



# SUPPORTING CAST

1 George IV oak and pollard-oak bookcase with Derbyshire-fossil marble top, c1830, £13,800 for the pair, James Graham-Stewart. 2 Georgian glazed breakfront dresser, c1760, £22,000, Robert Young. 3 'Emma' bookcase, £947, Scumble Goose. 4 'The Pantry Rack', £5,760, Jamb. 5 Mahogany glazed bookcase, early 19th-century, £1,550, Max Rollitt. Vintage bridge chair, wrapped, £820 per pair, Lorfords. All prices include VAT. For suppliers' details see Address Book >

Shelves, plinths, bookcases, corbels and frames – such are the solid platforms that can imbue a collection with additional gravitas. Both old and new, these examples come from the highest bracket, and serve as a persuasive base for a sturdy argument: Max Egger's picks are well worth putting on a pedestal. Photography: Sean Myers