ARAB PRESS FOR DISPOSAL

(Hopefully within Scotland)

The Crown Folio Arab Press, owned and run by the late Alan Anderson of the Taagara Press, has been offered by his daughter, Mrs Penny Stevenson, for disposal, preferably to a print studio or working letterpress print-shop within Scotland.

The Tragara Press

The Tragara Press was perhaps the principle private press in Scotland and was remarkable for the number and range of texts that it published over the last fifty years. All this work was the achievement of Alan Anderson.

Alan was born in Fife in 1922 started his working life as a banker. After war service in the Royal Navy he took a post at Grant's, the leading antiquarian bookseller in Edinburgh and then bought the North Bookshop, specialising in limited edition and fine press books until he devoted himself fully to his private press.

His press has therefore a very special provenance and Alan was still working it up to just before he died this year.

The press and associated type and bits and pieces is at Beauly, housed in part of the garage that Alan turned into his workshop. There are two Stephenson & Blake randoms of type, mostly of Perpetual and Bembo.



The 'whole' is offered to a good home and the family would prefer that Alan Anderson's Tragara Press remain in Scotland.

Disposal of this press is being organised through the Scottish Print Archival Trust who hope to be able to earmark a suitable Scottish placement for this important and historical Arab Printing Press.

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