A collection of curious travels & voyages: In two tomes. The first containing Dr. Leonhart Rauwolff’s itinerary into the eastern countries ... The second taking in many parts of Greece, Asia minor, Egypt, Arabia Felix ... from the observations of Mons. Belon, Mr. Vernon, Dr. Spon, Dr. Smith, Dr. Huntingdon, Mr. Greaves, Alpinus, Vestingius, Thevenot’s collections, and others. To which are added, three catalogues of such trees, shrubs ... London: Printed for S. Smith and B. Walford, 1693. 2v.in 1.

Bequeathed by Frederick Lucas Benham
Rare Books & Special Collections
Strong Room 910.8 R26

About
Leonhard Rauwolff was a German physician, botanist, and traveller who journeyed through the Levant and Mesopotamia in 1573-75 to search for herbal medicine supplies. Rauwolff was the first European botanist to travel this far into Asia and he published his impressions of the people, customs, and sights of the area in his Aigentliche beschreibung der Raiss in 1582. John Ray published this first English translation of Rauwolff and included catalogues of plants along with various other travel narratives.

Condition
Contemporary mottled calf, blind ruled. Spine repaired with tape.

Front cover and initial leaves detached, leather damaged.