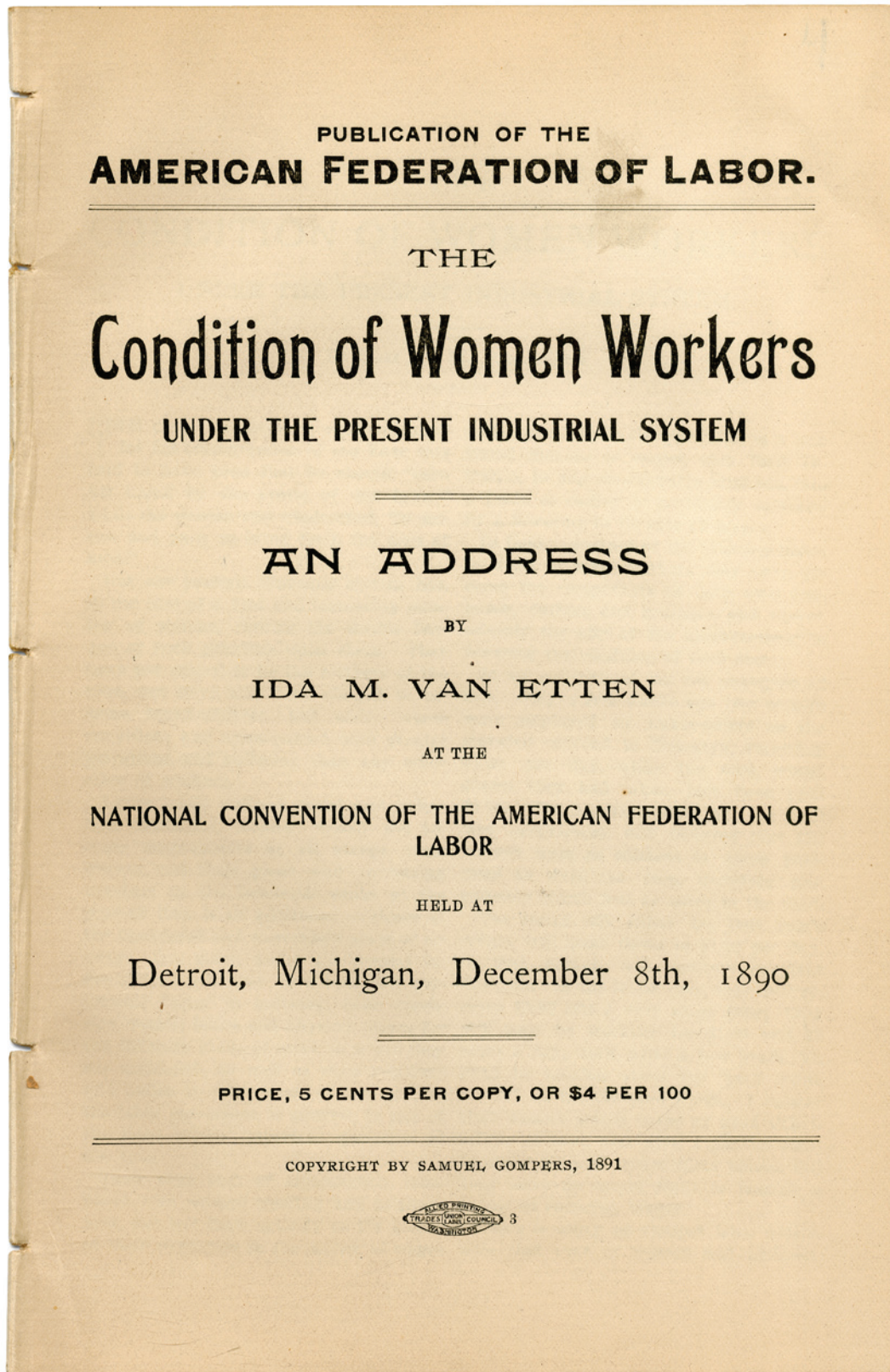




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First edition? (A New York printing exists from the same year). Octavo. 16pp. Removed. Printed self-wrappers. Very near fine. A major address by Van Etten on the problems confronting women workers, and the barriers to their unionization. A long excerpt from the speech is printed in *The Female Experience: An American Documentary* by Gerda Lerner (Oxford University Press). She also convinced the AFL to employ a full time advocate to unionize women. A little more than three years later Van Etten would die in Paris partially brought about by starvation. OCLC locates eight (possibly nine) copies of the Washington printing. [BTC#407598]