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William the Lion (1165-1214)

Short Cross and Stars coinage, Phase B



- 1501** Sterling, Phase B, no mint name, Hue Walter, crude bust right, LE REI WILAO (retrograde), rev. HVE WALTER, short voided cross, four stars of five points in angles, 1.12g/1h (SCBI 35, –; B 20, fig. 55, same *obv.* die; S 5029). *Good fine, the retrograde obverse very rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt eBay December 2004

Retrograde obverse dies are found paired with both retrograde and normal reverses, as in this case. The stars on the reverse have 5 points, although one appears to have had a sixth spike added. This may have been deliberate or could simply be a die flaw.



- 1502** Sterling, Phase B, no mint name, Hue Walter, crude bust left, LE REI WILAO, rev. HVE WALTER, short voided cross, three stars of six points, one of five, 1.46g/8h (SCBI 35, 67, same *obv.* die; B 21 and fig. 56, same dies; S 5029). *Better than very fine, toned* £240-£300

Provenance: 'Norwich' Collection, Part I, DNW Auction 62, 30 June 2004, lot 625

While Burns believed the number of points on the reverse stars designated the issuing mint, Stewart eventually rejected the idea because of 'the extensive and haphazard occurrence of [obverse die] links'. However the vendor points out that Burns fig. 56 is struck from this reverse die but showing 24 points, the star in the fourth [TER] quarter having been altered on the die used to strike the current coin. That might suggest that the number of points on the stars had more than simply a decorative significance.



- 1503** Sterling, Phase B, no mint name, Hue Walter, crude bust left, HVE WALRO+, rev. HVE WALTEO, short voided cross, four stars of six points in angles, 1.42g/12h (SCBI 35, 74, same *obv.* die; B 22, fig. 58, same *obv.* die; S 5029). *Legend partly flat, nearly very fine, dark tone* £200-£240

Provenance: Stray metal detector find, found near St Andrew's Church, Ford (West Sussex), May 2005

Although very rare, coins with the moneyers' names on both sides were struck from more than one set of dies. The placing of the 'initial' cross at the end of the obverse legend is also a feature in this phase of the coinage.



- 1504** Sterling, Phase B, no mint name, Hue Walter, crude bust left, LI WIEAETO, rev. HVE : WALTR : , short voided cross, four stars of six points in angles, 1.37g/5h (cf. SCBI 35, –; B p.89 and fig. 61B; S 5029). *Nearly very fine, toned* £200-£260

Provenance: Bt S.J. Blencoe 2019

- 1505** Cut Halfpence (3), all Phase B, class I (2), no mint name, Hue Walter, crude bust left, rev. short voided cross, stars of six points in angles, minor legend varieties, 0.54g/2h, 0.66g/6h, class III/VI mule, similar, 0.60g/1h (SCBI –; B 9, 11, 21a, figs. 46, 48, 56A; S 5029) [3]. *Good fine or better* £80-£100

Provenance: First bt M. Vosper June 2005; last two bt ABC Coins June 2004

- 1506** Cut Halfpence (3), all Phase B, class I, no mint name, Hue Walter, crude bust left, rev. short voided cross, stars of six points in angles, minor legend varieties, 0.72g/12h, 0.63g/10h, 0.79g/4h (SCBI –; B 9a, 9d, 10a, figs, 46A, 46B, 46D; S 5029) [3]. *Very fine or nearly so* £100-£120

Provenance: First bt ABC Coins July 2010; second bt eBay December 2012; third bt M. Vosper November 2010

Alexander III (1249-1286)

First coinage



- 1507** Sterling, type IIIa, Berwick, Robert, RO BER TON BE, saltires and pellets on sceptre handle, 'swastika' x, reads ALEXNNDER, 1.41g/7h (cf. SCBI 35, 105; B –, fig. –; S 5043). *Nearly very fine* £200-£260

Provenance: DNW Auction 104, 5 December 2012, lot 784

The vendor notes the unusual pellet and saltire sceptre handle.



- 1508** Sterling, type IIIc, Berwick, Robert, ROB ER TON BER, plain sceptre handle, 1.31g/4h (cf. SCBI 35, 103; B 21b, fig. 140B; S 5043). *A little weak in places, nearly very fine* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt Edinburgh Coin Shop December 1980



- 1509** Sterling, type IIIb, Perth, Ion, ION ON PER TE, 'scissors' x, 1.45g/10h (SCBI 35, 128; B –, fig. – S 5043). *Surfaces slightly porous, nearly very fine* £150-£200

Provenance: DNW Auction 58, 24 June 2003, lot 638

Type III coins reading simply Ion are much rarer than the contemporary Ion Cokin issues.



- 1510** Sterling, type IIIc, Lanark, Wilam, WILA MO N' L', plain sceptre handle, 'scissors' x, 1.38g/3h (SCBI 35, 125, same rev. die; B 67, fig. 115, same dies; S 5043). *Slight obverse surface crack, otherwise very fine, toned and very rare* £400-£500

Provenance: Bt A.D. Hamilton October 1980

Lanark is a rare mint. Brussels Hoard figures suggest it was responsible for around 1.6% of the total coinage. Analysis of total in Colchester suggests nearer 2%.

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- 1511** Sterling, type IIIa, Roxburgh, Andreu, AN DR EV ONR, ONR ligulated, 1.43g/9h (cf. SCBI 35, 134; B 25-6, fig. 122; S 5043). *Very fine, dark tone* £200-£260

Provenance: North Yorkshire Moors Collection, Part III, DNW Auction 168, 29 January 2020, lot 997 [from Spink 1970]



- 1512** Sterling, type IIIld, Roxburgh, Andreu, AN DR EVO N P, pelleted N in ON, small bust, 1.45g/6h (cf. SCBI 35, 134; B –, fig. – S 5043). *About very fine, reverse good fine, scarce* £200-£260

Provenance: Bt Edinburgh Coin Shop 1982

There is no tail on R of mint-name, making it look like a P or even a D. Despite that, the attribution to Roxburgh is certainly correct as this was the only mint with a moneyer named Andreu. The vendor also notes that the obverse die of this specimen was used with several other correctly engraved reverses of types III and VII



- 1513** Sterling, type V, Edinburgh, Alex, ALE X' O NIE DEN, pelleted sceptre, 1.40g/12h (cf. SCBI 35, 143; B 64a-c and figs 94A-C, same obv. die; Lockett 754c; S 5045). *Very fine with old cabinet toning* £200-£300

Provenance: Bt October 2016

This obverse die was used by both Alex and Wilam. Almost all type V coins are from the Edinburgh mint.



- 1514** Sterling, type VII, Edinburgh, Alex, ALE X' O NE DEN, pellet before and after REX, 1.48g/3h (SCBI 35, 150; B fig. 101A; S 5047). *Part flat, otherwise very fine, good portrait, dark tone* £200-£260

Provenance: From the Colchester II (Essex) Hoard, 1969; Sotheby Auction, 24 March 1971, lot 176; North Yorkshire Moors Collection, Part III, DNW Auction 168, 29 January 2020, lot 998



- 1515** Sterling, type VIII, Berwick, Walter, WA LTE RON BER (retrograde), tufted crown, 1.44g/5h (SCBI 35, 167 and B 11, fig. 87, same dies; S 5048). *Very fine with old cabinet toning* £200-£260

Provenance: 'Norwich' Collection, Part I, DNW Auction 62, 30 June 2004, lot 627 [from A.G. Malloy December 1979]

The 'tufted crown' variety comes early in the sequence of issues included in class VIII - some of the coins having lettering similar to that used on class VII coins. This specimen is slightly later.



- 1516** Sterling, class VIII, Berwick, Iohan, IOH AN ONB ER, 'square head', 1.06g/12h (SCBI 35, 157ff; cf. B 6, fig. 82; S 5048). *On a small flan, about very fine and toned* £150-£200

Provenance: 'Norwich' Collection, Part I, DNW Auction 62, 30 June 2004, lot 626

The Berwick moneyer Iohan began working during class VII. While he does not seem to have struck coins in the early phase of class VIII, he resumed minting with the introduction of the 'square head' type. The Brussels hoard had no coins of this type or moneyer but the Colchester hoard contained both, thus dating this issue after c. 1256 but before c. 1265.



- 1517** Sterling, 'post-Brussels A', Berwick, Iohan, IOH AN ON BOR, ringlet hair, small lettering, 1.36g/9h (SCBI 35, —; cf. B 14, fig. 90; S 5048). *Nearly very fine, dark tone* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt J. Philpotts November 2014

This late group of coins, probably struck c. 1264-70, seems to be exclusive to the moneyer Iohan at Berwick. This example has large lettering, one of a number of letter founts used for the issue, suggesting it was struck over a considerable period of time.



- 1518** Sterling, 'post-Brussels A', Berwick, Iohan, IOH AN ON BER, pelleted hair, very small lettering, colon after REX, 1.15g/9h (SCBI 35, —; B —, fig. —; S 5048). *On a small flan, fine or better* £100-£150

Provenance: Found at the Cromarty ferry crossing, Easter Ross, bt July 2014

- 1519** Cut Halfpence (3), class III (2), Lanark, Wilam, WI LA[—], 0.58g/1h (SCBI 35, 125; B 67, fig. 115), Perth, Ion, IOH ON [—], 0.76g/11h (cf. SCBI 35 127; B —, fig. —), class VII/III mule, Roxburgh, Andreu, [—]RE VOI[—] (retrograde), 0.77g/2h (SCBI 35 —; B —, fig. —) [3]. *Fine to very fine, all very rare* £100-£150

Provenance: First bt eBay October 2009; second bt M. Vosper March 2002; third bt M. Vosper July 2002

Second coinage



- 1520** Sterling, class Bd, mm. cross potent, bust left with wide, oval eyes, rev. long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.27g/8h (SCBI 35, 176; B 2, fig. 142; S 5052). *Nearly very fine, rare as a true coin* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt eBay June 2013

Most Bd obverses are muled with class M reverses [see footnote to the following lot]

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- 1521** Sterling, class Be/M mule, mm. cross potent on *obv.*, cross slightly pattée on *rev.*, bust left with wide, oval eyes, reads GR'A, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.32g/3h (cf. SCBI 35, 175; cf. B 17, fig. 144; S 5052/5053). *Full and round, very fine, dark tone, rare* £150-£200

Provenance: DNW Auction 114, 18 September 2013, lot 1598

Based on unpublished research by the vendor, subclass Be probably preceded Bd in the chronology of the class. He estimates that around 50% of Be obverses are muled to later class M reverse dies, while the 'vast majority' of Bd obverses have later M reverses.

- 1522** Sterlings (2), class Bc, mm. cross potent, bust left with wide, oval eyes, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.25g/4h; class Ma, mm. cross potent on *obv.*, plain cross on *rev.*, bust left with little backsweep to hair, colon after GR'A, *rev.* similar to last, 1.35g/2h (SCBI 35, 183-5, 196; B 18, 9, figs. 145 for *obv.*, 150; S 5052-3) [2]. *Fine or better* £100-£120



- 1523** Sterling, class Ma, mm. cross slightly pattée, bust left with little backsweep to hair, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.39g/1h (SCBI 35, 199, same dies; cf. B. 14/9, figs. 152/150; S 5053). *Full flan, very fine or better, toned* £120-£150

Provenance: From the Middridge (Co Durham) Hoard, 1974; bt Spink April 1982

The relationship and chronology of classes A, B and M is still not entirely certain. Classes A and B both show elements of an early experimental coinage, possibly from two different workshops. When class A finished, class B continued before class M resumed in the first workshop.



- 1524** Sterling, class Ma, mm. plain cross, bust left with little backsweep to hair, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.33g/12h (SCBI 35, 198; cf. B. -/10, fig. -/151; S 5053). *Small edge chip between 11 and 12 o'clock, about very fine, dark tone* £80-£100

Provenance: Bt eBay January 2005



- 1525** Sterling, class Mb1, mm. plain cross on *obv.*, cross pattée on *rev.*, bust left with wider hair, pellets in crown, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.42g/8h (SCBI 35, -; B 15, fig. 157; S 5054). *Very fine, the obverse variety rare* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt ABC Coins December 2009

Stewart and North point out that the pelleted crown is a rarely found feature on all class M issues except Mc2.



- 1526** Sterling, class Mb1, mm. plain cross, bust left with wider hair, pellets in crown, rev. long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.42g/7h (SCBI 35, 197; cf. B 15, fig. 157; S 5054). *About very fine, lightly toned* £80-£100

Provenance: Bt ABC Coins March 2016

- 1527** Sterlings (2), class Mb1, mm. plain cross, bust left with wider hair, pellet after GRA, rev. long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.14g/5h; class Mb2, similar, also with pellet after GRA, 1.37g/12h (Both cf. SCBI 35, 211ff and B 44, fig. 178; S 5054) [2]. *Fine and nearly very fine, the obverse variety very rare* £100-£120

Provenance: First bt S.J. Blancoe June 2011; second Patrick Finn FPL 18, January 2000 (340);



- 1528** Sterling, class Mb2, mm. cross pattée, bust left with wider hair, seriffed punch used for I and N, rev. long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.39g/8h (SCBI 35, 213; B 44, fig. 178; S 5054). *Of bright appearance, very fine* £80-£100

Provenance: Great Western Auctions (Glasgow), 24-5 March 2017, lot 380 (part); DNW Auction 185, 1-2 December 2020, lot 505 (part)



- 1529** Sterling, class Mb2/E mule, mm. plain cross on *obv.*, cross pattée on *rev.*, bust left with wider hair, rev. long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.41g/9h (SCBI 35, 238; B 70, fig. 183; S 5054/5056). *Very fine and lightly toned* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt Edinburgh Coin Shop April 1981

The neck on class Mb2 is generally wider than on Mb1 and there is no dot by the ear.

- 1530** Sterling, class Mb3/D mule, mm. plain cross on *obv.* cross potent on *rev.*, bust left with wider hair, pellets on crown, small hyphen-shaped mark between D and E of ALEXANDER, rev. long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.38g/8h (SCBI 35, 236; B -/66, fig. -/182; S 5054/5056). *Nearly very fine, the obverse variety very rare* £80-£100

Provenance: Bt Edinburgh Coin Shop December 1980

- 1531** Sterling, class Mc2, mm. plain cross, bust left with wider hair, rev. long cross, three mullets of six points, one of five, 1.37g/8h (SCBI 35, 252, same dies; cf. B -/47, fig. -/185; S 5055). *Nearly very fine* £80-£100

Provenance: Bt ABC Coins March 2004

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- 1532** Sterling, class Mc2, mm. plain cross, bust left with wider hair, rev. long cross, four mullets of six points, 1.40g/1h (SCBI 35, 221 for obv.; B 50, fig. 198; S 5055). *Very fine, dark tone* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt M. Vosper November 2001



- 1533** Sterling, class E1, mm. cross potent on obv., plain cross on rev., lettering with incurved uprights, bust left, rev. long cross, two mullets of six points and two stars of seven in angles, 1.37g/4h (SCBI 35, 274; B 34a/38, figs. 168A/170; S 5056). *Round flan, about very fine, some light surface deposit* £100-£120

Provenance: J. Davidson Collection, Part II, DNW Auction 60, 9-10 December 2003, lot 352 (part); bt M. Senior December 2004



- 1534** Sterling, class E2, mm. plain cross on obv., cross pattée on rev., lettering with incurved uprights, bust left, pellet between δ and ϵ of ALEXANDER, rev. long cross, four mullets of five points in angles, extra pellets in two quarters, 1.36g/3h (SCBI 35, 208; B 39/34a, fig. 170/168A; S 5056). *Nearly very fine, the variety extremely rare* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt Spink February 2003

The vendor points out that this coin has regular class E lettering but the hair is from the punch normally used on coins of D1



- 1535** Sterling, class D1/E mule, mm. cross potent, bust left, rev. long cross, two mullets of six points, two stars of seven in angles, 1.25g/6h (SCBI 35, –; B 55, fig 162, same rev. die; S 5057/5056). *About very fine, slightly off centre, rare* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt York Coins November 2011



- 1536** Sterling, class D2, mm. cross pattée, straight-sided lettering, bust left, rev. long cross, three mullets of six points and one star of seven points in angles, 1.37g/11h (SCBI 35, –; B 28-9, fig. 159; S 5057). *Nearly very fine, lightly toned, extremely rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt S.J. Blencoe 2017

The vendor knows of only three specimens of this class and points combination. Two were recorded in the Middridge Hoard, the third is a badly damaged specimen.



- 1537** Sterling, class D2, mm. cross potent. bust left with hair swept back, pellets in crown, rev. long cross, two mullets of six, two stars of seven points in angles, 1.40g/1h (SCBI 35, –/265-7; B 28/30, figs. 159/160; S 5057). *Of bright appearance, about very fine, rare* £100-£120

Provenance: Great Western Auctions (Glasgow), 24-5 March 2017, lot 374 (part); DNW Auction 164, 9 October 2019, lot 2686 (part)
Pellets on the intermediate spikes of the crown are an extremely rare feature on coins of class D2.

Posthumous coinage



- 1538** Sterling, class H/M mule, mm. cross pattée, irregular lettering on *obv.*, bust left, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.38g/2h (SCBI 35, –; B 78, fig. 207, same *rev.* die; S 5058/5055). *About very fine, dark tone, very rare* £120-£150

Provenance: Noble Numismatics Pty Auction 93 (Sydney), 13-16 April 2010, lot 2558

Class H consists only of a small number of obverse dies (possibly seven), linked with rusty dies from classes M, E and D, the last being extremely rare. These are undoubtedly posthumous issues, struck after 1286 and possibly into the 1290s.



- 1539** Sterling, class H/M mule, mm. cross pattée, irregular lettering, crude bust left, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.34g/2h (SCBI 35, –; B 78, fig. 207, same dies; S 5058). *Good fine, toned, rare* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt D. Cavanagh May 1982



- 1540** Sterling, class H/M mule, mm. cross pattée, irregular lettering, crude bust left, legend ends GRAC, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.29g/2h (SCBI 35, –; B 77-8, figs. 206-7; S 5058). *Good fine, toned, rare* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt eBay December 2009



- 1541** Sterling, class H/D mule, mm. cross pattée, irregular lettering on *obv.*, bust left, legend ends GRA, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.27g/12h (SCBI 35, –; B 67, fig. 187, for *rev.*; S 5058/5057). *About fine, dark tone, the mule extremely rare* £80-£100

Provenance: Stray metal detector find from Suffolk 2009; bt 2010

The rarest of the three classes of reverse die found with this obverse type.



- 1542** Sterling, class J, mm. cross pattée, irregular lettering, crude bust left, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, 1.09g/10h (SCBI 35, 286 and B 79, fig. 209, same *obv.* die; S 5059). *Fair to fine, rare* £60-£80

Provenance: Bt D. Cavanagh September 1981

This obverse die, the only known obverse of Class J, was formed from the same punches as were used for the earliest class of John Baliol's First coinage, including a distinctive mullet with a broken point.

John Baliol (1292-1296)



- 1543** Second coinage, Sterling, without mint name (possibly Aberdeen), larger lettering of better style, bust left, *rev.* long cross, four mullets of five points in angles, 1.53g/3h (Stewartby and Holmes 31/bo; SCBI 35, 309 and B 16, fig. 219, same dies; S 5071). *Full, round, old mark on cheek, about very fine, rare thus* £200-£300

Provenance: J. Davidson Collection, DNW Auction 59, 7 October 2003, lot 817

With the loss of Berwick to the English in 1296, St Andrews remained a mint in the second coinage. However it is the vendor's belief that 'the Second coinage resulted from a new administration, set up at the time of the guardianship of Wallace and [much of it] was issued from a northern mint, probably Aberdeen'.

Edward I and II (1296-1318)

Occupation of Berwick

- 1544** Pennies (3), all Berwick-upon-Tweed, class Ia, narrow face, reads *HYB'*, 1.39g/6h *cf.* SCBI North 1123); class IIc, crude bust and lettering, 1.43g/4h (North 1131); class IVb, bifoliate crown, pellet on breast, Lombardic n in DNS, 1.19g/9h (North 1139; N 1072; S 1415). *Good fine, first with small chip at 12 o'clock, second very rare* £80-£100

Provenance: First bt eBay July 2009; second bt ABC Coins and Tokens July 2009; third bt eBay August 2006

Blunt recognises three varieties of crude Sterlings which he attributes to the period 1297-8. While types IIa and IIb are muled with dies of Class I, those of type IIc are not, and have more affinity with the later coins of Blunt class VII. Because of that, the vendor, along with Withers, feels that chronologically these coins belong near the end of the series, after c. 1315.

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1545 Penny, Berwick-upon-Tweed, class IVa, trifoliolate crown, pellet on breast, Lombardic n in dns, 1.49g/9h (SCBI North 1137, *this coin*; N 1078; S 1415). *Slightly weak in part of legend, nearly very fine* £50-£70

Provenance: JJ, North Collection; bt Spink October 2001



1546 Penny, Berwick-upon-Tweed, class IVa, trifoliolate crown, no pellet on breast, Lombardic n in dns, 1.58g/12h (SCBI North 1135, *this coin*; N 1078; S 1415). *Small weak patch, about very fine* £50-£70

Provenance: JJ, North Collection; bt Spink October 2001



1547 Penny, Berwick-upon-Tweed, class IVa, trifoliolate crown, pellet on breast, Lombardic n in dns, 1.43g/10h (SCBI North 1135 var.; N 1078; S 1415). *Nearly very fine* £50-£70

Provenance: Bt eBay February 2006



1548 Penny, Berwick-upon-Tweed, class IVb, bifoliolate crown, pellet on breast, Lombardic n in dns, 1.30g/3h (SCBI North 1139, *this coin*; N 1078; S 1415). *Nearly very fine* £50-£70

Provenance: JJ, North Collection; bt Spink June 2002



1549 Penny, Berwick-upon-Tweed, class IVc, bifoliolate crown, pellet on breast, Roman n in dns, 1.60g/7h (SCBI North 1140 var.; N 1078; S 1415). *About very fine* £50-£70

Provenance: Bt eBay March 2007



- 1550** Penny, Berwick-upon-Tweed, class IVc, bifoliate crown, pellet on breast, Roman N in DNS, 1.39g/1h (SCBI North 1140; N 1078; S 1415). *Good fine* £40-£60

Provenance: Bt Spink June 1982

David II (1329-1371)

First coinage, Second issue



- 1551** Sterling, mm. cross pattée, bust left with sceptre, smaller lettering, pellet after DAVID, clear sceptre-handle, *rev.* REX S'CO TTO RVM, long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, medium-sized lettering, 1.02g/11h (Savage 4/aq; Burns Bust 3/Dakers Reverse 3; SCBI 332-3 and B 8, fig. 234, same *obv.* die; S 5088). *Nearly very fine* £120-£150

Provenance: Soink Auction 166, 12 November 2003, lot 112

This bust appears on one of three small groups of coin struck at the start of this issue. The majority of the coinage features Burns busts 5 and 6 (Savage groups D and E).



- 1552** Sterling, mm. cross pattée, bust left with sceptre, smaller lettering, no stops, *rev.* REX SCO TTO RVM, long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, smaller lettering, 1.02g/3h (Savage 05/af; Burns Bust 4/Dakers Reverse 3; SCBI 35, 329 and B 10, fig. 235, same dies; S 5088). *Nearly very fine and toned* £150-£180

Provenance: From the Durham (Neville's Cross) Hoard 1889; DNW Auction 135; 21 March 2016, lot 5 (part)

Like the previous lot, this coin belongs near the start of the issue.



- 1553** Sterling, mm. cross pattée, bust left with sceptre, smaller lettering, no stops, *rev.* REX SCO TTO RVM, long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, smaller lettering, 1.09g/6h (Savage 09/as; Burns Bust 5/Dakers Reverse 3; SCBI 35, 334-5, 337 and B 18, fig. 241, same dies; S 5088). *Small flat areas in legends, very fine or better, lightly toned* £150-£180

Provenance: Bt L. Bennett May 2007

This issue is dated c. 1351-56, while David was still in captivity in London.

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- 1554** Sterling, mm. cross pattée, bust left with sceptre, smaller lettering, pellet after DAVID, four pellets after DEI, rev. REX SCO TTO RVM, long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, smaller lettering, 1.08g/11h (Savage 11/az; Burns Bust 5/Dakers Reverse 3; SCBI 35, 338 and B 20, fig. 242, same obv. die; S 5088). *Good fine or better, rare obverse die* £120-£150

Provenance: Bt S.J. Blencoe

- 1555** Sterling, mm. cross pattée, bust left with sceptre, full sceptre-handle, medium lettering, stops unclear, rev. REX SCO TTO RVM, long cross, four mullets of six points in angles, medium-sized lettering, 1.08g/2h (Savage 28/br; Burns Bust 6/Dakers Reverse 3; SCBI 35, 344; cf. B 27, fig. 247; S 5088); Third coinage, Sterling, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée on obv. only, normal 'Robert II' head, star on sceptre handle, double saltire stops, rev. VILL AED INBV RGH, long cross, four large mullets of five points in angles, plain A both sides, 0.98g/6h (SCBI 35, 440, same dies; B -, fig. -; S 5130) [2]. *Good fine and nearly fine, last rare* £120-£150

Provenance: First bt eBay December 2013; second bt R. Penrice March 2012

Second coinage



- 1556** Groat, class A1, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, small young bust, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, rosette stops, ornate v in DAVID, saltire after VILLA, 4.63g/8h (SCBI 35, 359 and B 1, fig. 250, same obv. die; S 5092). *Legends a little weak in parts, very fine or better, the variety very rare* £300-£360

Provenance: SNC January 1978 [461]; Spink Auction 259, 29 January 2019, lot 1722

The exact chronology of these early Groats is hard to establish but the ornate v in DAVID, essentially an inverted 'n', is one of the salient features.



- 1557** Groat, class A02, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, small young bust, tressure of six arcs and two segments, nothing in spandrels, rosette stops, normal v in DAVID, 4.15g/6h (SCBI 35, 375, same obv. die; B -, fig. 251, for a similar rev. die; S 5091). *Obverse fine, reverse better, strong portrait, a rare early variety* £200-£240

Provenance: Bt A. Gillis June 2001

Like the previous lot, this coin shows an early feature of the issue - rosette stops.

- 1558** Groats (3), all Edinburgh, class A1, mm. cross pattée, small young bust, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, rosette stops, ornate v in DAVID, saltire after VILLA, 4.28g/6h (SCBI 35, 359 same obv. die, 361, same rev die; B 1/17, figs. 250/268, same dies; S 5092), class A7, similar, single crosslet stops, five-pointed star (pierced) after SCOTORVM, rev. single crosslet stops, ornate A, 4.23g/1h (SCBI 35, 370-2 and B 12, fig. 259, same obv. die; S 5091), late class B, mm. cross fourchy, second intermediate bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, saltire stops, mullet after SCOTORVM, ornate A, rev. D under I of INBV, plain A, 4.21g/12h (SCBI 35, 373 and B 14, fig. 261, same obv. die; S 5097) [3]. *Fine or better, all very rare varieties* £240-£300

Provenance: First bt R. Penrice December 2011; second Spink (USA) Auction, June 2018, lot 411; third by eBay June 2010

The second coin comes from an obverse die coupled with eleven reverses and used continuously into class B. This reverse is from a very late class A die. The third is part of the enigmatic Cross Fourchy group.



- 1559** Groat, class A4, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, small young bust, tressure of six arcs, pellets in spandrels, double saltire stops, three saltires after SCOTORVM, saltire before EDINBVRGH, 4.58g/11h (SCBI 35, –; B 7, fig. 253, same *obv.* die; S 5094). *Weak and slightly double struck in places, very fine, attractively toned, rare* £240-£300

Provenance: Bt ABC Coins and Tokens July 2017

Many of the early dies vary considerably in detail from one to another (e.g. pellets in spandrels), suggesting die-cutters were innovating and experimenting before later settling on a formula for a sustained production run.



- 1560** Groat, class A5/B mule, Aberdeen, mm. cross pattée, small young bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, saltire stops, including after SCOTORVM, *rev* ornate A in VILLA and ABERDON, 4.14g/6h (*cf.* SCBI 35, 376 and 382 for type; B 15a, fig. 262B, for same *obv.* die used at Edinburgh; S 5103). *Small edge spilt, nearly very fine, toned, very rare* £500-£700

Provenance: R. Carlyon-Britton Collection; DNW Auction 142, 13 September 2017, lot 1365

This obverse die was first used at Aberdeen but sparingly, being only found with this one reverse Aberdeen die. It was later returned to Edinburgh where it is found coupled with six different reverses.



- 1561** Groat, class A7/B mule, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, small young bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, crosslet stops, unpierced mullet after SCOTORVM, *rev.* ornate A in VILLA, 3.97g/10h (SCBI 35, 370-2 and B 13, fig. 260, same *obv.* die; S 5091). *Very fine but with some mottled surface deposit, the muling rare* £240-£300

Provenance: Bt D. Cavanagh June 1983

In keeping with many class A obverse dies, this one was coupled with a surprising number of reverses - eleven, five with a plain A in VILLA, six with the later ornate A. However unlike other class A reverses, this one was used continuously well into the production of class B.

- 1562** Groat, class A, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée on *obv.*, cross fourchy on *rev.*, small young bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, single crosslet stops, double saltire after SCOTORVM, plain A both sides, 4.28g/2h (SCBI 35, 373, same *obv.* die; B 15b fig. 254A, same *obv.* die; S 5097); class A8/A9' mule, mm. cross pattée, young bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, reads DCI, RCX and COTORVM, double saltire stops, ornate AS on *rev.*, unbarred in VILLA, 3.20g/9h (SCBI 35, –; *cf.* B 11, fig. 258) [2]. *About fine, the reverses better, second slightly clipped, both extremely rare varieties* £150-£200

Provenance: First bt S. Shipp, October 2018; second Lockdale Auction 179, June 2020, lot unspecified

The first coin is an unpublished Aberdeen/Edinburgh die link and part of the Cross Fourchy group. The obverse is normally found coupled with one of two Aberdeen reverses, though a coin from Edinburgh was present in the 1980 Tranent hoard. However the vendor notes that it is later reused, in damaged condition as here, (note the die break by the king's chin) with a later Edinburgh reverse and forms part of the Cross Fourchy group. The second is from an second unpublished obverse die similar to Burns fig. 258.



- 1563** Groat, class 'A9', Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, small young bust, tressure of six arcs (less well defined), nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops after DAVID, DCI and GRA, nothing after REX, reads COTOROM, unbarred ornate A in GRA, lis at end of legend, reverse-barred ornate AS on rev, 4.15g/3h (SCBI 35, 374, same obv. die; cf. B 15, fig. 262; S 5091). *Good very fine, surface slightly granular on reverse, the variety very rare* £300-£400

Provenance: W.E. Triest Collection, CNG; bt D. Stuart September 2018

This is one of a small group of dies at the very end of class A to use the newly introduced ornate A which became standard in class B.



- 1564** Sterling, class A, Edinburgh, small young bust with large sloping shoulders, saltire stops, rev. long cross, large mullets in angles, 1.04g/11h (SCBI 35, 403-4 and B 1, fig. 266, same obv. die; S 5114). *Good fine or better* £120-£150

Provenance: Bt M.C.S. Rasmussen April 2013



- 1565** Sterling, class A, Edinburgh, small young bust with large sloping shoulders, saltire stops, rev. long cross, large mullets in angles, 1.14g/8h (SCBI 35, 407; B 2, fig. —; S 5114). *Fine or better* £80-£100

Provenance: Bt eBay March 2012



- 1566** Sterling, class A5/B mule, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, small young bust, crosslet stops, plain A in DAVID, reads RER, rev. long cross, four large mullets of five points in angles, ornate A in VILLA. 0.97g/3h (SCBI 35, 408/409; B —, fig. —; S 5114/5115). *Nearly very fine, the variety rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt S.J. Blencoe November 2013

This obverse die was only used at Aberdeen during Class A, being returned to Edinburgh for use only during the Class B Issue.



- 1567** Groat, class B/A mule, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent on *obv.*, cross fourchée on *rev.*, first intermediate bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops, nothing after *SCOTORVM*, saltire after *VILLA*, ornate *AS* on *obv.*, plain *AS* on *rev.*, 3.94g/3h (SCBI 35, –; B 18a, fig. 271A, same *obv.* die; S 5097). *Nearly very fine, rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Found near Dereham (Norfolk), bt eBay December 2013

This coin and the next belong to an unpublished 'Cross-Fourchy' sub-group of David II coins (Groats, Halfgroats and Pennies) which seems to have been produced between the end of Class B and the beginning of Class C. Extensive research by the vendor, done over a number of years and based mainly on letter forms and fonts, places these coins with their forked initial crosses in the period c. 1364. Burns' First intermediate bust obverses have been traced coupled only with Class A and Cross Fourchy reverse dies, strongly suggesting that these 'Class B' were not used alongside other Class B dies but only during the later period between classes B and C.



- 1568** Groat, late class B/class A mule, Edinburgh, mm. cross fourchée on *obv.*, cross pattée on *rev.*, first intermediate bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, double saltire stops, ornate *AS* on *obv.*, plain on *rev.*, 4.33g/1h (SCBI 35, 361, same *rev.* die; B 18a/17, figs. 271A/268; S 5097/5091). *Good fine or better, extremely rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt eBay February 2014



- 1569** Groat, class B, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, large young bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops, nothing after *SCOTORVM*, ornate *AS* both sides, 4.22g/6h (SCBI 35, 377 and B 19, fig. 279, same dies; S 5095). *Nearly very fine* £200-£240

Provenance: DNW Auction 86, 16-17 June 2010, lot 1305

Both sides show an unusual variation in the ornate letter *A*, large and barred in *DAVID* and *VILLA*, smaller and unbarred in *GRA* and *LIBATOR*.

- 1570** Groats (2), both Edinburgh, class B, mm. cross pattée, large young bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops, nothing after *SCOTORVM*, ornate *AS* both sides, 3.70g/2h (cf. SCBI 35, 377, –; cf. B 19, –, fig. 279, –; S 5095); Light coinage, class 2a, mm. cross pattée, 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, star on sceptre-handle, double crosslet stops, nothing after *SCOTORVM*, line below bust, cross over crescent contraction mark after *DNS*, ornate *A* both sides, 3.69g/4h (SCBI 35, –; B –, fig. –; S 5125) [2]. *First fine and small of flan, second better but chipped and cleaned, both very rare varieties* £150-£200

Provenance: First Spink Auction 249, 6-7 December 2017, lot 174; second bt eBay January 2006

- 1571** Groats (3), all Edinburgh, class B, mm. cross pattée, large young bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, crosslet and double crosslet stops, lis at end of legend, ornate AS both sides, 4.23g/9h (SCBI 35, 382 and B 28, fig. 275, same *obv.* die [with an Aberdeen *rev.*]; S 5095); class D (2), mm. cross pattée, 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops, reads SEOTORVM, nothing at end of legend, ornate A on *obv.*, ornate A in outer legend, plain A in inner on *rev.*, 3.66g/9h (SCBI 35, –; cf. B 32, fig. 291; S 5100); similar but with pellet behind crown and v of under VILL, 3.48g/7h (cf. SCBI 35, 387-9; cf. B 36, fig. 297; S 5101) [3]. *Fine to nearly very fine, first pierced, second with old scratches on face, third clipped, all rare varieties* £150-£200

Provenance: First Lord Grantley Collection, Part V, Glendining Auction, 18-19 May 1944, lot 1717 (part); DNW Auction 55, 8 October 2002, lot 667 (part); second bt Spink September 1978; third bt Mayfair Coin Co May 1980

The obverse die of the first coin is normally found linked with an Aberdeen reverse and was probably used later at Edinburgh.

- 1572** Groats (2), both Edinburgh, class B3c, second intermediate bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops, reversed D under v of INBV, ornate AS both sides, 3.87g/12h (SCBI 35, –; B 20, fig. 280, same *obv.* die); class B3d, similar, but mm. cross fourchy on *rev.*, first intermediate bust, D under R of RGH, 4.07g/4h (SCBI 35, –; B 18a, fig. 271A, same *obv.* die; S 5097) [2]. *Fine, second struck late in class B and part of the 'Cross Fourchy' group, rare* £150-£200

Provenance: First bt eBay July 2008; second bt eBay February 2014

The second coin is part of the so-called Cross Fourchy group probably struck in the interval between classes B and C.



- 1573** Sterling, class B, Edinburgh, larger young bust, single crosslet stops, nothing after, SCOTORVM, *rev.* long cross, large mullets in angles, saltire before VILL (?), ornate AS both sides, 0.87g/11h (SCBI 35, –; B –, fig. –; S 5115). *Better than fine, rare* £120-£150

Provenance: Bt R. Gladdle April 2007

- 1574** Sterlings (2), both Edinburgh, Class B (Cross Fourchy group), mm. cross fourchée on *obv.* only, single saltire stops, 0.96g/11h (SCBI 35, –; cf. B 5, fig. 270 for a similar *rev.*; S 5114); class C, mm. cross pattée, single crosslet stops, no additional letter in *rev.* angles, 1.17g/5h (SCBI 35, –; B 10, fig. 294, same *obv.* and similar *rev.* dies; S 5118) [2]. *Fair to fine, first very rare* £100-£120

Provenance: First found near Long Melford (Suffolk) 2012, by eBay January 2013; second bt eBay March 2009

- 1575** Groats (2), both class C1, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, third intermediate bust, tressure of six arcs and a small segment, nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops, single crosslet after SCOTORVM, ornate A on *obv.*, plain A on *rev.*, 4.04g/1h (cf. SCBI 35, 385; B 25, fig. 287, same *obv.* die; S 5098); similar, six arc tressure, C for E in DEI, 3.62g/11h (SCBI 35, –; B 24, fig. 286, same *obv.* die; S 5098) [2]. *First good fine and toned, second fine and a little small of flan* £150-£200

Provenance: First bt ABC Coins and Tokens December 2011; second bt eBay May 2010



- 1576** Groat, class C1, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, third intermediate bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops, ornate AS on *obv.*, plain on *rev.*, 3.48g/12h (SCBI 35, –; cf. B 24, fig. 286, –; S 5098). *Good fine but rather small of flan* £80-£100

Provenance: DNW Auction 136, 8-9 June 2016, lot 804 (part)



- 1577** Groat, class C1, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, third intermediate bust, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, c for ε in DCI, double crosslet stops, ornate AS on obv., plain on rev., 4.25g/9h (SCBI 35, 384, same dies, –; cf. B 26, fig. 288, –; S 5098). *Good fine but small attempted piercing on reverse between B and V of BVRGH* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt Spink April 2001

The vendor notes that these dies come late in the class C series.



- 1578** Groat, class D1, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, double crosslet stops, reads SEOTORVM, nothing at end of legend, ornate A on obv., ornate A in outer legend, plain A in inner on rev., 3.88g/11h (cf. SCBI 35, –; cf. B 32, fig. 291; S 5100). *On a spread flan, hairline striking crack at 4 o'clock, nearly very fine, rare* £150-£200

Provenance: J. Davidson Collection, DNW Auction 59, 7 October 2003, lot 832

The vendor points out that, although struck on a full flan, this coin weighs rather less than the average of most class C Groats, suggesting that the weight reduction between the Second to Third coinage was not straightforward (see part I, lot 88, footnote).



- 1579** Halfgroat, class D, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, third intermediate bust with aquiline nose, tressure of six arcs, nothing in spandrels, crosslet stops, double crosslet after SEOTORVM and MEVS, ornate A both sides, 2.00g/9h (cf. SCBI 35, 400; B –, fig. –; cf. S 5109). *Trace of ghosting on obverse, about very fine, toned* £200-£300

Provenance: M. Gietzelt Collection, DNW Auction 181, 16 September 2020, lot 6

While the conventional Class C identification is based on the portrait alone, research by the vendor on lettering and punches shows that this coin is contemporary with the class D Groats and Pennies - the most distinctive letter being the T, but also A, E and M.

Third coinage



- 1580** Groat, class 2a, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, star on sceptre-handle, double crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTORVM, line below bust, cross over crescent after DNS, ornate A both sides, 4.20g/4h (cf. SCBI 35, 415-6 and B -, fig. -; S 5125). *Slightly irregular flan, better than very fine, scarce* £200-£300

Provenance: Bt A.D. Hamilton August 1974

The variety with ornate A is scarce.

- 1581** Groats (3), all Edinburgh, class 2b, mm. cross pattée, 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, star on sceptre-handle, double saltire stops, nothing after SCOTORVM, no line below busts, two stars after DNS, plain A both sides, 3.82g/9h, 3.70g/6h (cf. SCBI 35, 427 and B 43, fig. 306, for similar dies); as last two but single crosslet stops on *obv.*, 3.67g/2h (cf. SCBI 35, 425-7 and B 43, fig. 306, for similar *rev.* die) [3]. *First fine, others good fine or better, all very rare varieties* £240-£300

Provenance: First DNW Auction 124, 16 September 2014, lot 2763 (part); second bt J. Philpotts October 2020; third bt S.J. Blencoe March 2019

These coins all date from late in the Third coinage, at which point standards of production have fallen.

Robert II (1371-1390)



- 1582** Groat, Phase 1a, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, normal 'Robert II' head, tressure of seven arcs, trefoils in spandrels, star on sceptre-handle, line below bust, double crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTORVM, crescent and crosslet after DNS, plain A both sides, 3.77g/8h (SCBI 35, -; B 5, fig. 311, same *obv.* die; S 5131). *Nearly very fine, the obverse variety rare* £150-£200

Provenance: J. Birch Collection, DNW Auction 133, 12 November 2015, lot 108

This is the only die produced at Edinburgh with seven arcs to the tressure



- 1583** Groat, Phase 1a, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, normal 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, star on sceptre-handle, line below bust, single crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTORVM, reads GR'A, crescent and crosslet after DN's, plain A both sides, 3.93g/2h (cf. SCBI 35, 457; cf. B 4, fig. 310; S 5131). *Very fine* £200-£240

Provenance: Baldwin of St James's Auction 13, 27 November 2017, lot 360



- 1584** Groat, Phase 1b, Perth, mm. cross pattée, normal 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs and a segment, trefoils in spandrels, star on sceptre-handle, line below bust, double crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTTORVM, unbarred A in GRA, crescent and crosslet after DNS, reads ED PERTH, plain A both sides, 3.80g/1h (SCBI 35, -; B 12, fig. 319, same dies; S 5136). *Flan slightly chipped and irregular, otherwise very fine* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt P. Withers February 2004

A very early die from Perth, the only known Perth obverse with an extra segment to the tressure. One such Edinburgh die is also known.



- 1585** Groat, Phase 1b, Perth, mm. cross pattée, normal 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, star on sceptre-handle, line below bust, double crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTTORVM, unbarred A in GRA, crescent and crosslet after DNS, reads ED PERTH, plain A both sides, 3.89g/5h (SCBI 35, 473; B 11, fig. 318, same dies; S 5136). *On a wide, spread flan, very fine or better and lightly toned, scarce* £200-£300

Provenance: Bt Spink December 1986

It is unclear whether the 'ED PERTH' reading is an error or was a deliberate alteration. The fact that it occurs (uncorrected) on more than one die suggests it may denote a link between Edinburgh and Perth striking. However the existence of a Sterling die with DE struck over ED points to the correction of a die-sinking error.



- 1586** Groat, Phase 2, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, normal 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, small triangle on sceptre-handle, line below bust, double crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTTORVM but both OS are barred, crescent and crosslet after DNS, plain A both sides, 3.85g/12h (cf. SCBI 35, 454; B 3, fig. 309; S 5131). *About very fine, the surfaces a little rough and the flan slightly ragged* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt Seaby February 1982

The small triangle or arrowhead on the sceptre handle is presumably a star distorted by slight mis-striking. The barred OS are not particularly noticeable but the vendor points out a Perth coin (B. fig 318) where they are more clearly seen.



- 1587** Groat, Phase 2, Perth, mm. cross pattée, normal 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, star on sceptre-handle, line below bust, double crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTTORVM, unbarred A in GRA, crescent and crosslet after DNS, plain A both sides, 3.86g/8h (SCBI 35, 465, same dies; cf. B 10, fig. 317; S 5136). *Slightly off centre on a full flan, very fine* £200-£240

Provenance: Bt ABC Coins October 2006



- 1588** Groat, Phase 3/4 mule, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, normal 'Robert II' head, tressure of six arcs, trefoils in spandrels, small star on sceptre-handle, B behind head cancelled by a large pellet, line below bust, double crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTTORVM, crescent and crosslet after DNS, plain A both sides, 3.54g/3h (SCBI 35, —; B 5a, fig. 324A, same rev. die; S 5132 var.). *Slightly small of flan, good fine, extremely rare, the obverse die unpublished, with or without the pellet overstamp* £200-£300

Provenance: Bt Ancient and Hammered Coins September 2015

For a clearer example of the field mark see Noonans 316/1087. This obverse die dates from late in the coinage when a large or small B was generally added behind the head. However for some reason, the small B on this die appears to have been obliterated or cancelled by a pellet. The vendor has not traced the die without the cancellation. This obverse is only known to the vendor coupled with a die from late in the coinage. Presumably the reason for the addition of the letter was no longer valid by the time of this coin's issue.



- 1589** Sterling, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent on obv. only, star on sceptre handle, nothing behind head, single crosslet stops, reads REX SCOTORVM, 0.81g/3h (SCBI 35, —; B —, fig. —; S 5145). *Fine or better, the variety very rare* £120-£150

Provenance: Bt eBay February 2011



- 1590** Sterling, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent on obv. only, star on sceptre handle, nothing behind head, single crosslet stops, reads REX SCOTTORVM, 0.94g/8h (SCBI 35, —; B 1, fig. —; S 5145). *Good fine or better, the legend variety very rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt eBay March 2019

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- 1591** Sterling, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent on *obv.* only, nothing on sceptre handle, saltire (?) before REX, reads SCOTO, *rev.* +VIL LAE DIN RVRGH, R for B on both sides, 0.84g/12h (SCBI 35, –; B 6a, fig. –; S 5146). *Nearly very fine but slightly off centre, the variety very rare* £120-£150

Provenance: Spink Auction 207, 23 March 2011, lot 234



- 1592** Sterling, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent on *obv.* only, nothing on sceptre handle, reads RORETVS and SCOTORV, double saltire at end of legend, *rev.* VILL AED INBV RGH, no other stops either side, 0.93g/1h (cf. SCBI 35, 493; B –, fig. –; S 5146). *Creased, nearly fine and very rare* £50-£70

Provenance: Bt eBay April 2015



- 1593** Sterling, Perth, mm. cross potent on *obv.* only, nothing on sceptre handle, reads RORERTVS D G REX SC, no stops, R for B, *rev.* +VILL ADE PER THX, 0.86g/9h (SCBI 35, –; B 13, fig. 314, same *obv.* die; S 5150). *Good fine or better, the obverse legend variety very rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt J. Newman March 2011

Robert III (1390-1406)

Heavy coinage, First issue



- 1594** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée on *rev.* only, tressure of seven arcs, large trefoils on cusps, triple pellet stops, double saltire after SCOTORVM, *rev.* three pellets in quarters of cross, double saltire stop after DNS, inner legend with double saltire stops, normal BS on both sides, 2.51g/9h (SCBI 35, –; SCBI 72, 23; cf. B 7a, fig. 349A; S 5164). *Some surface deposit, very fine and very rare* £200-£260

Provenance: N.G. Brodie Collection, DNW Auction 55, 8 October 2002, lot 51

An extremely rare die in the series with a double saltire at the end of the obverse legend which is otherwise punctuated with triple pellet stops.

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- 1595** Groats (2), both Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, large trefoils on cusps, triple pellet stops, including after SCOTORVM, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, reads LIRATOR, mixed single and double saltire stops, normal bs both sides, 2.41g/12h (SCBI 35, –; SCBI 72, 31; cf. B –, fig. –); similar but triple-pellet stops after ROBERTVS and DEI, lis and crescent after GRA and REX, DNS, VILLA and BVRGH, 2.83g/2h (SCBI 35, 550-2, same obv. die; cf. SCBI 72, 81; S 5164) [2]. *About fine and nearly very fine, both chipped* £120-£150

Provenance: First bt D. Cavanagh July 1980; second bt A. Davisson February 2015

The transition from triple pellet to lis and crescent stops did not happen all at once. A number of obverse dies had mixed stops. While some dies were made this way, it seems likely that others were original triple-pellet dies with some stops overpunched - as seems to be the case with the second coin in this lot.

- 1596** Groats (2), both Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, large trefoils on cusps, triple pellet stops, nothing after SCOTORVM, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, mixed single and double saltire stops, normal bs both sides, 2.85g/12h (SCBI 35, 549, same dies; SCBI 72, 60; cf. B 4, fig. 344); similar but lis and crescent stops both sides, 2.79g/4h (cf. SCBI 35, 553-6; SCBI 72, 114; cf. B. 10, fig. 353; S 5164) [2]. *First fine, second better but edge ragged between 2 and 4 o'clock* £150-£200

Provenance: First bt D. Cavanagh June 1986; second bt Spink June 2001

- 1597** Groats (3), Edinburgh (2), no mm., tressure of seven arcs, trefoils on cusps, lis and crescent stops, triple-arc tressure at 12 o'clock (?), rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, lis and crescent stops after DNS, VILLA and RGH, 2.64g/10h (cf. SCBI 35, 555; SCBI 72, 94ff; B –, fig. –; S 5164A). , mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, trefoils on some cusps, nothing on breast, annulets in spandrels, double annulet stops after ROBERTVS, DEI and REX, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, double annulet stops 2.34g/9h (cf. SCBI 35, 569-70; SCBI 72, 190ff, same obv. die: B 41, fig 391; S 5167); Perth, mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, trefoils on five cusps and on breast, annulets in spandrels, double crosslet stops, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, double crosslet stops after DNS, P, TECTOR, MS, Z, VILLA and DE, 2.54g/1h (SCBI 35, 588, same dies; SCBI 72, 247; B 28, fig. 392, same dies; S 5171) [3]. *Varied state, some extremely rare varieties* £150-£200

The second coin in the lot has the internal legend starting beneath the fourth quarter of the outer one [VILL under ATORM[—]].



- 1598** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, trefoils on cusps, lis and crescent stops, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, lis and crescent stops after DNS, VILLA and RGH, 2.58g/3h (cf. SCBI 35, 552; SCBI 72, 96; B –, fig. –; S 5164A). *Slight edge chip at 12 o'clock, nearly very fine, a very rare variety* £150-£180

Provenance: Bt J. Philpotts May 2019

- 1599** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, trefoils on cusps, lis and crescent stops, rev. lis and crescent stops after DNS, VILLA and RGH, 3.70g/2h (cf. SCBI 35, 555, same obv. die; SCBI 72, 108ff; cf. B 10, fig. 353); a similar coin but tressure of nine arcs, reads SCOTORV, 2.79g/5h (cf. SCBI 35, 558-9; SCBI 72, –; B 13, fig. 355) [2]. *Good fine, second with small edge cut and flan flaw at 12 o'clock, very rare* £150-£200

First bt L. Bennett October 2011; second bt ABC Coins and Tokens February 2018



- 1600** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, trefoils on cusps, lis and crescent stops, uncertain symbol and lis and crescent (?) after SCOTORVM, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, lis and crescent stops after DNS, VILLA and RGH, 2.37g/1h (cf. SCBI 35, 552; SCBI 72, 121; B p.291, fig. 353A, same obv. die; S 5164A). *Good fine, reverse nearly so* £100-£120



- 1601** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on cusps, triple arc to tressure at 3 o'clock, lis and crescent stops, including after SCOTORVM, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, lis and crescent stops after DNS, VILLA and RGH, 2.83g/12h (cf. SCBI 35, 552; SCBI 72, 128; B —, fig. —; S 5164A). *A little weak in places, nearly very fine* £150-£200

Provenance: DNW Auction 132, 15-18 September 2015, lot 211

The vendor points out the triple arc on the tressure, commenting that it is only a feature of this later phase of the lis and crescent stops issue. He adds "It may have been some form of privy-marking but there seems to be no pattern to it".



- 1602** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of nine arcs, large trefoils on cusps, lis and crescent stops, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, lis and crescent stops after DNS, VILLA and RGH, 2.45g/9h (cf. SCBI 35, —; SCBI 72, 131; cf. B 13, fig. 355; S 5164A). *Some surface marks, fine or better* £70-£90

Provenance: J.K.R. Murray Collection, Spink Auction 57, 29 April 1987, lot 161; bt M. Vosper October 2015

Heavy coinage, Second issue/First issue mule



- 1603** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of ten arcs, trefoils on six cusps, seventh on breast, saltire and pellet stops, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, large lis stops after DNS, VILLA and RGH, 2.71g/3h (SCBI 35, 582, same obv. die; SCBI 72, 225/167, same rev. die; B 24/35c, fig. 366/370D, same dies; S 5170). *One a slightly small flan, good fine, an unpublished Perth/Edinburgh die link and extremely rare thus* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt eBay March 2019

The vendor notes 'This is one of three Perth obverse dies now recorded as having been used at Edinburgh during the Second issue; this die with two different reverses'. While the dies were used quite prolifically at Perth, their use at Edinburgh must have been very limited - the resulting coins being extremely rare.



- 1604** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on all cusps, including on breast, saltire and pellet stops, reads SCOTTRVM, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, double saltire stops after DNS, MS and VILLA, 2.58g/1h (SCBI 72, 168, same dies; SCBI 35, 568, and B 39, fig 373, same *obv* die; S 5166). *Small edge cut, good fine, the muling very rare* £150-£200

Provenance: H.J. Marr Collection; Mrs Joan E.L. Murray Collection, Baldwin Auction 26, 9 May 2001, lot 1886; W.E. Triest Collection, CNG Auction 429, 26 September 2018, lot 568; bt ABC Coins and Tokens

The vendor notes "There seem to have been few obverses of this Edinburgh group produced and they are mainly muled with first issue reverses".

Heavy coinage, Second issue



- 1605** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross potent, tressure of nine arcs with bust breaking through the lower two, trefoils on eight cusps and on breast, double pellet stops, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, double pellet stops after DNS, P, MS, Z and VILLA, 2.64g/3h (SCBI 35, 563, same dies; SCBI 72, 178ff; B 34, fig. 380, same *obv* die; S 5166). *Nearly very fine* £150-£200

Provenance: DNW Auction 145, 13-14 March 2018, lot 501

This is one of the rather scarce homogeneous Edinburgh groats - the norm at that mint being a combination of different stops on obverse and reverse.



- 1606** Groat, Perth, mm. cross potent, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on eight cusps, nothing on breast, nothing in spandrels, saltire and pellet stops after ROBERTVS, DEI, GRA, REX, and SCOTTRVM, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, saltire and pellet stops after DNS, P, MS, Z, VILLA and DE, 2.66g/6h (cf. SCBI 35, -583, same *rev* die; SCBI 72, 225-7: cf. B 24, fig 366; S 5170). *Good fine* £100-£120

Provenance: Bt A. Howitt November 2016



- 1607** Groat, Perth, mm. cross potent, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on six cusps and on breast, saltire and pellet stops, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, saltire and pellet stops after DNS, P, TECTOR, MS, Z, VILLA and DE, 2.51g/9h (SCBI 35, –; SCBI 72, 229; cf. B 23, fig. –; S 5170). *About very fine but flan rather small and ragged* £100-£120

Provenance: Timeline Auctions, 14 February 2015, lot 1752



- 1608** Groat, Perth, mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, trefoils on four cusps, no trefoil on breast, nothing in spandrels, single crosslet stop after ROBERTVS, double crosslet after DEI, GRA and REX, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, double crosslet stops after DNS, P, MS, Z, VILLA and DE, 2.63g/12h (cf. SCBI 35, 584; SCBI 72, 236; B 25, fig 374; S 5170). *Good fine or better* £150-£180

Provenance: ABC Coins and Token June 2019

Based on the sequence of letter punches, the introduction of double-crosslet stops at Perth was carried out in two stages in a way that suggests a gap in production following the pellet and saltire issue.



- 1609** Groat, Perth, mm. cross potent, tressure of seven arcs, trefoils on five cusps, trefoil on breast, double crosslet stops, nothing after SCOTORVM, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, double crosslet stops after DNS, P, MS and Z, 2.74g/1h (SCBI 35, –; SCBI 72, 238ff; cf. B 25, fig. 373; S 5170). *Nearly very fine* £120-£150

Provenance: W.E. Triest Collection, CNG Auction 429, 26 September 2018, lot 569 [from M. Vosper]

This coin was struck from the first of the Perth dies with the new double-crosslet stops.



- 1610** Groat, Perth, mm. cross potent, tressure of six arcs, trefoils on cusps, nothing in spandrels, nothing on breast, double crosslet stops after ROBERTVS, GRA and REX, nothing after SCOTORVM, rev. three pellets in quarters of cross, double crosslet stops after DNS, Z, TECTOR and MS, 3.10g/10h (SCBI 35, –; cf. SCBI 72, 254, same *obv.* die; B 32/30, figs. 397/395, same dies; S 5170). *Nearly very fine* £150-£200

Provenance: DNW Auction 55, 8 October 2002, lot 709 (part); bt Spink December 2002

This style of bust was introduced around the time that the Aberdeen mint opened and it is likely that dies for all three mints, Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Perth were centrally produced using the same portrait and letter punches. Only the stops vary from mint to mint.

James I (1406-1437)

First Fleur-de-lis issue



- 1611** Groat, Edinburgh, type IIb, mm. cross pattée, tressure of seven arcs, saltires on shoulders, saltire and i on each side of neck, reads GRACIA, rev. lis in first quarter and lis and saltire in third, three pellets in second and fourth quarters, nothing in centre, lis stops with saltire interpunctuation both sides, 2.02g/11h (cf. SCBI 35, 641; SCBI 72, 373; B 4, fig. 431 same obv. die; S 5195). *Fine but badly chipped* £60-£80

Provenance: Bt D. Cavanagh July 1980

This coin belongs to an early group of coins reading GRACIA - before the spelling was changed to TRACIA which is normal on the majority of first and second issue groats. Dakers suggested that the use of the T came about when the written instructions issued to the die cutters used a half-uncial G and that this was misread as a T. Burns recorded nine reverses reading GRACIA including this one.



- 1612** Groat, Edinburgh, type II, mm. cross pattée, tressure of seven arcs, saltire on each shoulder, to left of bust and to the right of crown, i to right of bust, nothing on neck, reads GRACIA (large G), lis at end of legend, rev. three pellets in first and fourth quarters, lis between small saltires in second and third, small saltire in centre of cross, lis stops on obv., lis and saltires on rev., five tiny saltires after ED, 2.11g/9h (cf. SCBI 35 641; cf. SCBI 72, 380; B 8, fig. 435, same die; S 5195). *Small edge chip at 3 o'clock, very fine for issue, some very rare minor varieties* £240-£300

Provenance: Bt eBay April 2012

This coin was produced towards the end of type II, when the spelling TRACIA reverted to GRACIA - this time with a large letter G. The use of a saltire in the centre of the reverse cross is an unusual innovation unique to this die.



- 1613** Groat, Edinburgh, type III, mm. cross pattée, tressure of eight arcs, saltire on each shoulder and to the right of crown, i to right of neck, lis on neck, reads ICOBVS and TRACIA, lis at end of legend, rev. three pellets and small central pellet in first and fourth quarters, lis and pellet in second, lis and saltire in third, nothing in centre of cross, lis stops on obv., lis and saltires on rev., 2.10g/11h (cf. SCBI 35 -; SCBI 72, 427ff; cf. B 17, fig. 449; S 5195). *Slightly ragged flan, fine, portrait better, rare* £150-£200

Provenance: W.E. Triest Collection, CNG e-Auction 429, 26 September 2018, lot 572

At this point in type III, the spelling again becomes TRACIA.



- 1614** Groat, Edinburgh, type III, mm. cross pattée, tressure of eight arcs, saltire on each shoulder, to left of neck and to the right of crown, 1 to right of neck, lis on neck, reads TRACIA, small lis at end of legend, rev. three pellets and small central pellet in first and fourth quarters, lis and pellet in second and third, small lis in centre of cross, large G in EDINBURGH, lis stops on obv., lis and saltires on rev., 1.75g/10h (SCBI 35 –; SCBI 72, 466; cf. B 20, fig. 458; S 5195). *Slightly small of flan, about very fine for issue* £200-£300
 Provenance: Bt through D. Stuart June 2019



- 1615** Groat, Edinburgh, type III, mm. cross pattée, tressure of seven arcs, saltire on each shoulder and to the right of crown, lis on neck, reads TRACIA, lis at end of legend, rev. three pellets and small central pellet in first and fourth quarters, lis in second and third, nothing in centre of cross, lis stops on obv., lis and saltires on rev., 2.19g/6h (SCBI 35 –; SCBI 72, 480, same rev. die; B –, fig. –; S 5197). *Stain on obverse legend, better than fine, the variety extremely rare* £200-£300
 Provenance: Noble Numismatics Pty Auction 98 (Sydney), 22-5 November 2011, lot xxx
 The obverse of this coin shows a distinctive tall crown which is known to the vendor from only four dies.



- 1616** Groat, Edinburgh, type III, mm. cross pattée, tressure of seven arcs broken by bust, saltire on each shoulder and to left of neck, 1 to right of neck, lis on neck, reads TRACIA, nothing at end of legend, rev. three pellets and small central pellet in first and fourth quarters, lis and pellet in second and third, nothing in centre of cross, large G in EDINBURGH, lis stops on obv., lis and saltire on rev., 2.13g/6h (SCBI 35 –; SCBI 72, 482; B 22d, fig. 460B, same dies; S 5195). *About fine, some light obverse scratches* £120-£150
 Provenance: Mrs Joan E.L. Murray Collection, Baldwin Auction 26, 9 May 2001, lot 1898; bt Spink May 2011
 This coin has the same tall crown as the last lot but on this coin the bust breaks the tressure.

James I or II (c. 1435-40)



- 1617** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, tressure of seven arcs with fleurs on cusps, 1 at base of sceptre, lis on neck, saltire on each shoulder and to left of bust, reads *IACOBVS* and *TRACIA*, legend ends *SCOT*, rev. three pellets with small central pellet in first and fourth quarters, lis in second quarter, lis and annulet in third, nothing in centre of cross, reads *EDIBVRGH*, two annulets after *ED*, lis and saltire stops on *obv.*, lis and annulet on *rev.*, 1.66g/2h (SCBI 35, 663, same dies; SCBI 72, 517; B 36, fig. 476, same dies [?], rev. not illustrated]; S 5200). *Good fine, rather small of flan* £200-£260

Provenance: L.E. Bruun Collection; Dr J. Davidson Collection; Patrick Finn FPL 4, April 1995 (number unspecified); Mrs Joan E.L. Murray Collection, Baldwin Auction 26, 9 May 2001, lot 1901; bt Spink June 2002

This obverse die comes from early in the Second Fleur-de-lis series and was coupled with at least six reverses, including a First issue reverse die.

Second Fleur-de-lis issue



- 1618** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, tressure of seven arcs, 1 at base of sceptre, lis on neck, tiny saltires on breast, nothing in fields, reads *IACOBVS* and *TRACIA*, legend ends *SCOT*, rev. three pellets with small central pellet in first and fourth quarters, lis in second quarter, lis and annulet in third, small lis (indistinct) in centre of cross, lis stops both sides, 2.09g/1h (SCBI 35, 669 and 670, same *obv.* die; SCBI 72, 518ff; B 35, fig. 475, same dies; S 5200). *About very fine for issue, scarce* £400-£500
- Provenance:* Bt Spink January 1986

James II (1437-1460)

First coinage, Third Fleur-de-lis issue



- 1619** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, tressure of eight arcs, reads *GRACIA*, legend ends *SCOTOR*, no additional marks, rev. three pellets in first and fourth quarters, lis in second and third, annulet after *VRGH*, nothing in centre of cross, double annulet stops both sides, 1.98g/12h (SCBI 35, -; SCBI 72 585ff; B -, cf. fig. 501 rev.; S 5225). *Large chip between 12 and 2 o'clock, better than fine, the variety very rare* £200-£300

Provenance: Bt Edinburgh July 1983

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Second coinage, Second issue



1620 Groat, type IIb, Edinburgh, mm. crown, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on some cusps, nothing in spandrels, reads IACOBVS and GRACIA, double saltire after SCOTORVM, rev. three pellets and annulet in first and fourth quarters, crown in second and third, nothing in centre of cross, reads EDINBVG, no stops either side (except as stated), 3.36g/11h (SCBI 35, 702, same obv. die; SCBI 72, 661; B 19a and 19b, fig. –, same obv. die; S 5233). *Good fine but mount removed at 12 o'clock, rare* £200-£300

Provenance: DNW Auction 66, 6 July 2005, lot 639; bt S.J. Blencoe July 2019

This coin belongs to a small group struck early in type II. The key features are SCOTORVM spelt with one T and GRACIA rendered in full.



1621 Groat, type IIIa, Edinburgh, mm. crown, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on some cusps, nothing in spandrels, broken saltires by neck, reads IACOBVS, GRA and SCOTTORVM, double saltire stops (double crosslet after IACOBVS), rev. crown in first and fourth quarters, three pellets and saltire in second and third, nothing in centre of cross, double saltires after VIL and LAE and before VRG, reversed c for D both sides, 3.58g/7h (SCBI 35, 716, same obv. die [but with Aberdeen rev.]; SCBI 72, 697, same dies; B 39a, fig. 541A, same obv. die [but with Aberdeen rev.]; S 5236). *Good fine or better, extremely rare, the die combination unpublished* £500-£700

Provenance: Mrs Joan E.L. Murray Collection, Baldwin Auction 26, 9 May 2001, lot 1921; bt Spink January 2002

This obverse die was used with two Aberdeen reverses but the Edinburgh die link remained unpublished until the publication of this section of Lord Stewartby's collection in SCBI 71.



1622 Groat, type III/II mule, Edinburgh, mm. crown, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on some cusps, nothing in spandrels, reads IACOBVS, GRA and EX, (for REX), double annulet stops including after SCOTTORVM, single annulet after DEI, rev. three pellets and annulet in first and fourth quarters, crown in second and third, nothing in centre of cross, no stops but saltire after VILLA, 3.23g/1h (SCBI 35, 706,

same obv. die: cf. SCBI 72, 700ff; B 24a, fig. –, same obv. die: S 5233). *Nearly very fine, very rare* £500-£700

Provenance: W.E. Triest Collection, CNG e-Auction 429, 26 September 2018, lot 1007



- 1623** Groat, type IIIb, Edinburgh, mm. crown, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on some cusps, nothing in spandrels, saltires by neck, reads IACOBVS, DEI [for DEI], GRA and SCOTTORVM, double saltire stops (double crosslet after IACOBVS, nothing after REX), rev. crown in first and fourth quarters, three pellets and saltire in second and third, nothing in centre of cross, double saltires before and after LAE, and before VRG, 3.21g/6h (SCBI 35, 717 and 718, same obv. die [but with Perth rev.]; SCBI 72, –; B 30a, fig. 549A, same dies; S 5233). *A little off-centre and bust slightly double-struck, otherwise almost very fine* £400-£600

Provenance: W.L. Gantz Collection, Glendining Auction, 23-7 June 1941, lot 1535 (part); DNW Auction 55, 8 October 2002, lot 721

James III (1460-1488)

Light issue, 1475



- 1624** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross pattée, tall crown of five fleurs, tressure of ten arcs, trefoils on some cusps, legend ends SCOTORM, rev. three pellets in first and third quarters, mullet of six points in second and fourth, cross before VL, double saltire stops both sides, 2.44g/12h (Dies 1/A; SCBI 35, 744-5, same obv. die; SCBI 72, 830-1 and B 14, fig. 588, same dies; S 5273). *Very fine or better, rare* £500-£700

Provenance: Mrs Joan E.L. Murray Collection, Baldwin Auction 26, 9 May 2001, lot 1937; DNW Auction 56, 11 December 2002, lot 279

These coins were struck in accordance with the Act of Parliament of 20 November 1475



- 1625** Groat, Berwick, mm. cross pattée, tall crown of five fleurs, tressure of nine arcs, trefoils on all cusps, legend ends SCOTORM Z, rev. mullet of six points in first and fourth quarters, three pellets in second and third, cross before VL, double saltire stops both sides, 2.97g/1h (SCBI 35, 760, SCBI 72, 840 and B 16, fig. 589, same dies but in altered state; S 5276). *Nearly very fine, extremely rare* £800-£1,000

Provenance: Bt Spink October 2007

Coins from the Berwick mint formed a small but integrated part of this second group of Mullet Groats. Three obverse dies were used only at Edinburgh. Coins from these are very rare. Two others were more heavily used at Edinburgh and are also coupled with Berwick reverses. The coin in question here was produced from a sixth obverse, only used at Berwick and although the bust is different from the other five, it was produced using the same punches.

From a detailed study of letter punches, the vendor has worked out that the current die was probably the first of the series to be cut but that this coin was struck later in the issue by which time it had been quite extensively altered in numerous details, including the reverse spelling of LIBEATO, which he feels was done to match reverse readings that were currently in use.

While numerous coins exist struck from the dies in their original state, the vendor believes the current specimen, with the dies in their later state, to be unpublished and of the highest rarity.

Light issue, 1482



- 1626** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross fleury, tressure of seven arcs, small trefoils on cusps, crown with five spikes, legend ends SCOTORM, rev. mullet of five points in first and fourth quarters, three pellets in second and third, reads EDENBEOVRGE, 2.33g/7h (Murray dies 1/c, SCBI 35, 764, same dies; SCBI 72, 845ff; B 24, fig. 606, same obv. die; S 5280). *Good fine, surfaces rather rough* £150-£200

Provenance: DNW Auction 57, 19 March 2003, lot 736

This obverse die was probably the first to be used in this coinage, found coupled with six reverses, as well as with a Type III reverse die [1475 issue]



- 1627** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross fleury, tressure of seven arcs, small trefoils on cusps, crown with five spikes, legend ends SCOTORM, rev. three pellets in first and fourth quarters, mullet of five points in second and third, reads EDENBEOVRGE, 2.45g/9h (Murray dies 3/f, SCBI 35, 765, same obv. die; SCBI 72, 845ff; B 25, fig. —, same obv. die; S 5280A). *Nearly very fine* £240-£300

Provenance: Mrs Joan E.L. Murray Collection, Baldwin Auction 26, 9 May 2001, lot 1943; bt SPink December 2001



- 1628** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross fleury, tressure of seven arcs, small trefoils on cusps, crown with five spikes, legend ends SCOTORM, rev. mullet of five points in first and fourth quarters, three pellets in second and third, reads EDENBEOVRGE, 2.17g/3h (Murray dies 3/g, SCBI 35, 765, same obv. die; SCBI 72, 845ff; B 25, fig. —, same obv. die; S 5280). *Nearly very fine but part of edge chipped and ragged* £200-£260

Provenance: Bt M. Vosper February 2003

The vendor notes that this reverse die, unlike most of the others in the series, is found coupled with only one obverse. It also shows mullets in the first and fourth quarters, by far the rarer of the two varieties.

Heavy issue, 1484-8



- 1629** Groat, Edinburgh, mm. cross fleury on rev. only, annulet on inner circle before face, legend ends *COTRV*, rev. three pellets and annulet in first and fourth quarters, crown in second and third, reads *EDINBRVG*, 2.97g/6h (SCBI 35, 778, same dies; SCBI 72, 883ff; B 42, same dies, cf. fig. 641; S 5287). *Good fine, reverse better, scarce* £400-£500

Provenance: Bt Spink September 1987

This issue was ordained by Act of Parliament on 24 February 1484 [NS] and was struck until the end of the reign.

James V (1513-1542)

Second coinage



- 1630** Groat, Holyrood Abbey mint, type IIIb (i), bust right with mantle and corded chain, single-arched crown, eight jewels to band, strawberry-leaf decorations, no numeral after *IACOBVS*, rev. shield with rounded base, cross-ends C, pelleted *v* in *OPPIDV*, no contraction after *r* of *EDINBRVGI*, trefoil stops both sides, 2.46g/1h (SCBI 35, 931, same *obv.* die; SCBI 58, 60; SCBI 71, 373; B 10, fig. 713, same dies; S 5378). *About very fine but 10mm split in flan, the variety without numeral very rare* £200-£260

Provenance: Stray find from East Stoke (Nottinghamshire); bt A. Howitt May 2004

East Stoke is on the Foss way between Nottingham and Newark. The first numismatic indication of an Edinburgh mint situated other than in Edinburgh Castle comes with the name Abbey Crowns - referring to the gold coinage of James V introduced in 1526. Their legends also refer to the Holy Cross (Rood). Holyrood Palace, as begun by James IV, was completed in 1505, though much extended during his son's reign. The mint, apparently situated in the outer court of the palace on the south side of the Canongate, may have been established at this time. The abbey is mentioned in connection with coin dies as early as 1502 and Matthew Auchinleck, a moneyer up until 1507, was a Burgess of Canongate. [Abridged from Lord Stewartby's article 'Scottish Mints' (Mint Dies and Currency pp.244-5)]



- 1631** Groat, Holyrood Abbey mint, type IIIb (iv), bust right with mantle and corded chain, single-arched crown, seven jewels to band, strawberry-leaf decorations, small trefoil on inner circle beneath first *o* of *SCOTORVM*, rev. shield with rounded base, cross-ends E, no contraction after *r* of *EDINBRVGI*, trefoil stops both sides, 2.69g/10h (SCBI 35, -; SCBI 58, 82 and SCBI 71, 379, same dies; B 18, fig. 719, same *obv.* die; S 5378). *Small edge chip and slightly granular surfaces, about very fine* £240-£300

Provenance: W.E. Triest Collection, CNG e-Auction 429, 26 September 2018, lot 584

The vendor notes the unusual feature of this coin - the trefoil stops and obverse field-mark are a single genuine trefoil punch instead of being made up of three pallets. This is the only obverse to show this detail.



- 1632** Groat, Holyrood Abbey mint, type IIIb (v), bust right with mantle and corded chain, single-arched crown, seven jewels to band, strawberry-leaf decorations, small trefoil on inner circle beneath c of SCOTORVM, rev. shield with rounded base, cross-ends E, no contraction after R of EDINBURGI, composite reversed N, trefoil stops both sides, tiny extra pellet after S, 2.53g/1h (SCBI 35, –; SCBI 58, 87, same *obv.* die; SCBI 71, 384; B –, fig. –; S 5378). *Slightly creased, good fine or better, rare* £240-£300

An unusual reverse die with reversed N in EDINBURGI.



- 1633** Groat, Holyrood Abbey mint, type IIIc (iv), bust right with mantle and smooth chain, single-arched crown, seven jewels to band, strawberry-leaf decorations, 'squarer' hair style, rev. shield with rounded base, cross-ends E, no contraction after R of EDINBURGI, trefoil stops both sides, 2.50g/5h (cf. SCBI 35, 918-9; SCBI 58, 93ff; SCBI 71, 397ff; cf. B 3, fig. 706; S 5378). *Nearly very fine but slightly small of flan, extremely rare, the dies not represented in Stevenson's extensive die study or in the National Museums of Scotland Collection* £240-£300

Provenance: Catherine Bullowa-Moore Collection, Spink Auction 151, March 15, 2001, lot 508; bt ABC Coins and Tokens January 2020

Mary (1542-1567)



- 1634** First period, Testoon, type IIIb, 1557, mm. small cross potent on *obv.*, crown on *rev.*, wide low-arched crown, annulets below MR, 6.01g/9h (SCBI 35, 1013, same *obv.* die; SCBI 58, 344, same dies; cf. B. 18, fig. 793; S 5407). *Very fine or better, toned, but two scratches on reverse, the variety rare* £300-£400

Provenance: Bt A.D. Hamilton October 1985



- 1635** Second period (with Francis), Testoon, type II, 1560, mm. cross potent, *obv.* legend ends Q, no crosses above small crowns on *rev.*, 5.97g/5h (SCBI 35, 1092ff; SCBI 58 1026, same *rev.* die; B fig. 884; S 5417). *Two small edge splits, otherwise about very fine, toned* £500-£700

Provenance: G.F. Boyd Collection, Glendining Auction, 13-14 December 1928, lot 186 (part); R. Carlyon-Britton Collection; North Yorkshire Moors Collection, DNW Auction 168, 29 January 2020, lot 1021 [from Seaby 1965]

This variety was struck after John Hart replaced John Achesoun as mintmaster at the beginning of July 1560.

James VI (1567-1625)

Before Accession



- 1636** Seventh coinage, Ten Shillings, 1599, mm. rosette, 5.99g/8h (SCBI 35, 1266-8; SCBI 58, 1528-30; B 6, fig. 939; S 5493). *Better than very fine and lightly toned, scarce* £300-£400

Provenance: Bt A.D. Hamilton June 1978

The contract allowing the Burgh of Edinburgh to strike coin and take the profit for a payment of 1000 Merks a week terminated at the end of April 1596. The Parliament held the previous month had appointed Commissioners to draw up proposals for a new coinage but this came to nothing and minting ceased. On 2 August 1598, a new contract was drawn up allowing Thomas Foulis, goldsmith and Robert Jowsie, grocer, burgesses of Edinburgh the profits from coining for six years and the issue of the Seventh coinage was resumed.



- 1637** Eighth coinage, Thistle Merk, 1602, 6.45g/11h (SCBI 35, 1284-8; SCBI 58, 1571-82; B 3, fig. 943; S 5497). *A few marks, good fine or better* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt Glasgow 1980

A complete recoinage was decided upon at the Parliament held at Perth on 11 September 1601

After Accession



- 1638** Ninth coinage, Twelve Shillings, mm. thistle-head, reads *FRAN ET HIB REX*, *rev.* Scottish lion in second quarter only, 5.51g/3h (SCBI 35, 1364; SCBI 71, 1385ff; B 2, fig. 974, same dies; S 5505). *About fine, reverse better, toned, very rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Mark Rasmussen FPL 32, 2018 (250)

The Ninth coinage was proclaimed on 15 November 1604, bringing the Scottish coinage into line with its English counterpart. Puncheons were made in London by James Achesoun and sent to Edinburgh in June 1605, where Thomas Foulis made up the dies.



- 1639** Tenth coinage, Twelve Shillings, mm. thistle-head, reads FRAN & HIB REX, rev. Scottish lion in first and fourth quarters, smaller lettering on obv., larger on rev., 5.77g/8h (SCBI 35, 1375; SCBI 71, 1419ff; B 15, fig. 985; S 5506). *Fine, reverse good fine or better, toned, the reverse die very rare* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt ABC Coins June 2016



- 1640** Tenth coinage, Twelve Shillings, mm. thistle-head, reads FRAN & HIB REX, rev. Scottish lion in first and fourth quarters, smaller lettering on obv., larger on rev., 5.92g/5h (SCBI 35, 1375; SCBI 71, 1419ff; B 15, fig. 985; S 5506). *Slight double strike on obverse, nearly very fine and toned* £200-£300

Provenance: N.G. Brodie Collection, DNW Auction 55, 8 October 2002, lot 87

The rarity of these pieces is surprising given the length of time they were struck. Either only very small quantities were made or most of the specimens were illegally exported and replaced by a variety of foreign issues, often of reduced fineness. The composition of hoards buried later in the century tend to confirm this latter theory. The majority of provenanced examples come from English Civil war hoards. It is speculated that they were carried to England by Scottish troops taking part in the war.



- 1641** Tenth coinage, Twelve Shillings, mm. thistle-head, reads FRAN & HIB REX, rev. Scottish lion in first and fourth quarters, small lettering both sides, 5.76g/2h (SCBI 35, 1376; SCBI 71, 1419ff; cf. B 15, fig. 985; S 5506). *Fine but portrait almost flat* £80-£100

Provenance: Bt D. Stuart January 2003

Charles I (1625-1649)

First coinage



- 1642** Twelve Shillings, mm. large thistle-head on obv., small on rev., reads FRAN & HIB REX, rev. Scottish lion in first and fourth quarters, small lettering on obv., large on rev., 5.80g/1h (Murray pl. iii, 18; SCBI 35, 1413-4; B 3, fig. 998; S 5542). *Good fine but weak in portrait, reverse very fine* £200-£300

This coinage was basically a continuation of James's Tenth coinage but the portrait was slightly altered and other minor variations were introduced. The dies were produced by Charles Dickieson who would have been unsure of the King's appearance and may possibly have worked from a portrait.



- 1643** Twelve Shillings, mm. thistle-head, reads *FRAN & HIB REX*, rev. Scottish lion in first and fourth quarters, small lettering both sides, 5.85g/8h (Murray pl. iii, 18; SCBI 35, 1413-4; B 3, fig. 998; S 5542). *Slightly weak on obverse, otherwise good fine, reverse better, rare, this reverse die particularly so* £200-£300

Provenance: Bt Baldwin August 2001

The vendor knows of only two specimens struck from this reverse die.

Third coinage, Falconer's First issue



- 1644** Third coinage, Falconer's First issue, Twelve Shillings, mm. leaved thistle on *obv.* only, *F* at end of legend, 5.90g/6h (Murray 1; SCBI 35, 1508; B 42, fig. 1020; S 5561). *Nearly extremely fine but reverse die rusty* £240-£300

Provenance: DNW Auction 163, 18 September 2019, lot 1770

It seems likely that this type resulted from the Contract drawn up on 15 July 1640 ordering the collecting and coining of silver and gold to finance a war against the king. John Falconer continued to work for the Covenanters at this time, striking coinage for them until late in April 1641.

Third coinage, Falconer's Second issue



- 1645** Twelve Shillings, mm. leaved thistle (between trefoils of pellets on *obv.*), colon stops on *obv.*, reads *MAG BRIT FRAN ET HIB*, *F* and pellet above crown, small harp, 5.69g/6h (Murray 2; cf. SCBI 35, 1509ff; B -; S 5562). *Nearly very fine, a very rare variety* £200-£300

Provenance: Bt M.R. Vosper November 2004

Dies of this coinage were originally paired, and to the vendor's knowledge no die was ever used with any other than its pair.



- 1646** Twelve Shillings, mm. leaved thistle, colon stops on *obv.*, reads *MAGN BRITAN FRAN ET HIB*, *F* and pellet above crown, small harp, pellets beneath *C R*, 5.71g/7h (Murray 4; cf. SCBI 35, 1509ff; B 44, same dies; S 5563). *Nearly very fine* £200-£260

Provenance: Bt M. Trenerry November 1981

This is the only die to have pellets beneath *C R* rather than the usual lozenges. There are also some unusual letter punches - even two different *l* punches in *BRITAN* and *HIB*. The vendor comments 'it is very difficult to imagine any sensible reason for the peculiarities [of lettering] shown throughout this coinage'.

Third coinage, Falconer's Anonymous issue



- 1647** Twelve Shillings, mm. thistle-head, 5.71g/6h (Murray 5b; SCBI 35, 1522-3, same dies; B 54, fig. –; S 5564). *Slightly short of flan, nearly very fine* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt P. Finn July 2000

The vendor notes differences in the face and bust on this type - the face being slightly wider with a more rounded forehead, while the bottom section of the bust is narrower by a full 2mm. On the reverse, a different puncheon has been used for the three lis, two of the lis being damaged and overall being slightly too large for the available space. The same punch was used on the Thirty Shilling die with F (Murray 3).

Charles II (1649-1685)



- 1648** Merk, 1664, type II, leaved thistle below bust, 6.20g/12h (D 16; M 12; SCBI 35, 1575; B 1; S 5611; KM. 102.1). *Characteristic die flaw through G of GRA, a few light adjustment marks and evidence of possible mounting on reverse at 4 o'clock, otherwise about very fine, rare* £400-500

Provenance: J. Scaife Collection, Spink Auction 176, 30 November 2005, lot 511; H.E. Manville Collection, DNW Auction 132, 15 September 2015, lot 20; M. Rasmussen FPL 34 (317)



- 1649** Merk, 1675, type III, ♀ below bust, early bust, rev. mark of value inverted, 6.53g/12h (Murray 22a; cf. SCBI 35, 1594-5; B –, fig. –; S 5612). *Nearly very fine, the mark of value error rare, the bust variety extremely so* £400-£600

Provenance: J.K.R. Murray Collection, Spink Auction 57, 29 April 1987, lot 390 (part); DNW Auction 104, 5 December 2012, lot 718 (part)

The inverted mark of value is an interesting error but of no great importance or consequence. The second unusual feature is of much greater interest in that the obverse of the coin shows the First bust, which was used on all Merks from 1664 to 1671. Almost all recorded specimens from 1672 to 1675 have the Second bust. The cataloguer knows of only one other specimen from these dies, in the Manville Collection [DNW Auction 132, 15-18 September 2015, lot 68]

Anne (1702-1714)



1650 Shilling, 1708E third (second Scottish) bust, wide 0 in date (SCBI 35, 1810-11; B. 7, fig. 1089; S 5716; S 3612). *Very fine but numerous small surface marks* £150-£200

Provenance: Bt P. Finn July 2000

The Scottish post-Union coinage of 1707-09 represents the completion of the recoinage of old currency which had been carried out in England in 1696-97. At its completion in 1709, the gold and silver coinages were uniform throughout the UK, although old Scottish copper pieces continued in use for most of the 18th century.

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The buyer will be responsible for loss or damage to lots purchased from the time of collection or the expiry of 5 working days after the day of the auction, whichever is the sooner. Neither Noonans nor its servants or agents shall thereafter be responsible for any loss or damage of any kind, whether caused by negligence or otherwise, while any lot is in its custody or under its control.

Loss and damage warranty cover at the rate of 1.5% will be applied to any lots despatched by Noonans to destinations outside the UK, unless specifically instructed otherwise by the consignee.

12 Remedies for non-payment or failure to collect purchase

If any lot is not paid for in full and taken away in accordance with Conditions 6 and 10, or if there is any other breach of either of those Conditions, Noonans as agent of the seller shall, at its absolute discretion and without prejudice to any other rights it may have, be entitled to exercise one or

more of the following rights and remedies:

- (a) to proceed against the buyer for damages for breach of contract.
- (b) to rescind the sale of that or any other lots sold to the defaulting buyer at the same or any other auction.
- (c) to re-sell the lot or cause it to be re-sold by public auction or private sale and the defaulting buyer shall pay to Noonans any resulting deficiency in the 'total amount due' (after deduction of any part payment and addition of re-sale costs) and any surplus shall belong to the seller.
- (d) to remove, store and insure the lot at the expense of the defaulting buyer and, in the case of storage, either at Noonans' premises or elsewhere.
- (e) to charge interest at a rate not exceeding 2 percent per month on the 'total amount due' to the extent it remains unpaid for more than 5 working days after the day of the auction.
- (f) to retain that or any other lot sold to the same buyer at the sale or any other auction and release it only after payment of the 'total amount due'.
- (g) to reject or ignore any bids made by or on behalf of the defaulting buyer at any future auctions or obtaining a deposit before accepting any bids in future.
- (h) to apply any proceeds of sale then due or at any time thereafter becoming due to the defaulting buyer towards settlement of the 'total amount due' and to exercise a lien on any property of the defaulting buyer which is in Noonans' possession for any purpose.

13 Liability of Noonans and sellers

(a) Goods auctioned are usually of some age. All goods are sold with all faults and imperfections and errors of description. Illustrations in catalogues are for identification only. Buyers should satisfy themselves prior to the sale as to the condition of each lot and should exercise and rely on their own judgement as to whether the lot accords with its description. Subject to the obligations accepted by Noonans under this Condition, none of the seller, Noonans, its servants or agents is responsible for errors of descriptions or for the genuineness or authenticity of any lot. No warranty whatever is given by Noonans, its servants or agents, or any seller to any buyer in respect of any lot and any express or implied conditions or warranties are hereby excluded.

(b) Any lot which proves to be a 'deliberate forgery' may be returned by the buyer to Noonans within 15 days of the date of the auction in the same condition in which it was at the time of the auction, accompanied by a statement of defects, the number of the lot, and the date of the auction at which it was purchased. If Noonans is satisfied that the item is a 'deliberate forgery' and that the buyer has and is able to transfer a good and marketable title to the lot free from any third party claims, the sale will be set aside and any amount paid in respect of the lot will be refunded, provided that the buyer shall have no rights under this Condition if:

- (i) the description in the catalogue at the date of the sale was in accordance with the then generally accepted opinion of scholars and experts or fairly indicated that there was a conflict of such opinion; or
- (ii) the only method of establishing at the date of publication of the catalogue that the lot was a

'deliberate forgery' was by means of scientific processes not generally accepted for use until after publication of the catalogue or a process which was unreasonably expensive or impractical.

(c) A buyer's claim under this Condition shall be limited to any amount paid in respect of the lot and shall not extend to any loss or damage suffered or expense incurred by him or her.

(d) The benefit of the Condition shall not be assignable and shall rest solely and exclusively in the buyer who, for the purpose of this condition, shall be and only be the person to whom the original invoice is made out by Noonans in respect of the lot sold.

CONDITIONS MAINLY CONCERNING SELLERS AND CONSIGNORS

14 Warranty of title and availability

The seller warrants to Noonans and to the buyer that he or she is the true owner of the property or is properly authorised to sell the property by the true owner and is able to transfer good and marketable title to the property free from any third party claims. The seller will indemnify Noonans, its servants and agents and the buyer against any loss or damage suffered by either in consequence of any breach on the part of the seller.

15 Reserves

The seller shall be entitled to place, prior to the first day of the auction, a reserve at or below the low estimate on any lot provided that the low estimate is more than £100. Such reserve being the minimum 'hammer price' at which that lot may be treated as sold. A reserve once placed by the seller shall not be changed without the consent of Noonans. Noonans may at their option sell at a 'hammer price' below the reserve but in any such cases the sale proceeds to which the seller is entitled shall be the same as they would have been had the sale been at the reserve. Where a reserve has been placed, only the auctioneer may bid on behalf of the seller.

16 Authority to deduct commission and expenses

The seller authorises Noonans to deduct commission at the 'stated rate' and 'expenses' from the 'hammer price' and acknowledges Noonans' right to retain the premium payable by the buyer.

17 Rescission of sale

If before Noonans remit the 'sale proceeds' to the seller, the buyer makes a claim to rescind the sale that is appropriate and Noonans is of the opinion that the claim is justified, Noonans is authorised to rescind the sale and refund to the buyer any amount paid to Noonans in respect of the lot.

18 Payment of sale proceeds

Noonans shall remit the 'sale proceeds' to the seller 35 days after the auction, but if by that date Noonans has not received the 'total amount due' from the buyer then Noonans will remit the sale proceeds within five working days after the date on which the 'total amount due' is received from the buyer. If credit terms have been agreed between Noonans and the buyer, Noonans shall remit to the seller the sale proceeds 35 days after the auction unless otherwise agreed by the seller.

19 If the buyer fails to pay to Noonans the 'total amount due' within 35 days after the auction, Noonans will endeavour to notify the seller and take the seller's instructions as to the appropriate course of action and, so far as in Noonans' opinion is practicable, will assist the seller to recover the

'total amount due' from the buyer. If circumstances do not permit Noonans to take instructions from the seller, the seller authorises Noonans at the seller's expense to agree special terms for payment of the 'total amount due', to remove, store and insure the lot sold, to settle claims made by or against the buyer on such terms as Noonans shall in its absolute discretion think fit, to take such steps as are necessary to collect monies due by the buyer to the seller and if necessary to rescind the sale and refund money to the buyer if appropriate.

20 If, notwithstanding that, the buyer fails to pay to Noonans the 'total amount due' within 35 days after the auction and Noonans remits the 'sale proceeds' to the seller, the ownership of the lot shall pass to Noonans.

21 Charges for withdrawn lots

Where a seller cancels instructions for sale, Noonans reserve the right to charge a fee of 15% of Noonans' then latest middle estimate of the auction price of the property withdrawn, together with Value Added Tax thereon if the seller is resident in the UK, and 'expenses' incurred in relation to the property.

22 Rights to photographs and illustrations

The seller gives Noonans full and absolute right to photograph and illustrate any lot placed in its hands for sale and to use such photographs and illustrations and any photographs and illustrations provided by the seller at any time at its absolute discretion (whether or not in connection with the auction).

23 Unsold lots

Where any lot fails to sell, Noonans shall notify the seller accordingly. The seller shall make arrangements either to re-offer the lot for sale or to collect the lot.

24 Noonans reserve the right to charge commission up to one-half of the 'stated rates' calculated on the 'bought-in price' and in addition 'expenses' in respect of any unsold lots.

GENERAL CONDITIONS AND DEFINITIONS

25 Noonans sells as agent for the seller (except where it is stated wholly or partly to own any lot as principal) and as such is not responsible for any default by seller or buyer.

26 Any representation or statement by Noonans, in any catalogue as to authorship, attribution, genuineness, origin, date, age, provenance, condition or estimated selling price is a statement of opinion only. Every person interested should exercise and rely on his or her own judgement as to such matters and neither Noonans nor its servants or agents are responsible for the correctness of such opinions.

27 Whilst the interests of prospective buyers are best served by attendance at the auction, Noonans will, if so instructed, execute bids on their behalf. Neither Noonans nor its servants or agents are responsible for any neglect or default in doing so or for failing to do so.

28 Noonans shall have the right, at its discretion, to refuse admission to its premises or attendance at its auctions by any person.

29 Noonans has absolute discretion without giving any reason to refuse any bid, to divide any lot, to combine any two or more lots, to withdraw any lot from the auction and in case of dispute to put

up any lot for auction again.

30 (a) Any indemnity under these Conditions shall extend to all actions, proceedings costs, expenses, claims and demands whatever incurred or suffered by the person entitled to the benefit of the indemnity.

(b) Noonans declares itself to be a trustee for its relevant servants and agents of the benefit of every indemnity under these Conditions to the extent that such indemnity is expressed to be for the benefit of its servants and agents.

31 Any notice by Noonans to a seller, consignor, prospective bidder or buyer may be given by first class mail, airmail or email and if so given shall be deemed to have been duly received by the addressee within 48 hours.

32 These Conditions shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law. All transactions to which these Conditions apply and all matters connected therewith shall also be governed by English law. Noonans hereby submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts and all other parties concerned hereby submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

33 In these Conditions:

(a) 'catalogue' includes any advertisement, brochure, estimate, price list or other publication;

(b) 'hammer price' means the price at which a lot is knocked down by the auctioneer to the buyer;

(c) 'total amount due' means the 'hammer price' in respect of the lot sold together with any premium, Value Added Tax chargeable and additional charges and expenses due from a defaulting buyer in pounds sterling;

(d) 'deliberate forgery' means an imitation made with the intention of deceiving as to authorship, origin, date, age, period, culture or source which is not shown to be such in the description in the catalogue and which at the date of the sale had a value materially less than it would have had if it had been in accordance with that description;

(e) 'sale proceeds' means the net amount due to the seller being the 'hammer price' of the lot sold less commission at the 'stated rates' and 'expenses' and any other amounts due to Noonans by the seller in whatever capacity and howsoever arising;

(f) 'stated rate' means Noonans' published rates of commission for the time and any Value Added Tax thereon;

(g) 'expenses' in relation to the sale of any lot means Noonans charges and expenses for insurance, illustrations, special advertising, certification, remedials, packing and freight of that lot and any Value Added Tax thereon;

(h) 'bought-in price' means 5 per cent more than the highest bid received below the reserve.

34 Vendors' commission of sales

A commission of 15% is payable by the vendor on the hammer price on lots sold.

Insurance is charged at 1.5% of the hammer price.

35 VAT

Commission, illustrations, insurance and expenses are subject to VAT if the seller is resident in the UK.

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