

British Sigillography Collection

Princeton Series: 15th C. and Later Seals

Item Number: 1

Title

Initials T.M.

Physical Description

bronze 17th century seal with the letters "T M" separated by a sprig; very good condition; trefoil handle

Period: 16th c *Dealer:* Stigs-Antiquities, Mr. C.R. Clarke, Mildenhall, Suffolk, England

Notes

Provenance

found by a metal detectorist in Norfolk, England



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Title

Bronze Seal Matrix of Tri-Lobed Type With Sprig and the Initials L. I.

Physical Description

bronze; 1 inch high by .5 inches wide; nice greenish-brown patina and very clear image

Period: 16th c. *Dealer:* Den of Antiquity, Haddenham, Cambridgeshire, U.K.

Notes

Provenance



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Item Number: 3

Title

Initials E. F.

Physical Description

bronze seal matrix with a tri-lobe handle; top of top lobe is broken off; clear sprig in the center separating the initials "E F"

Period: 16th C. *Dealer:* Antique store a stone's throw from Shakespeare's birthplace

Notes

A typical 16th century personal initial seal with the initials E. F. found in the midlands, probably not far from Stratford-On-Avon where it was sold. A plant sprig runs down the center of the seal separating the two letters of the initial.

Provenance



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Item Number: 4

Title

Hewit Family Shield

Physical Description

Silver seal matrix with ornamental top. 1.1 inches in height.

Period: 17th C. *Dealer:* Ancient & Oriental

Notes

The device shows a shield containing three birds between a chevron. Appears to be the shield of the Hewitt Family. Researched and authenticated by Mr. John Cherry of the British Museum.

Provenance



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Item Number: 5

Title

Bronze and Intaglio Glass Seal With Bust of English Nobleman

Physical Description

1" H. - Base: 3/4"x11/16" (2.2 x 2 x 1.7 cm.)

Period: 1640? *Dealer:* Artemission.com item 11.1005

Notes

A gilt bronze dome-shaped seal, containing an oval topaz coloured glass intaglio, engraved in the finest and most precise way with the bust of an English nobleman of the time of Cromwell. The man, who wears a suit of armor and a broad collar of the period, was perhaps a general. Details of his face and hair all very clearly and precisely defined.

Provenance



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Item Number: 6

Title

Georgian Merchant's Seal

Physical Description

copper? Seal with with decorative open scroll type handle and image of three masted sailing ship

Period: 18th C. *Dealer:* Steve Ellis, Dunblane, Perthshire, England (via e-bay)

Notes

A Georgian 18th century merchant's seal found in Shropshire, England. Typical Georgian ornamental top with an image of a three-masted sailing ship.

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Item Number: 7

Title

19th Century Heraldic Seal

Physical Description

seal matrix of white metal; 1 inch high and in superb condition; coat of arms impression is finely detailed and very clear

Period: 19th C. *Dealer:* C. Hall, West Sussex, England

Notes

The seal displays a coat of arms.

Provenance



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Item Number: 8

Title

Manders Family Crest

Physical Description

steel engraved block with short handle; approximately 1.5 inches square; short round steel handle; including red cardboard box from engraver

Period: 19th C. *Dealer:* Mostly Boxes in Eton, England

Notes

A late nineteenth century armorial seal engraved in steel showing the crest of the Manders Family. The matrix is contained in a red cardboard box from the manufacturer, "F.G. Thomas, Ltd. Heraldic Stationers, Liverpool & Sheffield." Two handwritten notes inside explain the family associations.

Provenance



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Item Number: 9

Title

[seal matrix] Merchant's Seal Ring

Physical Description

Silver; about 1 inch in diameter

Period: 15th C. *Dealer:* John Cummings Ltd.; item #7741

Notes

A large silver merchant's seal ring, the oval bezel decorated with a crowned 'W' shape with a star below. 14th or 15th century

Provenance

probably London



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Title

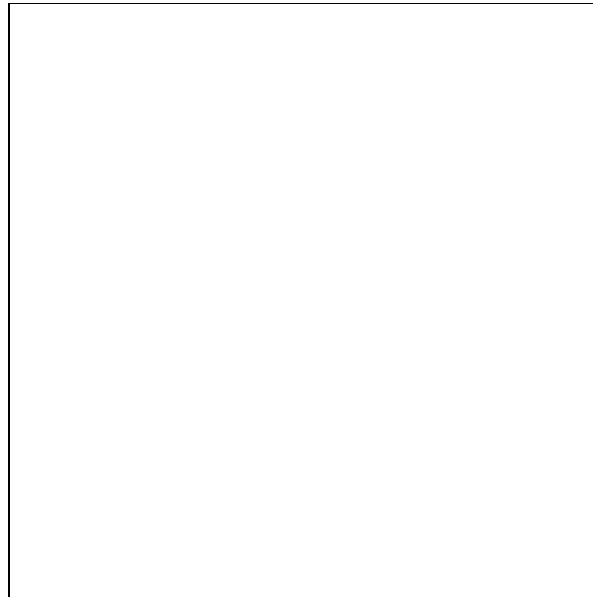
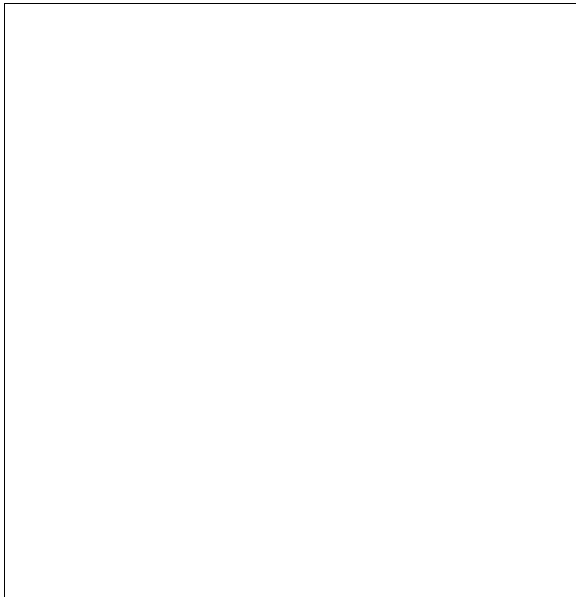
18th Century Glass Intaglio Seal with Head of Man

Physical Description

Period: 18th C *Dealer:*

Notes

Provenance



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Item Number: 11

Title

Head of a Stag

Physical Description

Bronze pedastal seal in a 16th C. style with a central device of a stag; 14 cm. across the face and 29 cm. tall;

Period: 16th C *Dealer:* Moore Antiquities, Bognor Regis, West Sussex, United Kingdom

Notes

Head of a stag. This seal, though in a 16th century style, may well be 18th century Georgian due to the absence of initials.

Provenance

