press run had been completed. Thus the second state as printed preserves the earlier version of the text. There is also a printed presentation slip ("with the compliments of the author and printer") laid in Carter's copy and an erratum slip stapled to the verso of the dedication leaf: "For MR MORISON, read DR MORISON, passim / (The edition of this erratum is limited to 25 copies)". Although the book was not intended for public sale, Carter reported in his Book Collector piece that fifty copies in 1958, and twelve more in 1965, were sold to Elkin Mathews for sale to the public. For Carter's later corrections and additions to this handlist, see C:1959 and C:1976.

A:1952

A. E. Housman: An Annotated Hand-List. By Carter and John Sparrow, with a "Preface" (pp. 5-6) signed by Carter. Soho Bibliographies no. 2. London: Rupert Hart-Davis, 1952. 54 pp. Cloth, dust-jacket. Price 25s. For the original periodical form of this list, see D:1940 (September). For Carter's own Housman collection, see A:1965.

Revised edition: A. E. Housman: A Bibliography. By Carter and John Sparrow; revised by William White. St. Paul's Bibliographies no. 6. Godalming, Surrey: St. Paul's Bibliographies, 1982. xvii,94 pp. Cloth, Mylar jacket. ABC for Book-Collectors. London: Rupert Hart-Davis, 1952. 191 pp. Cloth, dust-jacket. Dedicated to John Hayward: the dedication copy, inscribed to "the foster-father and sternest critic of this book," is dated "14 Aug (for 12 Sept) 1952" (Sotheby catalogue of the Carter sale [C:1976], lot 3). The four-page prospectus, indicating that the book could be ordered from Bertram Rota for 15s and providing two specimen pages, contains prose that is characteristic of Carter: for example, the book is said to be "salted with well-distributed prejudices," and it "belongs on the private shelf of all but the most omniscient of antiquarian booksellers." American subedition: New York: Alfred A. Knopf, [1952]. 191 pp. Cloth, dust-jacket.

Second edition: Hart-Davis, 1953. 196 pp. In the copy of the second edition inscribed for John Hayward (in the stock of Colophon Book Shop in 1987), Carter wrote, "falsely dated 1953." American subedition: Knopf, [1953]. 196 pp. Reprinted 1960.

Third edition: Hart-Davis, 1961. 208 pp. American subedition: Knopf, 1961. 208 pp. Reprinted 1963. Mercury subedition: Mercury Books no. 12. London: Mercury Books, 1961. 208 pp. Paperback. On the back cover of one of my copies of this paperback, Nicolas Barker indicated that he was responsible for the blurb and photograph on the cover.

Fourth edition: Hart-Davis, 1966. 208 pp. On the copyright page, this is called "Third edition, reprinted with corrections"; but the jacket says "Fourth Edition," and this printing is counted as the fourth edition in the record on later copyright pages. Reprinted 1967 (with corrections), 1971. American subedition: Knopf, 1966. 208 pp. On the copyright page this is called "Fourth edition, revised, 1966"; but the jacket says "Third Edition, Revised." According to a note of Carter's quoted in the Sotheby catalogue of the sale of his library (C:1976), "the main stock had to be stripped and rebound" (lot 1). Reprinted 1970 (with corrections).