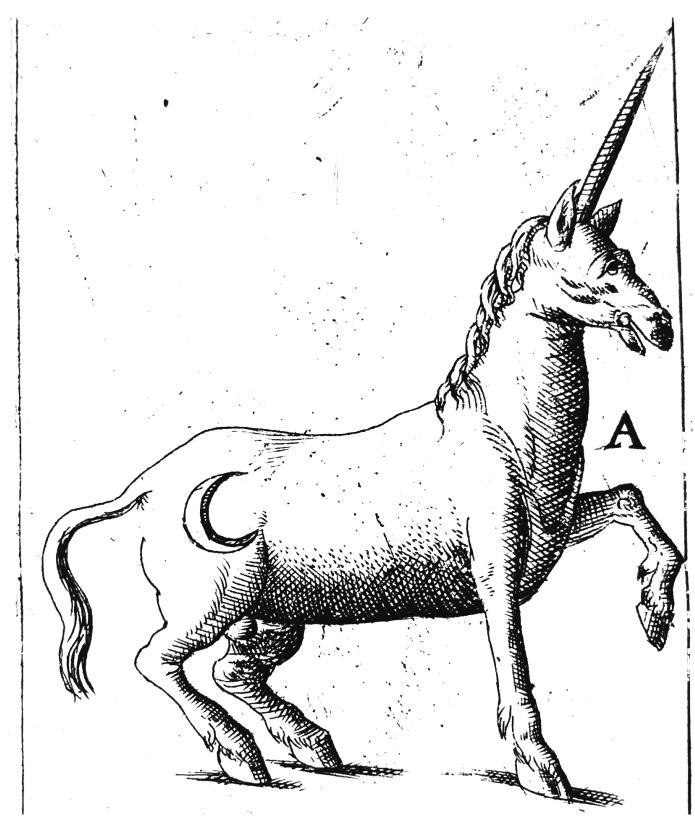


This book has a detailed engraved title-page. Engraved title-pages emerged during the 16th century as engraving became more widely used in book production.

Richard Allestree, The gentleman's calling (London, 1662) [F 10.2/5]

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Leo VI, Emperor of the East, Vaticinium Severi et Leonis Imperatorum (Brescia, 1596) [K 44/10]

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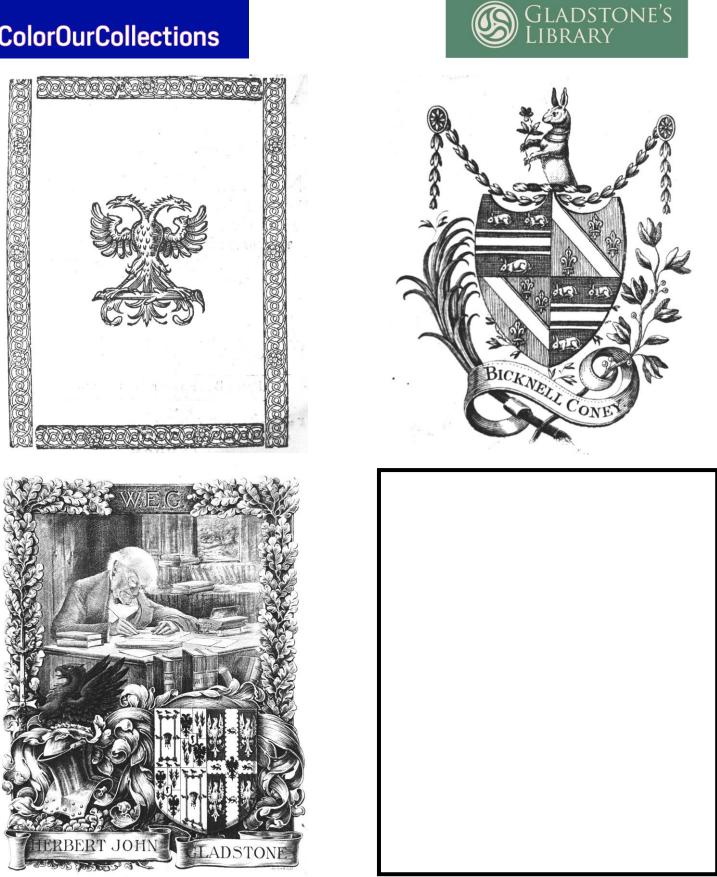




'Divers habits of the women at Ausburg', from François Maximilien Mission, A *new voyage* to Italy Volume II. (London, 1714) [W 36/1]

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