Twelfth Session, Commencing at 11.30 am

ORDERS, DECORATIONS & MEDALS

BRITISH SINGLES



3188*

Naval General Service Medal 1793-1840, - clasp - Boat Service 21 July 1801. James Morice. Engraved and renamed. Incorrect ribbon, some small scratches behind neck, otherwise good very fine, only seven of this clasp awarded.

Together with research.

James Morice, Yeoman of Sheets, Uranie, Boat Service 21 July 1801 authorised ADM 36 14622 and ADM 36 14623. This clasp was awarded for cutting out the French corvette Chevrette in Camaret Bay, a small bay on the north coast of Brittany near the French port of Brest.



3189*

Crimea Medal 1854-56, - clasp - Sebastopol. Stoker 2nd Cl: W.Henderson. H.M.S. R. Albert. Impressed. *No ribbon, nicely toned, good extremely fine.*

\$250



3190

New Zealand Cross 1869, an official replica by P&F Ltd in 18ct gold and sterling silver, with brooch bar, reverse centre marked, 'Replica 49', being a limited edition made officially in the 1980s from original dies. *In original case of issue, uncirculated and scarce only 67 issued.*

\$900

Originally 200 replica crosses were to be produced by the New Zealand Mint for the New Zealand Coin & Medal Co Ltd in 1982 but only 67 were completed. Refer to the book titled 'The New Zealand Cross: The Rarest Bravery Award in the World' by Dr. Brian L. Kieran.

3191

Singles: Egypt Medal 1882-89, (1882 reverse); Royal Scots Guards unofficial medal made from a DSC. 1420. Pte. J.W.Beverley. Aux: C. & T.C. on first medal, second medal unnamed. The named medal engraved. *The first with edge nick, contact marks and suspender re-attached at some time, otherwise fine - very fine.*

\$120

Said to be entitled to clasp for Tel-el-Kebir. Together with photos of the Scots Guards' medal.



3192*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with clear ghost dates), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Relief of Ladysmith, Transvaal. 4948 Pte M.Brennen, 2:R.Scots Fus: Impressed. *Dark and gold toning, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$150

3193

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - two clasps - Cape Colony, Transvaal. 2863 Pte J.Young Rl.Irish Fus. Impressed. *Some edge knocks, contact marks in fields, nearly fine.*

\$600

Pte J.Young, 1st Royal Irish Fusiliers; KIA 16Jul1900 Riet Vlei. Together with two pages of research.

3194

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - four clasps - Talana, Defence of Ladysmith, Orange Free State, Transvaal. 4450 Pte C.Asden Rl.Irish Fus. Impressed. *Nearly uncirculated*.

\$650

Pte Charles Asden, 1 Royal Irish Fusiliers (Princess Victoria's); Missing/KIA 17Sep1901 Blood River, Poort.

Together with five pages of research.



3195*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - two clasps -Transvaal, South Africa 1902. 6661. Corp. T.Scott. 2/Bn R.S.Fusrs. Engraved. A few small edge nicks and some hairlines, clasps have been altered, otherwise good very fine.

\$100

With basic research.



3196*

King's South Africa Medal 1902, - two clasps - South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902. 1595 Pte A.Gray. Rifle Brigade. Impressed. *Clasps remounted, otherwise very fine - good very fine*.

\$50

3197

Singles, clasps and suspension fittings, includes King's South Africa Medal 1902, - two clasps - South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902, naming mostly erased; Coronation Medal 1902 in bronze, unnamed and with broken suspender and no ribbon; British War Medal 1914-18 (2), impressed naming to 70 Dvr F.H.Cropley. 1/F. Amb. A.I.F. and 189217 Gnr. J.R.Dennis. R.A.; Victory Medal 1914-19 (4), impressed naming to 104555 Pte. T.L. Tidmarsh R.A.M.C., and 54521 Pte. J.B.Armstrong. R.A.M.C., and 41202 Spr. A.E.Eden. R.E., and 203578 Pnr. E.Davies. R.E.; 1939-45 Star (2), one unnamed and the other with name erased and no ribbon; Africa Star, unnamed and no ribbon; clasps for (Punjab Medal 1848-49) Mooltan; (Afghanistan Medal 1878-80) Ahmed Khel; Kandahar; (Queen's South Africa Medal 1899) Cape Colony; Relief of Mafeking; Defence of Kimberley; Orange Free State; Johannesburg; Transvaal; Wittebergen; South Africa 1901; South Africa 1902; (India General Service Medal 1908-35) North West Frontier 1935; MM Bar; various suspenders (9) including Scinde Medal 1843 and India Mutiny 1857-58, also another suspender missing cross bar and other suspension bits and pieces. Fine - very fine. (lot)

\$300

3198

Singles: King's South Africa Medal 1902, - two clasps - South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902; British War Medal 1914-18; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19; Military Cross (GRI) miniature, an early issue with pin-back ribbon suspension. 7224 Pt. W.G.Wood Rl Scots on first medal, 656519 Pte. H.E.Reed. 21-Lond. R. on second medal, 16766. F. Sgt. H.J.Deadman. R.A.F. on third medal, 48180. Pte. 1. E.J.Mead. R.A.F. on fourth medal. The first engraved and renamed, the second to fourth medals impressed. Four single medals and one miniature, extremely fine - nearly uncirculated.

\$150

3199

India General Service Medal 1908-35, (GVR Kaisar-I-Hind), - clasp - Mahsud 1919-20. 1017 Sepoy Mohd Noor 2/152 PJBIs. Engraved in upright capitals and appears to be some adjustments in places. *No ribbon, hairlines, slight bow in clasp, otherwise good very fine.*

\$50

3200

India General Service Medal 1908-35, (GVR Kaisar-I-Hind),
clasp - Waziristan 1919-21. 2360 Sr. Parkash Singh. 16
Cavy. Impressed. No ribbon, good fine.

3201

British War Medal 1914-18. 146709 Pte. W.H.Hurst. M.G.C. Impressed. *Nicely toned, nearly uncirculated.*

\$50

3202

Singles: Victory Medal 1914-19. M2-182225 Pte. A.Whiterod. A.S.C. Impressed; Africa Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45. These three all unnamed. *Four single medals, good very fine - extremely fine.*

\$60

M2 prefix on first medal indicates an electrician in the Army Service Corps.



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3203*

Singles: 1939-45 Star; Air Crew Europe Star; Africa Star; Pacific Star; Burma Star; Italy Star; France and Germany Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45. All unnamed. *Nine single medals, mostly toned, the third last medal cleaned and any reverse details erased, otherwise very fine - extremely fine.*

\$400

3204

Singles: France and Germany Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45. All unnamed. *Three single medals, toned, otherwise very fine - extremely fine.*

\$50



3205*

Royal Naval Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, (GVR type 2 with swivelling suspender). 226372. E.W.Setter. P.O. H.M.S. Victory. Impressed. *Toned, some contact marks, otherwise very fine.*

\$100

3206

Single replica medals, includes The Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Member (MBE) (Civil); Victoria Cross; Military Cross (GRI); Military Medal (GVR) with three Bars; Khedives's Star 1884-86; China War Medal 1900; General Service Medal 1918-62 (EIIR), - clasp - Malaya; Korea Medal 1950-53; Vietnam Medal 1964-73; Vietnam Logistic and Support Medal 1964-68; Army Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (EIIR) with Australia suspender; Efficiency Medal (EIIR) with Australia suspender; also Australia Service Medal 1939-45 named to N72907 E.B.Lennox-Matthews. Thirteen medals, the first, second, third, fifth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth with plain reverses and four of these marked Copy, the named medal impressed but appears to be a replica medal, very fine - uncirculated.

\$170

BRITISH GROUPS



3207

Group of Six: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - five clasps - Relief of Kimberley, Paardeberg, Driefontein, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill; 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19 with MID; Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (GVR); Meritorius Service Medal (GVR). 5698 Pte E.Bennett Welsh Regt on first medal, S.Condr.E.Bennett S & T Corps on second, S-Condr.E.Bennett S.T.C. on third and fourth medals, the third possibly officially renamed, Condr.E.Bennett I.A.S.C. on fifth medal, last medal unnamed. Named medals impressed. Very fine.

\$650

Together with MID certificate, 10th April 1917, with folds, two holes and water stain.



3208*

Pair: Coronation Medal 1902 (Metropolitan Police), in bronze; Coronation Medal 1911 (Metropolitan Police), in silver. P.C. A.Howard. 1st Div. on first medal, P.C. A.Howard. on second medal. Both medals engraved. *Toned, good very fine.*

\$100



3209*

DCM Group of Four: Distinguished Conduct Medal (GVR type 1); 1914 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 21912 Cpl. J.Donovan. 110/Hvy:Bty: R.G.A. on first medal, 21912 Bmbr: J.Donovan. R.G.A. on second medal, 21912 Bmbr. J.Donovan. R.A. on last two medals. All medals impressed. *A combination of dark and gold toning, otherwise fine - good very fine.*

\$1,000

Together with an additional British War Medal 1914-18 with impressed naming to Lieut. J.Donovan (judging by the medal toning, presumably the same person as above).

DCM:Supplement to LG 11/3/1916, p2666 to 21912 Corporal J.Donovan, 110th Heavy Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Citation: For conspicuous gallantry and ability in the performance of his duties, under heavy shell fire, in the Forward Observing stations. On a few occasions, owing to the shortage of officers, he has acted as sole observer and directed the fire of his battery effectively.

With copy of Gazette pages.



3210*

MM and Bar Group of Four: Military Medal (GVR type 1) with Bar; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19; France, Croix de Guerre 1914-1915 with Palm. 20484 Pte B.T.Platt. 5/W.York.R. on first medal, 20484 Pte. B.T.Platt W.York.R. on second and third medals, last medal unnamed as issued. All named medals impressed. Golden brown and dark irregular toning on first two, otherwise very fine.

\$1,500

20484 Pte Berto Thomas Platt 2/5th Bn West Yorkshire Regiment and then 55731 4th Bn York & Lancaster Regiment.

MM: Supplement to LG 11/2/1919, p2104 to 20484 Pte Platt, B.T., 5th Bn (Homerton).

Bar to MM: Supplement to LG 11/2/19, p2087 to 55731 Pte B.T. Platt, M.M., 4th Bn, York & Lanc. R. (formerly 20484 W. York. R.) (Homerton) Note: (M.M.s gazetted in present Gazette) (see above).

C de G with Palm: Gazette entry not located.

With copies of Gazette pages.

3211

Pair: British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. M-282911 Pte. E.Rolfe. A.S.C. Both medals impressed. *Swing mounted, good very fine.*

\$100

Together with King's Silver War badge, reverse numbered B254870; swing mounted group of five miniatures for General Service Medal (GVIR) with Cyprus and Malaya clasps, Korea pair with MID, Coronation 1953 and RAF LS&GC; riband bars (2, 2 and 3); RAF officer's forage cap badge (KC) in gilt; Warrant Officer's gilt crown; RAF Fighter Squadron 151 lapel badge (KC) in gilt and enamel; RAF 100 Squadron lapel badge (QC) in gilt and enamel; Edward VIII Coronation medal, 1937, in white metal (38mm), with ribbon; Burnbank Bowling Club Glasgow badge in gilt and enamel.

3212

Pair: British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 2067 Pte. A.Wilson. A.& S.H. Both medals impressed. *Very fine - good very fine*.

\$80

Pte A.Wilson, age 20, enlisted and served for 2 years 2 months including 8 months with Field Force.

With basic research

Australian Born British Diplomat WWII In Charge of Political Intelligence Department Then Ambassador to Greek Government



part

3213*

Group of Four: Ordinary Knight Grand Cross of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (GBE) breast star type 2 and neck badge; Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George (KCMG) breast star and also neck badge; Jubilee Medal 1935; Coronation Medal 1937. All honours and medals unnamed as issued. The KCMG and GBE awards in cases of issue, the last two medals swing mounted with a plain, wide maroon ribbon at the front for affixing an honour award. A few tiny chips or edge cracks on two arms on obverse of KCMG neck badge, otherwise good very fine - extremely fine.

\$7,000

Together with two broad shoulder ribbons for GBE, one long and one short with a bow; swing mounted miniature group for KBE, CMG, Jubilee Medal 1935 and Coronation Medal 1937.

Bestowal documents in order of date of issue, as follows.

- 1. Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George, to Reginald Wildig Allen Leeper Esq. C.B.E., signed by King Edward VIII dated 5th February 1936 in the first year of His reign and with impressed seal of the Order. Together with a letter from the Chancery that accompanied the bestowal document.
- 2. Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George, to Reginald Wildig Allen Leeper Esq. C.M.G., C.B.E., our Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary in Athens, signed by King George VI dated 1st February 1945 in ninth year of His reign and with impressed seal of the Order.
- 3. Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George, to Reginald Wildig Allen Leeper Esq. C.M.G. C.B.E., our Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary in Athens, signed by King George VI dated 1st March 1945 in ninth year of His reign and with impressed seal of the Order.
- 4. Ordinary Knight Grand Cross of the Civil Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire to Reginald Wildig Allen Leeper Esq. K.C.M.G. C.B.E., signed by King George VI dated 10th June 1948 and with impressed seal of the Order.

Other documents include,

- 1. Letter under HM command signed by King George V appointing Trusty and Well-beloved Reginald Wildig Allen Leeper, Esquire, CBE to be Acting First Secretary of Our Diplomatic Service at Our Legation at Warsaw, dated 15th July 1923 with impressed Royal Seal in two places.
- 2. Appointment Document signed by King George V appointing Reginald Wildig Allen Leeper CBE to be a Counsellor of Embassy in Diplomatic Service at any of Our Embassies or Legations abroad, dated 22 August 1933 in 24th year of His reign.
- 3. A typed foolscap size letter (3pp) dated 3rd March 1949 from Ernest Bevin (signed personally by him and at that time Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs) to His Excellency Sir Reginald Leeper, G.B.E., K.C.M.G. on the occasion of his retirement written under command of the King to convey to him an expression of his thanks for the outstanding services he had rendered during his distinguished career and his regret that he was leaving his service
- 4. Birth Certificate issued in NSW Australia on 5 May 1953 stating that baby (unnamed) (later named Reginald Wildig Allen Leeper) was born 15 March 1888 at Toxteth Park, Glebe; father: Alexander Leeper, Warden, Trinity College, Melbourne, age 39, born at Dublin, Ireland; mother: Adeline Marian Allen, age 35, born at Sydney, NSW; married 30 December 1879 at Glebe, NSW; witness: Dr. (Robert) Scot Skirving, and Mrs Dolan; Registrar: F.W.Artlett.
- 5. Booklet titled Statutes of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, dated 27th January, 1923, soft cover, 42pp.
- 6. Booklet titled The Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George Annual Service in St Paul's cathedral to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Order Wednesday, July 24th, 1968 11.30 a.m., soft cover, 20pp.
- 7. Book titled When Greek Meets Greek by Sir Reginald Leeper G.B.E., K.C.M.G., 1950, published in London and Canada, hard cover, 244pp with b&w illustrations, signed on the front fly leaf by the author. This book is the writer's personal recollections of his assignments in Greece during the civil war in the 1940s and includes his interactions with Prime Minister Churchill and other prominent people to resolve the issue including Churchill's visits to Greece for meetings with the Greek government and the communist resistance leaders and the eventual restoration of the Greek monarchy although shortly after another guerrilla war broke out between the government and communist rebels.
- 8. Certificate from the Greek Government dated 6 March 1946.
- 9. Diaries of R.W.A.Leeper kept during the war years and includes,
- a) Jan 1 Dec 31, 1940 handwritten daily in a Hub Diary 1940 with hard leather cover.
- b) June December 1941, pp1-147, typed manuscripts of entries.
- c) Jan 1, 1942 Feb 4, 1943 (1942, pp1-63, 1943, pp1-5), typed manuscripts of entries. Some of the entries include details of meetings with Prime Minister Churchill, Sir Alexander Cadogan, Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs (1938-46), Lord Halifax, British Foreign Secretary at start of WWII, Sir Fitzroy Maclean, 2nd Secretary in Foreign Office at start of WWII (speculated to be the inspiration for James Bond 007 novels), Hugh Dalton, Minister of Economic Warfare in Churchill's wartime cabinet, also meetings with BBC radio regarding propaganda broadcasts, and many others. He also writes of various air raid experiences in London.
- 10. British Political Intelligence Department monthly summaries on the progress of the war produced under the name R.A.Leeper (note the variation of his initials). These documents, all on foolscap size paper, include,
- a) First Month of the War, 4th October 1939 (7 typed pages).
- b) First Two Months of the War, October 27, 1939 (4 printed pages).
- c) Third Month of the War, November 28, 1939 (3 printed pages).
- d) Europe After Four Months of War, December 26, 1939 (5 printed and 11 typed pages).
- 11. Letters to Lady Leeper offering condolences on the death of her husband and tributes to his service. The letters are from (Baron) P.H.Gore-Booth of the Foreign Office; Sir Paul Sinker, Director-General of the British Council (Sir Reginald Leeper was an originator of the Council); and Dr Robin L.Sharwood, Warden of Trinity College, Victoria, Australia (Sir Reginald Leeper's father was the first Warden of Trinity College and later Reginald was a student).
- 12. Two b&w photos of Sir Reginald Leeper.

CMG: Supplement to LG 1/1/1936, p6.

KCMG: LG No.36993, 20/3/1945, p1509.

GBE: Supplement to LG 10/6/1948, p3383.



Sir Reginald 'Rex' Wildig Allen Leeper GBE, KCMG was born at Glebe, a suburb of Sydney, New South Wales on 25 March 1888. His father was Alexander Leeper, a renowned educationalist and publicist born in Dublin, Ireland on 3 June 1848 and first Warden of Trinity College and founder of the collegiate system in the University of Melbourne in Victoria, Australia. Read his lengthy biography in the Australian Dictionary of Biography, Volume 10, (MUP), 1986. Reginald Leeper was educated at Melbourne Grammar School and Melbourne's Trinity College from where he graduated with honours in the classics, Italian and Japanese. He then completed his studies at New College, the University of Oxford in England.

Reginald Leeper worked at the Intelligence Bureau of the Department of Information during WWI and also served for a short time at the Political Intelligence Department. He entered the British Diplomatic Service in 1920 on the recommendation of H.A.L. Fisher, an English historian, educator and Liberal politician. His natural ability and personal qualities saw him develop a good name for himself in the Foreign Office and this reputation was enhanced by his first overseas appointments at Warsaw, Riga and Constantinople. He acted as Charge d'Affaires in Warsaw, Poland on three occasions during 1923 and 1924 and again in 1927 and 1928 and also was in charge of His Majesty's Legation at Durazzo, Albania for part of 1927. During his time in Poland, Reginald Leeper made a rapid grasp of the Polish language and had the ability to make personal contacts in every important circle in Poland and he also became an acknowledged expert on the complex Polish-Lithuanian situation.

In 1929 Leeper returned to the Foreign Office as Head of the News Department and four years later was promoted to the rank of Counsellor. He was largely responsible for the creation of the British Council and for the institution of the foreign language broadcasts of the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC). In 1939 he was to be appointed as His Majesty's Minister at Bucharest in Rumania but due to the outbreak of war this was not possible so instead he was placed in charge of the Political Intelligence Department of the Foreign Office wherein he built up a team of expert and enthusiastic propagandists who, under his wise guidance, did much to undermine the morale of the enemy. As Ernest Bevin wrote, 'Your handling of the personal and administrative problems presented by so large and heterogeneous a community, working under the abnormal conditions imposed by total war, cannot be allowed to pass without a word of sincere appreciation.'

In 1943, Reginald Leeper was appointed Ambassador to the Greek Government first in London, later in Cairo and finally in Athens. This was a period fraught with difficulties, sufficient to test the skill and patience of the most accomplished diplomat. During this period he succeeded in carrying out His majesty's Government's policy of moderation, in the face of unfair criticism, Greek dissensions and sporadic civil war. He fought hard for reconciliation and finally had the satisfaction of seeing Greece well on the way to holding the elections which enabled the Greek people to elect a Parliament of their own choosing (see his book, When Greek Meets Greek, detailing his experiences during this tumultuous period in Greece).

In May 1946 he was appointed Ambassador to the Argentine Government at a time when the state of Anglo-Argentine relations called for diplomatic skill of a very high order. He played a great part in bringing about the successful conclusion of the Eady-Miranda Trade Agreement of September 1946 and in carrying through the sale to the Argentine Government of the British-owned railways in Argentine. He witnessed the signing of the Andes Agreement by President Juan Peron in 1948.

Sir Reginald Wigram Allen Leeper GBE, KCMG retired from the diplomatic service in that same year and became a director and Chairman of the London Committee of De Beers Consolidated Mines. He died on 2 February 1968. His brother, Alexander Wigram Allen Leeper was also a distinguished British diplomat.

With research and copies of Gazette entries.

CBE Group to Australian Mining Engineer for Services to the Nigerian Mining Industry



3214*

Group of Five: The Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Commander (CBE) (Civil) neck badge (type 2); 1939-45 Star; France and Germany Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45. All medals unnamed. The first with neck ribbon and the rest swing mounted. *Very fine - extremely fine.*

\$800

Together with case for CBE by Garrard & Co Ltd, and with Instructions for Wearing; a swing mounted matching set of miniatures with the Order mounted in the group as a breast badge; a sterling silver serving tray (1.14kg), hallmarked for Sheffield 1962 by maker, Poston Products, with four short legs, inscribed in the centre, 'J.L.Farrington, C.B.E./Presented by/The Nigerian Chamber of Mines', and around this are the signatures in relief of the 16 presenters; golf trophy marked on side, 'Angus Butler Golf Cup/J.L.Farrington/1964', hallmarked for London 1963 by maker, Poston Products, golfer on top of trophy broken loose and needs repairing (the figure is inside the cup) (Note: The cup is named in honour of Angus Butler who laid out the golf course at Rayfield, Jos, Nigeria in 1913 and was the first Club Captain. The annual tournament for the trophy was held from 1948 to 1975); British Passport for Southern Rhodesia valid to 21 November 1939 and named to John Leonard Farrington, Geologist, born at Sydney NSW on 14.6.1906 and domiciled in S.Rhodesia, with his photo and various visa stamps for different countries.

CBE: Fourth Supplement to LG 1/1/1964, p44 - on the advice of Her Majesty's Nigerian Ministers to Jack Farrington, Esq, For services to the tin mining industry.

John 'Jack' Leonard Farrington was born on 14 June 1906 in Sydney, Australia, to English parents. He grew up in Fiji, where his father who was a doctor died in 1915. The following year his mother moved the family to Canada, where she was appointed Matron at the Provincial Home for Incurables at Marpole in Vancouver. Jack was educated at public and high schools in Vancouver, British Columbia and then at the University of British Columbia graduating as a Bachelor of Applied Science in May 1928, with 1st class honours in mining engineering. In his third year at university he was awarded its Dunamuir Scholarship for highest standing in mining engineering.

After graduation, his profession was that of a field and mining geologist, in sub-Saharan Africa. From June 1928 to May 1931 he was a field geologist with Loangwa Concessions in Northern Rhodesia (present-day Zambia). From May 1931 to July 1936 he was in Southern Rhodesia (present-day Zimbabwe), working for the Gold Fields Rhodesian Development Company, for valuation and development of prospects, and as the only geologist at the Wanderer Mine. He looked at the Kakemega goldfield in Kenya, then enjoying a gold rush, but did not stay. From July 1936 to November 1937 he became an assistant geologist at the head office of New Consolidated Goldfields, at Johannesburg, South Africa. Moving to the Gold Coast (present day Ghana), from November 1937 he became chief geologist with the Ashanti Goldfields Corporation and was the first resident geologist at the rich Ashanti gold mine.

When he volunteered for military service in 1939 his application claimed experience in (1) interpretation of air surveys, (2) mine development, (3) diamond drilling, (4) organization of field parties and prospecting units, and (5) handling of labour; also 'special knowledge' of aerial surveying (based on the planning and interpretation of four such surveys), tunnelling, surveying, and general reconnaissance of unmapped or poorly mapped territory. However, he was not accepted for service due to poor vision in one eye. Up until 1942 his work included wide experience in siting positions for boring and control of boring operations involving diamond drills, including siting of boreholes for water, and in 1941 he became an Associate (postwar a Member) of the Institution of Mining and Metallurgy (UK), and in February 1943 also a Fellow of the Society of Economic Geologists (USA).

When he was finally accepted for military service in 1942, at the age of 36, he sought employment with boring units of the Royal Engineers. However, after initial training with No. 6 Training Battalion RE (at Elgin in Scotland) from 30 October to 21 December 1942, he was attached to the Survey Training Centre RE (near Ruabon in north Wales) to attend a field survey course, followed by a course in air survey and cartography, from 22 December 1942 to 28 April 1943. The Survey Centre's main function was to train officers and men as military surveyors, who would then be able to act as reinforcements for existing survey units, and for the formation of new units. He was then detached to 14 Corps Field Survey (CFS) Company RE from 28 April to 17 July; returned to the Survey Training Centre RE from 18 July to 12 October; and detached again, to 523 CFS Company RE, before being posted to ISTD, at Oxford, on 8 November 1943. Jack's 'Officer's Record of Service' notes that he was detached briefly to B.A.S. Washington, USA from 19 October to 5 November 1944, and to active service in NW Europe with 21 Army Group in France, Belgium and Holland from 24 December 1944 to 19 January 1945. Soon after the Geological Section ISTD was formed, Jack became its officer commanding.

After the war Jack went to Nigeria, where as a consultant, his first client was Amalgamated Tin Mines of Nigeria (ATMN). There he took part in an aerial survey of the Jos Plateau, and made the acquaintance of the Western Nigerian goldfield. Then he was invited to be the official consultant to the ATMN Group, based in Nigeria. He published a preliminary description of the Nigerian lead-zinc field and undertook a mining survey in Cameroon. After being appointed Assistant General Manager with ATMN in 1953, he was promoted to General Manager in 1957. Whilst General Manager, he was appointed a 'special member' of Nigeria's Northern House of Assembly (Lagos Times, 4 September 1961) to represent the region's mining interests, and promoted Northern Nigeria as 'an awakening giant'. He served until retirement from Nigeria in September 1964.

Presentation copies of the farewell speeches that marked his resignation from the House were donated by the family to the Pitt Rivers Museum at Oxford in 2006, as part of the documentation that accompanied donation of two ceremonial fans. Also, with retirement imminent, in the Queen's Birthday Honours of 1964 he was appointed a Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire for his services to the mining industry in Nigeria.

Jack and his wife returned to England, to Tonbridge in Kent, before moving to the Channel Island of Jersey where he continued with some consultancy work after retirement, but died there on 20 March 1982.

With copy of Gazette pages, a newspaper cutting and other research.



3215*

Pair to Royal Marine at Falklands: General Service Medal 1962-2007 (EIIR Dei Gratia), - clasp - Northern Ireland; South Atlantic Medal 1982 with Rosette. Mne P R Ansell P033348Q RM on first medal, Mne1 P R Ansell P033348Q RM on second medal. Both medals impressed. *Swing mounted, very fine.*

\$1,500

Together with a matching set of miniature medals.

The Royal Marines were prominent in all aspects of the Falklands War including as original defenders.

With research including 53pp of the history of the Falklands War campaign.

THE W. 'BILL' WOOLMORE COLLECTION

OF ANGLO-BOER WAR MEDALS TO AUSTRALIANS PART 1 (Lots 3216 - 3264)

AUSTRALIAN SINGLES



3216*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with faint ghost dates), - six clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902. 2 Sejt J.M.Kerr, S. Aus: Bushmen. Impressed. *Hairlines, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$1.500

J. McR.Kerr was a member of the Third Bushmen's Contingent; Emb.27Feb1900 - 6 officers and 93 other ranks; Kerr promoted to Sgt Major 16Oct1900; RTA 29Apr1901; Arrived Adelaide c25Jun1901.

With copy of medal roll and also copy of a large new spaper article being an interview of Sergeant-Major J.McR. Kerr on the activities of his unit during the Anglo-Boer War.



3217*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), five clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1901. 565 Sgt P.C.Hunt, Victorian Bshmn: Impressed. *Last clasp not attached, extremely fine.* \$1,500

Percy Clark Hunt, solicitor of South Yarra, Vic, 3rd (Busmen's) Contingent; Appt'd Sgt before contingent departed; contingent comprised 15 officers and 261 other ranks; Emb.10Mar1900; transferred to Marandellas Artillery; RTA 09May1901; Disemb.06Jun1901 and disbanded shortly after.

With small b&w photo and copies of unit medal rolls



3218*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), five clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1901, attached at the top of the ribbon is a plaque inscribed, 'DEFENCE OF/ELANDS RIVER/AUGUST 1900'.295. Tpr G.Sutherland. C.B.C. Impressed. *Hairlines, otherwise good very fine.*

\$2,500

Unit medal roll indicates entitlement to additional clasps for Johannesburg and Relief of Mafeking.

George Sutherland of Armidale, C Sqn NSW Citizens' Bushmen; contingent comprised 30 officers and 495 other ranks; Emb.28Feb1900; RTA 09May1901; Disemb.11Jun1901 at Sydney, NSW.

The Siege of Eland's River, 4 to 16 August 1900 was one of the fiercest battles fought during the Anglo-Boer War when a very strong force of Boers under the command of General J.H. De La Rey surrounded a much smaller force of mainly Australian and Rhodesian soldiers who courageously defended the garrison and withstood the siege.

With copies of unit medal rolls.

WIA at Koster River



3219*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Orange Free State, Transvaal. 333 Corl A.P.Anderson, Victorian M.R. Impressed. *The group of four clasps not attached to the suspender, otherwise good very fine.*

\$1,200

Andrew Percival Anderson, musician, born 24Aug1874, from Hawthorn, Melbourne, Vic, 4th (Imperial) Contingent; contingent comprised 31 officers (with 2 supernumeraries) and 598 other ranks; Emb.01May1900; Appt'd L/Cpl while on service; RTA 22Jun1901; Disemb.12Jul1901 at Melbourne, Vic

With copy of unit roll page featuring A.P.Anderson.



3220*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899 to WIA, (type 2 reverse with traces of ghost dates), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Orange Free State, Transvaal. 6 Tpr: W.O.Jones, 1st W. Aus. Bshmn. Impressed. *A few very small edge bumps, otherwise toned good very fine.*

\$2,000

Unit medal roll indicates entitlement to South Africa 1901 clasp.

William Oliver Jones, prospector, age 27 from Victoria, 3rd (Bushmen's) Contingent; contingent comprised 7 officers and 109 other ranks; Emb.13Mar1900; WIA 22Jul1900, (Murray says 'slightly', but newspaper reports state 'severely') at Koster River; RTA 09May1901; Disemb.28May1901 at Fremantle, WA; Disbanded 18Aug1901.

With copies of unit medal rolls.



3221*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with traces of ghost dates), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Orange Free State, Transvaal. 289 Bglr: W.G. Yelland, Victorian M.R. Impressed. *KSA riband attached to ribbon, very small edge bump, otherwise nearly extremely fine.*

\$3,500

Entitled to King's South Africa Medal 1902 with two clasps for service as Bugler with Pietersburg Light Horse (previously called Bushveldt Carbineers). Roll notes that this medal was unclaimed and was returned to Woolwich 26Aug1913.

Bushveldt Carbineers' medal roll records that QSA with CC and Rhodesia clasps from 4/V.I.B. roll.

William Gleadow (also recorded as Gledon) Yelland 4th (Imperial) Contingent, born Jan1878 at St Kilda, Vic and educated at Geelong College; contingent comprised 31 officers (and 2 supernumeraries) and 598 other ranks; Emb.01May1900; Disch. at East London on consideration of Regiment for purpose of joining the Bushveldt Carbineers; Enl.03Jul1901 in Bushveldt Carbineers (Regt No.35067) at East London. This was the unit Breaker Morant served in after his time had expired with the South Australian Mounted Rifles and he had a break in England.

With copies of unit medal rolls and enlistment papers for Bushveldt Carbineers. $\,$



3222*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with faint ghost dates), - eight clasps - Cape Colony, Paardeberg, Driefontein, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Belfast, South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902. 245 S-.Gt M. S.C.Barnes Australian Horse. Engraved alteration to rank, otherwise impressed. *Nicely toned, a few small surface marks, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$4,500

Sydney Charles Barnes, clerk, born 19Jun1875 at Cootamundra, NSW; joined 1st Australian Horse when it was raised in 1897 comprising mostly young bushmen, many of whom were farmer's sons; Sgt then promoted to Staff Sgt Major 17Feb1900; RTA on Orient 08Jan1901; served on second occasion as a L/Cpl in 2nd NSW Mounted Rifles.

Together with research including history of the 1st Australian Horse, unit medal rolls and a photo of 1st Contingent of this unit (includes 30 of 32 members).

WIA at Travanspoort



3223*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899 to WIA, (type 3 reverse), - five clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902. 1615 Pte J.C.Matheson. Victorian M.R. Impressed. *Light hairlines, nicely toned, good very fine.*

\$1,000

John Cameron Matheson of Coburg, 5th (Mounted Rifles) Contingent; contingent comprised 46 officers and 971 other ranks; Emb.15Feb1901; WIA 20Aug1901, severely, at Travanspoort; Invalided to Australia and Disemb.07Dec1901 from the steamer Wilcannia.



3224*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1901. 410 Pte D.Urquhart. Queensland I.B. Impressed. *Small edge bump and hairlines, otherwise very fine.*

\$750

Private Donald Urquhart, 5th (Queensland Imperial Bushmen) Contingent; Emb.06Mar1901; RTA27Mar1902; Unit Disbanded 05May1902.

WWI: Donald Urquhart, born at Auckland, NZ; Enl.19Aug1914 at Morphetville, Sth Aust, in 3LHR, with stated previous military service in NSW Lancers, Queensland Bushmen's Contingent to S.Africa, Natal Military Mounted Police, B.S.A. Mounted Police, Natal Rebellion and King Edward VII Coronation.

In October 1920 one of the passengers arriving at Melbourne on board the steamer Demosthenes was Sergeant-Major Donald Urquhart, who had been in South Africa for some time acting as organising secretary of the Comrades of the Great War, the soldiers' association there. Sergeant Major Urquhart, who served in the South African war, was an Anzac, and afterwards engaged in recruiting and war loan work in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, the United States, Honolulu, and South Africa. While in South Africa he was chosen as the Unionist candidate for the Jeppe seat in the Union Parliament, but was found to be ineligible because he had not resided in South Africa for five years.

WIA at Slingersfontein



3225*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899 to WIA, (type 2 reverse), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal. 101 Cpl B.Gifford, West Aus: M.I. Impressed. *Contact marks, otherwise very fine.*

\$1.500

Graves Gifford of Coolgardie, 1st (Mounted Infantry) Contingent; contingent comprised 5 officers and 125 other ranks; Emb.07Nov1899; WIA 09Feb1900, falling from a horse in action at Slingersfontein, previously 3 ribs broken at Enslin; RTA 13Dec1900; Disemb.29Dec1900 at Albany, WA; Disbanded 29Mar1901.

In a news report in May 1900 it was stated that now Lance Corporal Gifford had written two detailed letters from the Australian Convalescent Depot at Maitland to Major Moor of the Western Australian Mounted Infantry concerning the death of Lieutenant Hensman at the base hospital. These letters were submitted to judge Mr Justice Hensman, the Lieutenant's father, who consented for them to be published.

A news report on 14 August 1900 on the Boer War stated that Graves Gifford was now a Sergeant in charge of 'detail' stores, but had just gone up towards Pretoria with Colonel Hoad to rejoin his company. It further stated that Gifford was offered a commission in the Yeomanry, but the offer reached Perth while he was in Africa and came too late for acceptance.

On 18 April 1903 it was reported in the Coolgardie Miner, p4, that Mr Graves Gifford, formerly of Coolgardie, was the assayer at a mine called the Dahareib near Assoun in Egypt. Then in December 1919 Graves Gifford, who had an assay business in Hunter Street, Coolgardie was elected to the committee of the Coolgardie Chamber of Mines.

With copy of unit medal roll.



3226*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal.67 Tpr: W.J.Johnson. W. Australian I.B. Impressed. *Some light hairlines, otherwise good extremely fine.*

\$1.500

William Joseph Johnson, drover, age 30, born at South Australia, residing at Leonora, WA and working on the goldfields (the enlistees were nicknamed by one newspaper as 'The Debt Dodging Corps', preferring to face Boer bullets to bum-bailiffs (debt collectors), enlisted in 4th Western Australian Mounted Infantry (Imperial Bushmen); Emb.08May1900; contingent comprised 7 officers and 120 other ranks; RTA 05Jul1900; Arrived at Albany, WA 20Jul1900 and unit disbanded 14Aug1900.



3227*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with evidence of official date removal), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal. 118 Pte. F.M.Meek, Queensland M.R. Impressed. *No ribbon edge bump and scratches on rank, hairlines, otherwise good very fine.*

. \$750

Frederick Maurice Meek, served with 4th (Queensland Imperial Bushmen) Contingent; Emb.18May1900; Entrained for East London 04Jul1901; Frederick Meek joined the Corps of Cattle Rangers at East London 06Jul1901 under the name of Maurice Meek; served as a Ranger until 15Jan1902 when unit was disbanded. The Corps of Cattle Rangers was formed for the protection and safe conduct of captured stock.

With copies of unit medal rolls

Found Dead at Klipptraap Assumed Killed by Sniper



3228*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), - six clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Belfast, South Africa 1901. 16. L.Cpl. M.J.Coffee S.A.M.R. Engraved. Suspension repaired, otherwise extremely fine.

\$1,200

Unit medal roll records surname as Coffey.

Lance Corporal (Orderly Clerk) later Corporal Maurice James Coffey 2nd (Mounted Rifles) Contingent; contingent comprised 7 officers and 112 other ranks; Emb.29Mar1900; RTA 03Nov1900; Disemb.01May1901 at Sydney and overland to Adelaide via Melbourne arriving 12May1901; Disbanded 15May1901.

Maurice James Coffey served in WWI enlisting under the name Morris James Coffey in the Light Horse reinforcements and rising to the rank of Lieutenant in 10 Battalion. He was placed on the Reserve of Officers on 1 October 1920 and to the Retired List on 9 December 1930. He died on 20 November 1940. For his WWI service he qualified for the standard WWI trio of medals. On his enlistment papers he stated that his father had served with the 14th Regiment of Foot (Buckinghamshire Regiment) in the Maori War 1860-66. In his service file there are details of his four brothers:- 760 Pte Louis Johnstone Coffey, 43Bn, KIA 10Jun1917 in Belgium; 2341 Pte Sylvester Plunkett Coffey 32Bn (deceased); 2482 Pte Edward Daly Coffey 5 Pnr Bn (died 1921 of TB); Arthur Thomas Coffey enlisted as 33625 Gnr Arthur Everard 2 FArty Bde (died in 1938).

With research, photocopy of unit photo featuring Maurice Coffey and 'Breaker' Morant and copy of unit medal roll.



3229*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with traces of ghost dates), - six clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Belfast, South Africa 1901. 83 Pte E.C.Evans, Tasmanian. M.R. Impressed. *The last clasp not attached and with black diagonal strip fitted to ribbon (to indicate killed), medal nicely toned extremely fine.*

\$2,000

Murray records Evans' Regt No. as 88 but unit medal roll shows it as 83.

Ernest Chambers Evans 1st (Tasmanian) Contingent, son of the late Mr H.B.Evans, shipowner, of Launceston, and educated at Hutchins School. It was reported that he was always to the front of athletic pastimes and as a swimmer had few equals; contingent comprised 4 officers and 76 other ranks; Emb.27Oct1899; RTA 03Nov1900; Disemb.07Dec1900 at Tasmania; Disbanded 08Dec1900.

It was reported in the Examiner, Launceston, Tasmania on 27 August 1901 that Lieutenant Ernest C.Chambers had died. He was found dead at Klipptraap on August 16. It was assumed that he was sniped by rebels, the district being notorious for lawlessness.

The deceased officer arrived in the Boer war as a trooper with the Tasmanian Mounted Infantry under Colonel Cameron C.B., having left Tasmania with a draft of 45 men. He returned to Tasmania with the contingent and left again in March 1901 in the troopship Chicago for South Africa, and joined one of the regiments there, afterwards receiving a commission.

With research, a small b&w photo and unit medal roll.



3230*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), - six clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Belfast, South Africa 1901. 31 Pte. J.Reidy, S.A.M.R. Engraved. *Group of clasps not attached to suspender, very small edge bump, nicely toned, good very fine.*

\$1,250

James Reidy, smelter, born 17Feb1872 at Watervale, served in Mounted Rifles, Port Pirie; A social night was given to Samuel Barnett and James Reidy on 31Dec1900 who departed on 2 Jan1900 from Port Pirie to join the 2nd Contingent; contingent comprised 6 officers and 112 other ranks; Emb.26Jan1900; RTA 29Mar1901; Disemb.01May1901 at Sydney and overland to Adelaide via Melbourne arriving 12May1901; Disbanded 15May1901.

A social night was tendered in the International Hall at Port Pirie on 12 May 1902 by the military of the town to welcome home returned members of the Fifth and Sixth Contingents. Sergeant James Reidy responded to a toast to 'Our boys in South Africa' proposed by Dr Bennett.

James Reidy died on 11 December 1924 after a sever illness over the course of the previous eight months. His prowess in many branches of sport had earned him a name foremost among followers of coursing, rifle shooting, racing (he officiated as judge at the Pirie Racing Club), trotting and other fields of sport. His greatest love was with greyhounds and he ran many prominent longtails throughout the State. He had also held the position of President of the Port Pirie Cricket Association, was once a member of the Fire Brigade and for the previous 15 years had worked with George Wills and Co (Pirie Branch). He also held a high position in the Buffalo Lodge. Flags in Pirie were flown at half mast as a tribute of respect to one of its finest citizens and his funeral was one of the largest witnessed for a long time.



3231*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill. 23 Pte T.Ken-Nerly, W. Aus: M.R. Impressed. *Toned good very fine.*

\$1,500

Thomas Ken-nerly, engineer, age 29 of NSW with previous service of 9 months in NSW Volunteers, 2nd (Mounted Infantry) Contingent; contingent comprised 6 officers and 97 other ranks; Emb.03Feb1900; RTA 07Nov1900; Disemb.08Dec1900; Disbanded 07Mar1901.

Note: Surname recorded on one roll as Kennerly and on other roll as Kennerly and is impressed on medal as Kennerly).

With copies of two unit medal rolls and correspondence regarding the naming on the medal.

Tasmanian WIA at Jasfontein and Escaped Capture Others in His Party Captured or Killed Including Victorian News Correspondent Mr. Lambie



3232*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899 to WIA, (type 2 reverse with clear ghost dates), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill. 15 Cpl V.S.Peers, Tasmanian M.R. Impressed. *Toned, nearly extremely fine.* \$2,500

Together with the following,

- 1) Centennial Intercolonial Exhibition Melbourne, Souvenir medal, 1888, in silver (16mm) (C.1888/10), reverse inscribed, 'Victor Peers'.
- 2) Another as above but in bronze, reverse inscribed, 'Victor Peers'
- 3) Soccer prize fob medal in silver (29.5x34mm), with suspension loop, reverse inscribed, 'S K F C/Premiers 1894/V.S.Peers'.
- 4) Tasmanian Exhibition Hobart, Souvenir medal, 1894-5 (16mm) (C.1894-5/3), reverse inscribed, † V.P. †
- 5) Cape Town & Western Province Poultry & Pigeon Society, (1911), in bronze (26mm), with loop suspension, reverse inscribed, 'V.S.Peers./1911.'
- 6) Railway Horticultural Society Cape Town, (1914), in silver (29mm), reverse inscribed, 'V.S.Peers./Coll. S.A.Plants/11.11.14.'
- 7) St John's Ambulance Association Re-Examination Medallion, in bronze (4th issue type), reverse inscribed, '240994/Victor S.Peers'.
- 8) Railways and Harbours Rifles 2nd Battn prize fob medal, (1923), in silver and enamel (31x44mm), with suspension loop, reverse inscribed, '1923/" Advance and Retire"/won by/Pte. V.S.Peers.'

Victor Stanley Peers, born 22Dec1874 at Deniliquin, NSW, was the son of Mr Louis Peers, headmaster of the Zeehan East State School in Tasmania. He was an active member of the Zeehan Company of the Tasmanian Defence Force having joined in 1896. Five members of this Company including Pte Peers were selected to join the Tasmanian Mounted Rifles for service in South Africa

In an account of his service in South Africa published on the front page of the Zeehan and Dundas Herald on Saturday 3 November 1900 Victor Peers reported one incident in which he was wounded as follows. 'The Tasmanians went to Jasfontein, occupying a few days there in outpost and patrol work. One day, in the course of a reconnaissance, we got into a warm corner, and two of our men - Gilham and Button, both of Ulverstone - were killed; Mr Lambie, the Victorian special correspondent was also shot (and died), while Mr Hales, a correspondent for a Western Australian paper, was wounded and taken prisoner; four of the Tasmanians - Privates Hutton, Swan, Brothers, and Hynes were captured; I had got my horse shot under me, but managed to get away on foot to a kopje.

When I got to the kopje three Boers came up after me, but fortunately for me they came from different directions. They seemed to be very excited. Two of them had to be dealt with at once, but I sent them to their last resting place before they could hit me. I was gradually getting away further from the front to other kopies nearer the camp, when the third Boer interposed before I had got two hundred yards away. We were about fifteen yards apart. At the same moment we fired at each other, his bullet hitting me in the neck, just behind the ear, and mine going through some part of the chest. The sensation I felt was just as if pricked by a needle. Having got rid of the Boers, for the time being, at any rate, I made my way around some kopjes, over the veldt, to our camp, a distance of something like six miles. I lost a lot of blood, and felt a bit weak when I reached our lines. It was quite impossible to get to my mates who were taken by the Boers, as they were completely cut off by the Boers, who numbered three hundred, while there were but fifty of us. I certainly did not expect to see so many of my company again, and how they got away is a miracle. I was sent to the Field Hospital at Rendsburg, where I remained two days, then to Naauwpoort, where another couple of days were spent, next into the ambulance train for Cape Town, where I was placed in No. 3 General Hospital.'

With basic research.



3233*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with evidence of dates removal), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Driefontein, Johannesburg. 73 Pte R.Walsh, Qnslnd: M.R. Impressed. *Nicely toned, extremely fine.*

\$1,200

Richard Walsh 2nd (Queensland Mounted Infantry) Contingent; contingent comprised 10 officers and 144 other ranks; Emb.13Jan1900; RTA 31Mar1901; Disemb.29Apr1901 at Sydney, NSW and then by rail to Brisbane, Qld; Disbanded 10May1901. According to one medal roll, Regt No.73 R. Walsh was a Shoeing Smith and he was transferred to the S.A.C. Police 19Jun1900.

With copies of two unit medal rolls and 2 small b&w photos.



3234*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Transvaal, Wittebergen. 167 Tpr: A.Atkinson. South Aus: I.B. Impressed. *A few light contact marks, otherwise good very fine.*

\$600

Entitled to South Africa 1901 clasp - a later addition to unit medal roll.

Alfred Atkinson, butcher, age 23, 4th (Imperial Bushmen) Contingent; contingent comprised 12 officers and 222 other ranks; Emb.01May1900; RTA 05Jul1901; Disemb.27Jul1901 at Adelaide, Sth Aust.

On 7 August 1901 a welcome home social was held for Troopers Otto Menzel and Alfred Atkinson of the 4th Contingent at the Aldgate Pump Hotel in Aldgate, South Australia. Gold Maltese crosses of appreciation were prepared for the men but unfortunately Atkinson could not be there to collect his.

With copies of two unit medal rolls.



3235*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Transvaal, Wittebergen. 115 Tpr: C.W.Westbrook. Tasmanian I.B. Impressed. *Some hairlines, nicely toned extremely fine.*

\$1,500

Charles Walter Westbrook, age 24 of Evandale, Launceston; 3rd (1st Tasmanian Imperial) Contingent; contingent comprised 5 officers and 117 other ranks; Emb.26Apr1900; RTA 07Jul1901; Disemb.05Aug1901 at Tasmania; Disbanded 14Aug1901.

With b&w photo of Tpr Westbrook and copy of unit medal rolls.



3236*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Transvaal, South Africa 1902. 923 Tpr: W.A.Creighton, Aus: Com: H. Impressed. *Nicely toned very fine.*

\$500

William Allan Creighton 1st Aust Commonwealth Horse; contingent comprised 7 officers and 116 other ranks; Emb.26Jan1902; RTA 11Jul1902; Arriv.30Jul (Albany), 07Aug (Melbourne), 10Aug (Sydney), 13Aug (Brisbane); Disbanded 19Aug1902.

William Allan Creighton died at Johannesburg, South Africa on 2 August 1923. His brother had died about two years beforehand on 30 August 1921

With copies of two unit medal rolls.



3237*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Transvaal, South Africa 1902. 104 Tpr: A.Franklin. Aus: Com: H. Impressed. *A few minor edge nicks, ribbon damaged, otherwise toned very fine.*

\$500

Alfred Franklin, 1Bn Aust Commonwealth Horse; contingent comprised 21 officers and 354 other ranks; Emb.18Feb1902; RTA 11Jul1902; Disemb.11Aug1902 at Sydney, NSW.

With copy of unit medal roll.

WIA at Battle of Paardeberg



3238*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), - two clasps - Rhodesia, Transvaal. 13 Pte H.Dolan, Vic: Scouts. Impressed. *Contact marks and toned, otherwise very fine.* \$5,000

Note the Regt No. 13 is incorrect as Dolan's correct number from the unit roll is 711.

Henry Dolan of Cassilis in Gippsland, prospector, age 30, enrolled as no.711, Cameron's Scouts, 3rd (Bushmen's) Contingent; contingent comprised 15 officers and 261 other ranks (Cameron's Scouts comprised 24 men attached to the contingent); Emb.10Mar1900; RTA 09May1901; Disemb.06Jun1901 at Melbourne, Vic and disbanded shortly after.

With a small b&w photo and copies of unit medal rolls and enrolment form.



3239*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899 to WIA, (type 3 reverse), - two clasps - Relief of Kimberley, Paardeberg. 23 Pte G.Chesher. N.S.Wales M.R. Impressed. *Hairlines, otherwise good very fine.*

\$1,400

George Chesher A Sqn Mounted Rifles; original contingent comprised 4 officers and 100 other ranks but added to later; Emb.03Nov1899; WIA 19Feb1900 in the attack on the Boer Commander, General Cronjie's commandos at the Battle of Paardeberg; Invalided to Aust and Disemb.30Aug1900.

In an article in the Leader (Orange, NSW) on 31 January 1900 George Chesher was reported as one of five young men from Eugowra to fight the Boers. It stated that 'All are at home in the saddle, and good with the Winchester, and are sober and steady young fellows, and full of grit.'

After recovering from his wound, George Chesher moved to Sydney and joined the Tramway Service as an Electric Driver in the Traffic Branch. In November 1912 he was promoted to Receiving Clerk.

With copy of unit medal roll.



3240*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - four clasps - Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902. 1727 Tpr: J.Knobel. N.S. Wales M.R. Impressed. *Very fine.*

\$750

Jacob Knobel, E Sqn 3rd NSW Mounted Rifles; Emb.21Mar1901; RTA 04May1902.

On his return from South Africa, J.Knobel of Pleasant Hills was given a 'Welcome Home' on Friday 20 June 1902 by the townspeople at the School of Arts and presented with a gold medal. Pleasant Hills is a small village about 26kms west of Henty in the Riverina District of NSW and had a number of prominent families with Wendish German (Lutheran) heritage, one of these being the Knobel family.

With copies of unit medal rolls.



3241*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - two clasps - Transvaal, South Africa 1902. 1016 Pte J.F.Harrison. Aust: Com: H: Impressed. *Toned good very fine.*

\$500

James Francis Harrison, age 22, of Montacute, Sth Australia with 1 year and 192 days previous service with Menne's Scouts (a colonial South African unit) joined D Sqn 2Bn Aust Commonwealth Horse raised in Adelaide, Sth Aust 06Jan1902; contingent comprised 5 officers and 116 other ranks; Emb.20Feb1902; RTA 05Jul1902; Disemb.31Jul1902; Disbanded 14Aug1902.



3242*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - two clasps - Transvaal, South Africa 1902. 2859 Tpr: R.E.Owen Aus: Com: H. Impressed. *Edge and rim bump and repair to suspension, otherwise fine.*

\$500

Robert Edward Owen, cordial maker, age 28 from Western Australia, 4th Bn Aust Commonwealth Horse; contingent comprised 5 officers and 115 other ranks; Emb.07Apr1902; RTA 11Jul1902; Disemb.30Jul1902 at Albany, WA.

In The West Australian newspaper on 18 August 1947 the friends of the late Mr Robert Edward Owen, late of Bunbury and Fremantle and formerly of the W.A.M.I. (South African War) and 10th Light Horse (1st A.I.F.) were respectfully informed that his remains would be interred in the Church of England Cemetery, Fremantle on that same day.

With basic research.



3243

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - two clasps -Transvaal, South Africa 1902. 706 Pte C.Sutcliffe. Aus: Com: H: Impressed. *Very fine.*

\$500

Charles Sutcliffe 2nd Bn Aust Commonwealth Horse (Victorian Units); battalion (Vic) comprised 21 officers and 351 other ranks; Emb.12Feb1902; RTA 08Jul1902; Disemb.25Jul (Albany), 30Jul (Adelaide), 02Aug1902 (Melbourne); Disch. same day.

With copy of unit medal roll.

KIA at Waterval River



Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - two clasps - Transvaal, South Africa 1902. 2405 Tpr: P.Wilson. Aus: Com: H. Impressed. *Toned, good very fine.*

\$500

Percy Wilson, 4Bn Aust Commonwealth Horse raised in Victoria; contingent comprised 17 officers and 235 other ranks; Emb.26Mar1902; RTA in three groups with the final group arriving at Port Melbourne 07Aug1902.



3245* **Queen's South Africa Medal 1899 to KIA**, (type 3 reverse), - clasp - Transvaal. 239 Pte J. Dalliston. W.Australian M.I. Impressed. *Dark spot on obverse, otherwise very fine.*

James George Dalliston 5th (Mounted Infantry) Contingent, a 30-year old miner from Victoria, was one of only five selected out of thirty candidates who presented themselves at Coolgardie; contingent comprised 14 officers and 207 other ranks; Emb.06Mar1901; L/Cpl J.G.Dalliston KIA 01Feb1902 at Waterval River, Rolspruit; commemorated on the Fallen Soldiers' Memorial at King's Park, Perth, WA.



3246

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - clasp - Transvaal. 379 Pte R.J.Prew. W. Australian M.I. Impressed. *Hairlines, otherwise nearly extremely fine*.

\$1,500

Reginald John Prew 6th (Mounted Infantry) Contingent, a 22-year old butcher from England then living in Menzies, a town in the Goldfields-Esperance region of WA; contingent comprised 14 officers and 214 other ranks; Emb.10Apr1901; RTA 07Apr1902; Disemb.29Apr1902 at Fremantle, WA; Disbanded 17May1902.



3247*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - clasp - South Africa 1902. 1593 Tpr: J.G.Toms. Aust: Com: H: Impressed. *Hairlines, otherwise toned extremely fine.*

\$500

John G.Toms, 3Bn Aust Commonwealth Horse; contingent comprised 19 officers and 352 other ranks; Emb.02Apr1902; RTA 11Jul1902; Disemb.11Aug1902 at Sydney, NSW.



3248*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse). 3245 Tpr: G.Cliff. N.S.Wales I.B. Impressed. *Very fine*.

\$600

George Cliff, 3rd NSW Imperial Bushmen; formed at Klerksdorp, Transvaal 04May1901 from men intended for other units with more men added later; Invalided to Australia 06Feb1902.

In one section of a letter home to his brother, George Cliff, dated Nov 22, 1901, he wrote, 'I have now left the blockhouse, and I am again with Colonel Williams' column, and we are ordered to go the other side of Pretoria. I would sooner be with my regiment than in the blockhouse. Our column is still bringing in more Boer prisoners. A few days ago we had a brush with them, and took 54 Boers and 36 waggons (sic), also a lot of cattle and sheep. We killed four Boers. Not one of our chaps got hit. It is nearly always raining here now, and it is not very nice to trek along wet through, and lie down at night in your wet clothes, but it must be done. The fever is very bad over here at present.'

AUSTRALIAN GROUPS

Trooper with South Australian Mounted Rifles, Bushveldt Carbineers ('Breaker' Morant's Unit), Steinaecker's Horse and Natal Police



3249*

Group of Four: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with clear ghost dates), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Orange Free State, Transvaal; King's South Africa Medal 1902, - two clasps - South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902; Natal Medal 1906, - clasp - 1906; Permanent Forces of the Empire Beyond the Seas Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (GVR). 548 Tpr: J.Bonner, Victorian M.R. on first medal, Tpr: J.Bonnor (sic). Steinaecker's Horse. on second medal, Tpr: J.Bonner, Natal Police. On third medal, No 795. Sgt. J.Bonner (S.A.M.R.) on last medal. First three medals impressed, last medal engraved. *Display mounted, the first three with contact marks, the second medal with repair to suspension, otherwise toned very fine.*

\$6.500

John Bonner from Dixie, Vic; served with 4th Vic M.R. 22May1900-23Jun1901; recruited into Bushveldt Carbineers in East London by Lieut George Witton; one of the members of the Bushveldt Carbineers was Harry 'Breaker' Morant, bush poet, convicted and executed as a war criminal in South Africa; Tpr Bonner was discharged from the unit, now renamed Pietersburg Light Horse, on 31Jan1902; joined Special Squadron of Steinaecker's Horse 28Feb1902 and served until it disbanded 15Jul1902.

With research including a colour photo of the medal group.

QSA to Officer (later Colonel) & Colonial MSM (Natal) Pair to His Son



3250*

Family Group: Father. Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with faint trace of ghost dates), - five clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1901. Capt. H.Le Mesurier, N.S.W. Bushmen. Impressed.; Son. Pair: Colonial Meritorious Service Medal (Natal) (EVIIR); Natal Medal 1907, - clasp - 1906, with unofficial MID emblem. First medal unnamed, Tpr: H.G.Le Mesurier, Natal "Mtd". Rifles. on second medal. Named medal impressed. The first with a few very small edge bumps, the second pair mounted in a small display box with NMR metal title above, the last with contact marks, the second virtually uncirculated, the rest very fine.

\$5,000

Together with NMR (Natal Mounted Rifles) metal title.

Captain Haviland Le Mesurier Royal Aust Arty was adjutant for the Imperial Bushmen; contingent comprised 40 officers and 722 other ranks; Emb.23Apr1900; to Lieutenant Colonel and commanded regiment 12Nov1900 to July 1901; RTA 23Jun1901; Disemb.17Jul1901 at Sydney, NSW; Lieutenant Colonel Le Mesurier commanding officer 8th Bn Aust Commonwealth Horse; contingent comprised 13 officers and 232 other ranks; Emb.26May1902; RTA 01Jul1902; Disemb.24Jul1902 at South Australia; Disbanded 09Aug1902.

In 1903 Lieutenant Colonel took up duties as Assistant Adjutant General for artillery at Melbourne temporarily. He also served as State Commandant of Western Australian forces. In 1910 Lieutenant Colonel H. Le Mesurier (A. and I. Staff) was selected as one of the officers to attend a course of instruction at Sydney University. Also in 1910 he was appointed commandant of the South Australian military forces and not long after appointed Colonel. He died at the age of 57 after a protracted illness and was laid to rest in amassive ceremony at the West Terrace Cemetery, Adelaide, South Australia on 26 November 1913. The size the ceremony demonstrated the high regard in which the late Commandant was held by all ranks.

During the visit to Western Australia in November 1908 of His Excellency the Governor-General, the opportunity was taken to present several decorations and medals to various members of the Commonwealth military forces. The occasion was held at Government House. One recipient was Sergeant H. Le Mesurier (late Natal Mounted Rifles) who received the Meritorious Service Medal and the Natal Medal and clasp 1906 (Zulu Rebellion, 1906).

Sergeant H. Le Mesurier, son of the W.A. Commandant (Lieut-Colonel Le Mesurier), served in the South African campaign with the Natal Police (Queen's South Africa Medal and clasps). During the Zululand Rebellion of 1906 he served as a trooper in the Natal Mounted Rifles. Whilst with them he volunteered to ride, and subsequently rode, up the face of Knobkerrie Hill, in order to draw the fire of the rebels, locate their position, and indicate to the column a path by which to scale the kopje. On completing his duty he rejoined his column under a heavy fusillade of assegais (spear) and bullets. For this "plucky and meritorious act", as it was described in General Orders, Private Le Mesurier was, the same day, promoted to the rank of Sergeant, and recommended for the Meritorious Service Medal. This medal the Governor-General pinned on Sergeant Le Mesurier's tunic in the name of H.M. the King, wishing him at the same time a long life to wear it. His Excellency also presented him with the Natal Medal and clasp, 1906.

With research including a full account of Colonel H. Le Meseurier's

MID to WIA - Found & Nursed by Boer Women and then Taken to British Hospital at Direction of Boer Commander



3251

Pair: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with very faint trace of ghost dates), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, Transvaal, with unofficial MID emblem; British War Medal 1914-18. 135 Trpr: R. Douglas, Tasmanian 1st B.C.R.F.F. on first medal, 252 Cpl R Douglas A.N.& M.E.F. on second medal. Both medals impressed and on first medal 1st B.C.R.F.F. has been engraved at end. Display mounted, some minor edge nicks on first medal, otherwise good very fine.

\$4,500

Lot 3251 continued

MID: In Commander-in-Chief's Despatches 2/4/1901.

British War Medal is full WWI entitlement.

1st B.C.R.F.F. (1st Bushmen's Contingent Rhodesian Field Force).

Trooper Ronald Douglas (brother to Walter Douglas, the jockey), railway employee, born Wyndham, Werribee, Vic; served with Second (Tasmanian Bushmen) Contingent; Emb.05Mar1900; WIA 22Aug1900 at Ottoshoop; also served with Corps of Cattle Rangers (Ranger Ronald Douglas Regt No.431 served 27Sep-14Dec1901); WWI: Enl.11dec1914 at Melbourney Vic in 3rd N. & M.E. Force; Emb.25Jan1915; to Cpl 15Nov1915; RTA 05Jan1916 on furlough; Arrived from Australia 04May1916 and taken on Garrison Duty; RTA 02Apr1917 for furlough and with enteric fever and struck off strength; Emb.08Jun1917 from Sydney; Arrived from Australia 24Jun1917 and taken on strength; Disch.31Oct1918; Died at Elizabeth Jenkins Place, a Salvation Army nursing home at Collaroy, Sydney, NSW, in 1978 at the age of 104, at that time believed to be Australia's oldest ex-soldier

An article in the Mount Lyell Standard and Strahan Gazette, Monday 25 February 1901, p3 reads as follows,

RETURNED FROM THE WAR-TROOPER RONALD DOUGLAS.

HOW HE WAS WOUNDED.

It was on the 23rd of February, 1900, that Trooper Ronald Douglas, with the rest of the Lyell contingent, proceeded from Queenstown to Hobart for enrolment in the Tasmanian section of the Imperial Bushmen's Corps, and it was on February 22, 1901, that he set foot in the town once more. Trooper Douglas was therefore absent from the district twelve months, and, as was to be expected, during that period he underwent many strange experiences. The story of how he was wounded, as related by him to a "Standard" representative yesterday, is especially interesting.

Trooper Douglas, although not in such good condition as when a year ago he lodged his application at the "Standard" office for enrolment in the Bushmen's Corps, looks well in health, and outwardly does not appear to have suffered any harm from the severe wounds which he received on August 21 last during an engagement in the Ottoshoop district. On that date the Bushmen were endeavouring to find the flanks of the Boers and got round behind them, when suddenly the Bushmen came in sight of a number of horses near a farm house. Douglas, Obant, Hillier (all Lyellites) (i.e. residents of Mount Lyell in Tasmania), and Allen (a Queenslander) rushed into a churchyard near by in order to get a better shot at the Boers, and they then saw two of the enemy sneaking up to get a shot at Jackson and some other Tassies. Douglas and his mates waited until the Boers got closer, and then three fired, bringing one of the men down. The other Boer started to run, and then Chant fired and dropped him. These Boers were afterwards picked up by the British and taken into the hospital at Ottoshoop.

Douglas and party, who had been joined by Lawson, another Tasmanian, stayed in the churchyard for some time, but at length they found the Boers were creeping up a donga, and from their position the Bushmen were unable to get a good shot at them. Douglas decided to make for a cattle kraal lower down, on the bank of the donga, and Lawson offered to join him. Allen and Chant advised them not to go, but they persisted in their purpose. Douglas was walking along in front of Lawson, when be was struck by a bullet just below the right breast. He, however, made no mention of the fact that he had been shot to Lawson, for he only thought he had received a scratch, the wound not being painful, and only producing a stinging sensation. The pair reached the kraal, but even then they could not get a shot at the Boers in the donga, so they decided to proceed further along the donga in the long grass. Seeing the grass moving ahead of them on the opposite side of the donga they fired several rounds into it, but could not judge the effect. At last a Boer put his head up out of the grass, and as he did so Douglas fired and shot him in the chest. Almost at the same instant Douglas was shot in the left side, the bullet passing right through his body.

The grass was too long for the Boers to distinguish Douglas and Lawson, but bullets flew unpleasantly close to them. Lawson, who was about 20 yards away from Douglas, at last remarked that they had better make a move, and Douglas, who had not intimated that he was shot, suggested that Lawson should retire first, in order that he (Douglas) might cover his retreat. To this course Lawson objected, remarking that he would not go without his mate. Douglas, who was becoming paralysed in his legs and knew that he had no chance of reaching their horses, which they had left some considerable distance behind, pointed out that if they both went together they would get shot. He did not want Lawson to know he was badly wounded, for be

knew that his mate would not leave him under those circumstances, and he was anxious that he at any rate should get away safely. He told Lawson that while he was making for the horses he would keep on firing at the Boers and Lawson could perform a similar office for him (Douglas) when he was trying to join him. Lawson then consented to move, but just as he got up from the grass a big Boer appeared in sight 30 yards away. Lawson, however, dropped him, and taking to his heels made a dash for the horses. Subsequently Douglas ascertained that the column had taken their horses away, and consequently Lawson could not find them. Lawson waited for his comrade for a considerable lime, but the latter, of course, did not put in an appearance and Lawson made his way back-to camp, which he reached about one or two o'clock in the morning. He reported Douglas as missing.

In the meanwhile Douglas lay wounded in the long grass. Once he saw Sergeant-Major Boyes about 100yds away, but he had by that time grown too weak to call out. He believes that be must have been unconscious portion of the time, for the hours passed quickly by. At times Boers passed close by him bearing saddles which they had removed from the horses shot by the British. Just about dark a little Dutch girl, about 17 years of age, came to him and asked him whether he had been shot. She tried to lift him up, and even wanted to carry him, but he was too big a burden. She removed his bandolier and his haversack and put them under his head, and not being satisfied with the improvised pillow, took off her skirt, and wrapping it up with the bandolier and haversack made a comfortable resting place for his bead. She left him there, but in three-quarters of an hour returned, accompanied by her mother and five aunts (she had eight aunts, by the way). They talked together in Dutch for a while, and he wondered what were their intentions, for he had heard tales of cruelty on the part of Boer women. All doubts as to their intentions were, however, dispelled when four of them stooped down, crossed their hands under him, and then carried him to a farmhouse, a distance of about half a mile. There they handed him over to the care of the girl's grandmother. After examining his wound, the old lady prepared some salve, with some white powder, goat's cream, and soap, which she placed on the wounds. For bandages she used her apron, which she tore into strips. He spent a comfortable night, and in the morning did not feel any pain from his injuries.

He stayed at the house for five days, and during that time a lot of Dutchmen from the Boer laager, which was only five miles away, came to ask after him. The little girl could speak English well, she having been educated in Mafeking, and when his visitors were ignorant of English she acted as interpreter. He once inquired of the girl how she came to find him, and she said that she saw both him and Lawson go down through the grass, and only one return. Prior to the fight they had been removed from the firing line by two Bushmen, whom she described so accurately that Douglas did not fail to distinguish the men. He derived much amusement from the manner in which she imitated their little peculiarities. General Lemmer (who was recently killed) came to see him, and asked him whether he would prefer to go to the Boer hospital at the laager, or to the British hospital at Ottoshoop. Douglas replied that he wished to go to the Ottoshoop hospital General Lemmer told him that he would send him a Boer doctor, but next day the General informed him the Boer doctor was too busily engaged in attending to their own wounded to visit him. General Lemmer, however, brought him a bottle of brandy, and sent for him a note to the British camp, requesting that an ambulance should be sent to the farm house to take him to the hospital. The ambulance arrived in due course, and Douglas was removed to Ottoshoop. After spending three days there be was despatched to Mafeking, 24 miles distant, in an ambulance cart, in which he had a very rough and fearful journey. He stayed in the hospital in Mafeking for three days, and was then sent in a hospital train to Deelfontein, which be reached after a two days' journey. September 4 was the day of his arrival at Deelfontein, and it was not until December 18 that he was able to get out of bed. It was a long illness and only his strong constitution pulled him through. The hospital, the Imperial Yeomanry Hospital, was a splendid institution, being described as the best in South Africa. He ascribes his recovery to the care given him by the Dutch, and especially to the kindness of the girl who found him and had him removed to the farmhouse. Had it not been for her he is sure that he would not now be alive, as he was losing blood fast when she reached him.

Speaking generally of his experiences Douglas says that the Lyellites, like all the Bushmen, enjoy campaigning when there is plenty of fighting. What they detest is town life, in which they have to guard stores or perform similar monotonous duties! Any Australian who has been used to roughing it would enjoy the life on the veldt as long as there was a fair share of excitement. At any rate Trooper Douglas appears to be enamoured of campaigning life, for he has again applied for enlistment and hopes to pass the doctor. If he is successful in finding a place in the ranks of the next contingent it is to be hoped that he will not again be a recipient of Boer bullets. If, however, it is his fate to be again wounded, may he fall into the hands of as kindly disposed enemies as was his good luck last August.'

With some research.



3252*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Rhodesia, South Africa 1901; Coronation Medal 1902. 355 Tpr: E.P.Rich, Victorian M.R. on first medal, second medal unnamed as issued. Named medal impressed. *Contact marks on first medal, otherwise very fine.*

\$2,250

Edmund Press Rich 4th (Imperial) Contingent; contingent comprised 31 officers (and 2 supernumeraries) and 598 other ranks; Emb.01May1900; Rich RTA and Disemb.05Jan1901 at Victoria; Returned to South Africa and rejoined 15Feb1901; granted passage to England and discharged there.

Private E.P.Rich was given a rousing farewell in late April 1900 when a very large number of residents of Blackburn and the surrounding districts assembled at the Recreation Hall, Box Hill. A similarly large reception was given to him on 16 January 1901 after he had returned from South Africa. His name appears on the Box Hill South African War Memorial.

While on service Private Rich had an excerpt from a letter he wrote published and it took up the entire column of the Reporter, Box Hill in Victoria. The letter was written from Mandegas, Central Africa dated July 7/00 and starts off, 'We are going to the front by degrees. We have come 129 miles in four weeks. There are fourteen of us camped here to look after any truck horses as they come up from Biera. They stop here for four hours to get a feed and drink, then we truck them again to go to Umtali, which is the next station, where they stop for a rest.'

With research and copies of unit medal rolls.



3253*

Pair: Distinguished Conduct Medal (type 1 trophy of arms, a Taylor's copy); Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with trace of ghost dates), - with six clasps - Cape Colony, Paardeberg, Driefontein, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Wittebergen, and with unofficial MID emblem. First medal unnamed, 81 Pte C.F.Selmes, N.S.W., A.M.C. on second medal. Named medal impressed. *Display mounted, first uncirculated, second nearly extremely fine.*

\$2,000

DCM: LG 27/9/1901, p6329 to Pte G.F.Selmes, NSW Bearer Coy.

MID: LG 16/4/1901, p2607 to Pte G.F.Selmes, NSW Bearer Coy.

 $George\ Francis\ Selmes,\ 1st\ Contingent\ Army\ Medical\ Corps;\ Emb.\ 28Oct1899;\ RTA\ 13Dec1900\ arriving\ on\ 08Jan1901.$

George Selmes had been a Constable for 3 years in the NSW Police Force attached to No.3 police station before his departure to South Africa as a member of the bearer section of the A.M.C. After his return, Constable Selmes continued on with his police service, was promoted to Constable First Class and transferred to Traffic Police. In July 1902 he resigned and moved to settle in Johannesburg, South Africa. His mother was a resident of Kogarah in Sydney, NSW.

With unit medal rolls and copies of Gazette entries.

Group to NSW Lancers - Died of Enteric Fever



3254*

Pair: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), three clasps - Cape Colony, Paardeberg, Driefontein; Jubilee Medal 1897. 67. Cpl. R.E.Harkus. N.S.W. Lrs. on first medal, Tpr. Harkus. N.S.W. Lancers. on second medal. Both medals engraved. *Stored in a plush lined, hinged-lid timber display box, extremely fine.*

\$6,000

Together with NSW Lancer Regiment hat badge (1895-1903) in white metal (47mm) (Grebert p67); Yeomanry & Volunteer Tournament, prize medal in silver (38mm), by Mappin & Webb, London W, reverse inscribed, '1897/Tent pegging/1st Prize/Won By/Trooper Harkus/New South Wales/Lancers', suspension missing; Royal Military Tournament, prize medal in silver (38mm), no maker, reverse inscribed, 'Colonials Competitions/Lemon/Cutting/1st Prize won by/Trooper Harkus/N.S.W.Lancers'.

Entitlement to Coronation Medal 1897 confirmed.

Rowland Edward Harkus was born at Moruya on the NSW south coast on 12 June1869. He served in the Postal Department at Moruya and from 17May1892 at Parramatta, Sydney, NSW. He joined the Parramatta troop of Lancers in 1893 and was an outstanding horseman and also talented in wrestling, sword and lance competitions including tent pegging just to name a few

Corporal Rowland Edward Harkus died of enteric fever at Bloemfontein. He had been an employee of the PMG Department before going to South Africa and despite his pleas for an exemption he was denied permission to go to the war. He went anyway. There were very many news reports of his death, one going into great detail of Corporal Harkus's military career and military tournament achievements and covering almost an entire page in The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate (Parramatta) on Saturday 12 May 1900. Another less detailed news report in The Temora Star on Saturday 12 May 1900 reads as follows.

'Death of Corporal Harkus

Corporal Harkus, who was one of the best-known men in the New South Wales Regiment, has, like many another brave fellow, ended his career in South Africa. Colonel Burns on Wednesday received a letter from Captain Cox, who is in charge of the Lancers on active service, conveying the information. The communication was dated April 10, and stated that six days previously Corporal Harkus had died in the Hospital at Bloemfontein. Several other members of the squadron were also in the hospital, but their cases were not critical, and, taken altogether, the health of the rest of the men, Captain Cox said, was very good when compared with other regiments.

Corporal Harkus was an active member of the Lancer Regiment, and was perhaps the most prominent member in military sports that the colony has produced. He took part in all the leading military tournaments in the colony, and invariably carried off a number of prizes. On two occasions he has gone to England as a representative of this colony. The first was at the jubilee, in 1897. He then took part in various military sports, and earned the distinction of gaining two Empire medals. What this means may be imagined from the fact that only seven Empire medals are granted annually, and they are open to the whole of the Imperial, Indian, and colonial military forces. Corporal Harkus brought two of the seven back to New South Wales. In 1899 he again went to England with the squadron for training. It was while returning from this trip that hostilities commenced, and part of the squadron went on active service as soon as their vessel reached the Cape. Corporal Harkus returned home to Parramatta to put his affairs in order, and then proceeded with the second contingent of Lancers to join their comrades on the battlefield. Although the letter received by Colonel Burns does not state the cause of death, it is surmised that he fell a victim to enteric fever, as recent letters from the front stated that this dreaded scourge was prevalent at Bloemfontein.

With a large amount of research.



3255*

Trio: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1901; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 2630 Gnr: W.Feagan. Rl:Aust:Arty: on first medal, 2903 Cpl. WA.Feagan. 59 Bn. A.I.F. on last two medals. All medals impressed. *Display mounted, nearly extremely fine.*

\$2,500

There is no mention of 2630 W.Feagan in the nominal roll for A Battery Royal Aust Arty but he was certainly a member of A Bty, even winning some shooting competitions in 1899, and there are mentions of a William 'Bill' Feagan with the artillery in various letters home from the Boer War and published by newspapers. His Boer War service is also shown on his WWI enlistment application.

William Albert Feagan, born at Queanbeyan, NSW; WWI: Enl.18Sep1916 at R.A. Showgrounds, Moore Park, Sydney, NSW with previous experience of 5 years RAA, 1 year 10 months in A Bty in Boer War, 1 year 6 months with NSW Mounted Rifles; Emb.03Nov1916; to Cpl 15Jun1917; WIA 25Sep1917; DOW at 17 CCS, Belgium 27Sep1917 GSW abdomen and right arm, Belgium; Buried at Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, near Poperinge, West Flanders, Belgium.

With copy of Service File.

QSA to Trooper in Doyle's Scouts & Attempted Water Rescue Award

MID Group to WIA (Shot Twice) at Wilmansrust



3256*

Pair: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal, South Africa 1902; Royal Humane Society Bronze Medal small version for unsuccessful rescue, with brooch buckle bar suspender. 2013 Tpr E.V.Weston. Doyle's Aust.Scts. on first medal, Ernest V. Weston, 17th June 1917 on second medal. First medal impressed, second medal engraved. *The second medal cleaned now re-toning, otherwise very fine.*

\$2,500

Tpr Weston confirmed as serving with Doyle's Australian Scouts.

Royal Humane Society Report 1917, Case number 43745.

At 9a.m. on the 17th June, 1917, a lad while bathing in a rough sea at Bombay got into difficulty and was carried out about 100 yards. Pestonji M. Batha went in, but was himself drowned. Ernest V. Weston then went in and got the boy out, but he did not recover. In Memoriam to relatives of Batha.

With copy of RHS certificate named to Ernest P.Weston and copy of unit medal roll.



3257*

Pair to WIA at Wilmansrust: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with faint ghost dates), - five clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Belfast, with unofficial MID emblem; King's South Africa Medal 1902, - two clasps - South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902. 196 Pte P.J.Dallimore, Victoria M.R. on first medal, Captain P.J.Dallimore. Victorian M.R. on second medal. Both medals impressed. *Display mounted, nicely toned, nearly extremely fine.*

\$6,500

Together with Victorian Militia Artillery pill box cap badge in brass (32mm) (Grebert p172); blackened bronze officer's pips (3).

MID: LG 16/4/1901, p2608 to No.196 Sergeant P.J.Dallimore, Victorian Mounted Rifles.

Peter James Dallimore of Warrnambool, Vic; enlisted in 2 Vic MR as a trooper; to Sgt 25Aug1900; RTA and volunteered for 5th Contingent with rank of Lieutenant; severely wounded at the Wilmansrust disaster in eastern Transvaal 12Jun1901, when Boers made a night attack on the 5 Vic MR and during the fight Lt Dallimore was wounded twice, once with a bullet wound to the head and then with a bullet in the hip, 19 other members of his unit were killed; hospitalised at Middleburg; finished his second tour as a Captain.

In a letter home to his family written at Middleburg Hospital, Lieut P.J.Dallimore wrote, 'Since I last wrote you a terrible disaster has happened to the 2nd Battalion. We were completely surprised by night, losing in all, killed and wounded, 62. I received two bullet wounds, one in my head and one through my hip. They are both clean wounds, and the doctors tell me they are not very dangerous. I shall never forget that night. It was something awful - one continued blast of rifles, just as if packets of crackers were put into the fire; and the yells of the Boers singing out "Hands up, you----! Hands up!" There were about 600 of them altogether. I was nearly asleep when I heard the first volley. I got up as quickly as possible, got hold of my rifle, and ran out, and got hit in the head. This threw me down, and for a minute or two I knew no more. However, I soon recovered, and immediately grabbed my rifle again, and had just shoved a cartridge into the breach when I got hit again on the hip. By this time the Boers were well around me. They collared my rifle and bandolier, and that finished me. I shall tell you all about it when I get a bit better. At present I am getting the best of attention, a room to myself, an orderly, and a nurse to look after me.

Lot 3257 continued

On another occasion, an article in May 1901 was written in the London Daily Mail by Edgar Wallace in which he states, 'Two weeks ago - the day before De Wet crossed the Orange River on his return home - Captain Dallimore of the Victorian Imperial Regiment, while scouting with a patrol of 15 men, got on the track of a party of Boers twice as strong numerically as his own small party. With that skill which only the Australians seem to possess, he followed the enemy without letting his own party expose themselves, and night found him with his little band posted along a ridge overlooking the Boer camp, which was in the angle of the Sea Cow and Orange Rivers. All night long in the drizzling rain the Victorians waited, and at last dawn broke. and showed the sleeping forms of the enemy, slumbering quite oblivious of the presence of our men. Had he been so willed, Captain Dallimore might have shot every sleeper as he lay, but he did a thing for which every man with the instincts of an Englishman will praise him - he ordered a volley to be fired over their heads, so that they might wake and have a fight for their lives. That was mercy - and, good sportsmen, it was "the game"

With a massive amount of research, much of it into the Dallimore family history, and also some photos.





3258*

Group of Four: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with trace of ghost dates), - five clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Belfast; 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 69 Pte D.Thompson, Sth. Australian M.R. on first medal, 350 Dvr D.Thompson. 9/L.H Rgt A.I.F. on second medal, 350 2/AM: D.Thompson 9/L.H.Rgt. A.I.F. on third medal, 350 Pte D.Thompson. 9 L.H.R. A.I.F. on last medal. All medals impressed. *Display mounted in a plush lined, hinged-lid case, very fine - good very fine.*

\$2,500

David Thompson, boilermaker's assistant, born at Manchester, England; served in Boer War with South Australian Mounted Rifles; WWI: Enl.20Oct1914 at Morphetville, Sth Aust with previous service in First Contingent of SAMR of 13 months and SA Field Arty and Infy for 2 years; Emb.11Feb1915 as Driver; TOS 9LHR at Gallipoli 12Nov1915 after reverting to Private; to driver 22Feb1916; to 68Sqn Aust Flying Corps 08Dec1916 as 2Air Mechanic; re-mustered from Sailmaker to Cook 09Jun1917; RTA 31Jan1918; Disch.01May1918 for family reasons.

2AM D.Thompson was discharged for family reasons because he had 7 children, the oldest of them was 19 and the youngest was 4. His 19 year old son joined the AIF and as his wife was bed ridden with rheumatism and his relatives in South Australia could not help look after his family because of their other commitments he was granted an early discharge with the support of Major W.O.Wain, CO No 68Sqn, Aust Flying Corps.

With copy of SAMR medal roll and WWI Service File.



3259*

Trio: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), five clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill, Belfast; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 53 Tpr. H.J.Simper S.A.M.R. on first medal, T-Captain H.J.Simper. A.I.F. on last two medals. First medal engraved, the other medals impressed. *Toned, good very fine.*

\$1.500

Hector John Simper, carpenter and builder, born at Ballarat, Vic; served in Boer War with South Australian Mounted Rifles and two years with Transvaal Volunteers (resigned); WWI: Enl.11Aug1915 at Adelaide, Sth Aust; Emb.10Feb1916 with 14 Reinfts 3LHR; TOS 1LHR 08Mar1916; TOS 24 Howitzer Bde 110 Bty 06Apr1916; Tfr to DAC 18Apr1916; to Lieut 01Aug1916; TOS 11FAB 24Jan1917; WIA 06Jun1917 shell shock, France, resulted in the practical loss of sight in one eye; to T/Capt 06Jan1919; performed duties of Education Officer 01May-13Jun1919; assumed duty of Education Officer 14Jun1919; RTA 18Dec1919; Appt terminated 28May1920; Died 08Mar1941 and buried 10Mar in the AIF Cemetery, West Terrace, Adelaide, Sth Aust.

With copy of WWI Service file.



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3260*

Pair: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), four clasps - Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill; Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal (EVIIR). 121 Pte E.E.Hines. N.S.Wales M.R. on first medal, Pte. E.Hines 3rd Aus. Inf. Regt. on second medal. Both medals impressed. *Some contact marks, otherwise very fine.*

\$2,000

CAFLS&GC: CAG No.37 1/8/1902, p447 - to Pte Ellis Hines, 3rd Infy Regt.

A news article in The Cumberland Argus and Fruitgrowers Advocate from Saturday 30 September 1911 reads as follows, 'Parramatta Company of 3rd Regt. Infantry possibly boasts of more long-service men than any other company in the Commonwealth. Private Ellis Hines is one of the distinguished in this respect. He joined the Goulburn corps in 1873, and has been at the game ever since. He attends his last parade to-day, after nearly 40 years' service. For some years past he has been residing at Coledale, and has travelled from there at his own expense to attend parade. Lately he applied for a free pass, to enable him to attend parade, and, this being refused, he has decided to resign. Of the seven men who represented the Company in the Boer War, Private Hines is the last man to send in his kit. A presentation will be made to the veteran today.'

With a copy of the unit medal roll - states a duplicate medal returned 20/12/06.



3261*

Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with clear ghost dates), - four clasps - Cape Colony, Driefontein, Johannesburg, Diamond Hill. 57A Pte C.A.Plumridge, Victoria M.R. Impressed. The group of four clasps not attached to suspension bar, some hairlines, otherwise extremely fine.

\$1,200

No record of entitlement to Driefontein clasp.

Charles Albert Plumridge was a member of C Coy 2nd B.I.B. Rifle Club (Bendigo); Emb. with 1st Victorian Mounted Infantry Coy for Boer War service; RTA 05Nov1900; Arr.04Dec1900 at Melbourne.



3262*

Group of Four: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 3 reverse), - three clasps - Cape Colony, Transvaal, South Africa 1902; 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 1204 Tpr: L.L.Reardon. Aus: Com: H. on first medal, Pte L.L.Reardon Ntl. Light. Hse on last three medals. All medals impressed. *Display mounted, the last medal silvered, edge nick on first medal, otherwise fine - very fine.*

\$1.250

Lionel Lewis Reardon 1st Bn Aust Commonwealth Horse (Tasmanian halfunit); contingent comprised 3 officers and 59 other ranks; Emb.16Feb1902; Reardon remained in South Africa and enlisted in Natal Light Horse for WWI service.

Natal Light Horse was an irregular South African unit formed by Colonel J.R.Royston in August 1914. A full roster of 600 men was recruited within ten days with many Australians who had served under Royston during the Anglo-Boer War joining up.

With copy of unit medal roll for QSA, also a b&w photo of Tpr Reardon and a storage box.

Rare DSO Group to an Heroic Medical Officer at the Elands River Siege - the Only DSO Awarded for this Siege



3263*

DSO Group of Five: Distinguished Service Order (VRI); Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with dates removed), - two clasps - Rhodesia, Transvaal; 1914 Star, - clasp - 5th Aug.-22nd Nov. 1914; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19 with MID. First medal unnamed as issued, Capt Surg: A.T.Duka, QNSLD: M.R. on second medal, Lieut. A.T.Duka. D.S.O. R.A.M.C. on third medal, Major A.T.Duka. on last two medals. All named medals impressed. *Displayed mounted in a padded leather carry case, extremely fine.*

\$25,000

Together with a matching riband bar with emblems affixed; Queensland Mounted Infantry hat badge in gilt (53mm) (Grebert p212); Royal Army Medical Corps cap badge; gilt Major's crown; blackened bronze officer's pips (3).

DSO: LG 19/4/1901, p2702 - In recognition of services during the operations in South Africa. (This was the only DSO awarded for the Elands River Siege)

MID: LG 16/4/1901, p2607; WWI: LG 22/6/1915, p6006.

Albert Theophilus Duka, born 18Apr1866 in St George Hanover Square, London, England, the son of Lt-Col Theodore Duka MD, FRCS, HM Indian Medical Service; was educated at Cheltenham College then at Cambridge University where he graduated B.A. in 1888 and M.A. in 1892; he then worked at St George's Hospital; took the L.S.A. in 1891 and the M.R.C.S. and L.R.C.P. Lond in 1892; he later moved to Australia; he joined 3rd Queensland Mounted Infantry; Mar1899 appt'd Surgeon-Captain in the Queensland Defence Force (Land); Capt Duka was a member of M Coy QMI when he was appointed Medical Officer to accompany the Third Contingent of QMI to the Boer War; Capt Duka, who distinguished himself in attending to the wounded under very heavy fire during the Eland's River siege and on other occasions was invalided home suffering from severe dysentery; on his return he resumed his position with Queensland Defence Force; in 1903 he went into a medical practice partnership with Dr Smith Hozier of Lismore; in 1904 he was appt'd Captain in the Army Service Corps; Capt Duka sold his medical practice in Lismore, NSW and left for England on 21Oct1905; in Aug1914 he joined the British Army as a temporary Lieutenant in RAMC; after one year he was appt'd Captain and then Major on 26Sep1915; he served in the advance on and retreat from Mons, and later, in England, was in charge of the clearing hospital at Eastleigh; after the war he served in the Ministry of Pensions Department at Southampton until his death at New Milton, Bournemouth in Sep1923 at age 57.

Some of his other appointments included:- In Australia in 1897 Dr Duka was Vice-President of the Mackay Cricket Association and he was also appointed Honorary Surgeon at Mackay District Hospital; In England after WWI he was a member of the Bournemouth Town Council and a prominent local Freemason being a past Worshipful Master of Boscombe Lodge.

In a newspaper article published on 21 May 1901 the writer states, 'I cannot close this article without a word of testimony to our gallant medical officer - Surgeon-Captain A.T.Duka, of our Third Contingent. He quickly had a temporary shelter built for a hospital, and, absolutely unsparing to himself, unwearying tended the wounded - black and white - day and night, with a skill, gentleness, and devotion worthy of the highest praise. His name will never be forgotten by any of the garrison.'

Together with a very large amount of research and some photos as well as a 35pp history of Theodore Duka, Albert Duka's father, privately printed in 1914.



3264*

Trio: Queen's South Africa Medal 1899, (type 2 reverse with clear ghost dates), - six clasps - Relief of Mafeking, Orange Free State, Transvaal, Rhodesia, South Africa 1901, South Africa 1902; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 9 SEJt A.J.Gorst, Qnslnd: M.R. (see note below) on first medal, Captain. J.A.Gorst. A.I.F. on last two medals. All medals impressed. *Display mounted, the first with a minor edge nick, otherwise nearly extremely fine.*

\$3,500

Together with oxidised bronze officer's pips (3).

Note: Recorded in 3QMI records and on medal roll as Alfred John Gorst.

John Alfred Gorst, born 12Sep1875, in Chester, England; to South Africa and appt'd Sgt 17Feb1900; served with 3rd Queensland Mounted Infantry during the Relief of Mafeking and was one of only 110 Australians to receive the Relief of Mafeking clasp and less than three months later he was engaged in the desperate twelve day defence of the Elands River Post; RTA 13Jun1901; Disch.20Jun1901; 12May1913 Captain with Annerley Road Company, 8 Bn Senior Cadets; Unallotted List with South Brisbane Training Area Senior Cadets 16Jul1913; Volunteered for AIF at District HQ 06Aug1914 and rejected because Area Officers required in Australia; Volunteered again in late Aug1914, medically examined and told to wait; accepted to AIF 15Sep1914 at age 38 while employed as a Fire Insurance Inspector and with previous service in the Boer War and prior to that 3 years with Earl of Chester's Vol Bn $\,$ Cheshire Rifles; Emb.24Oct1914 from Sydney as AIF officer accompanying Imperial Reservists; Emb.01Nov1914 from Albany WA with 1st Div AIF, landed in Egypt and then ordered to UK; arrived UK 19Dec1914 and appt'd Adjutant to Aust Divisional Ammunition Park (Motor Transport), Romsey; took over as Adjutant ANZ Base Depot & Convalescent Camp 26May1915; Ordered to organise all Aust cars, ambulances & lorries and form the Australian Motor Transport Service and appt'd CO of the unit 19Jan1916; took draft of 12 officers and 1,209 men to France Sep1916; Appt'd OC 14 Training Bn 03Oct1916 but a serious health problem (neuritis) caused his repatriation to Australia; arrived Brisbane, Qld 05Jan1917.

Captain Gorst was presented with the 1914-15 Star which he wore on parades but post war he was ordered to return it and told he did not qualify for the award. Understandably, he was furious and wrote a long, detailed letter to the Officer-in-Charge of Base Records, Melbourne and part of this letter reads as follows. 'I do not claim the 1914-15 Star because I had made a temporary landing in Egypt but on the grounds that I was on a Transport, On Active Service, in Command of Troops & in a Theatre of War, liable to be ordered to go in any direction & it was no desire of ours that we were ordered to proceed to England instead of into Action, furthermore as Nurses & Orderlies in Hospital ships and transports received the Star for doing precisely what we did I fail to see where I did not qualify.'

Together with research and copy of Service File.

OTHER PROPERTIES

AUSTRALIAN SINGLES

Bugler Boy at Boxer Rebellion and later the First Fatality on HMAS Australia - Killed in an Accident



3265*

China War Medal 1900, later died on HMAS Australia. C.E.Holmes Boy., Victoria. Nav. Cont. Impressed. *Mounted on black felt backing board, minor edge bump, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$5,000

Boy Charles Edward Holmes, born 27Jun1883, Enl.03Mar1899 at age 15, Service No.71 with Victorian Naval Contingent; Initially sworn in on 08Mar1899; Emb.30Jul1900 on S.S.Salamis; Emb.02Apr1901 on S.S.Chingtu; Arrived Sydney 25Apr1901 and then quarantined; Disch.13Jul1901 to the shore; Enl.01Sep1910 for 3 years and then on 01Jul1912 for 7 years; served as Leading Seaman on Parramatta 01-27Jul1911, as Petty Officer 1st class on HMAS Parramatta 28Jul1911-15Jun1912, HMAS Cerberus 16Jun-20Jun1912, London Depot 01Jul1912-21Jun1913, HMAS Australia 22Jun-02Aug1913; critically injured in accident on board ship 01Aug1913 fractured skull, broken collarbone and shoulder blade; Died of injuries 02Aug1913.

Charles Edward Holmes was killed as the result of an accident on board the Royal Australian Navy's first flagship, HMAS Australia. The following report was published in The Argus newspaper in Melbourne, Thursday 21 August 1913, p6.

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'A cable message from Cape Town yesterday conveyed the news that the first fatal accident had occurred on board the Commonwealth flagship Australia, shortly after the new Dreadnought left Cape St. Vincent. Petty Officer Charles Edward Holmes was the victim, a derrick falling on his head. Unusual interest attaches to the accident, owing to the fact that the unfortunate young sailor was well known in naval and military circles here. He was only 30 years of age, and a resident of Twyford Street, Williamstown where he leaves a new wife and two young children to mourn their loss.

The late Petty Officer Holmes, in the capacity of a bugler boy, went to China with the Victorian Contingent at the time of the Boxer Rebellion serving under Captain Tickell. On returning he joined the Victorian naval forces and gained the rank of Seaman. Subsequently Petty Officer Holmes served in the Royal Australian Garrison Artillery, being stationed at Queenscliff, showing special ability in handling the little steam launch Mars. When the Australian naval service was made especially attractive, Holmes again enlisted and formed a member of the crew of the destroyer Parramatta. He afterwards went to England to obtain experience prior to joining the Australian flagship.'

With copy of original Certificate of Service and newspaper article that also includes a photo of Petty Officer Charles Edward Holmes.



3266*

China War Medal 1900. J.C.Lamb, A.B., H.M.S.Protector. Impressed. *A few small marks in the obverse field and some edge nicks, otherwise extremely fine and scarce.*

\$7.000

Able Seaman 1st Class John Clark Lamb; Emb.06Aug1900 on HMCS Protector from South Australia; RTA 06Jan1901 on HMCS Protector. The medals and gratuities awarded to the officers and crew of the Protector were distributed by the Lieutenant-Governor Sir Samuel Way, Bart, at the Port Adelaide Town Hall on 30 May 1903.



3267* **China War Medal 1900.** E.T.Pittaway, A.B., N.S.Wales Nav. Contgt. Impressed. *Nearly extremely fine.*

\$2,500

Able Seaman Edward Thomas Pittaway, Service No.65; Enl.Jul1900 with D Squadron, NSW Naval Contingent; Emb.08Aug1900 on S.S.Salamis; Arrived Taku 09Sep1900 and then to Tientsin a week later; on abortive operation to Peitang 20Sep1900; to Peking 10Oct1900; to Tientsin 06Nov1900 for garrison and police duties; Emb.02Apr1901 on S.S.Chingtu; Arrived Sydney 25Apr1901 and then quarantined; Disemb.03May1901 Sydney and discharged.

With research and copy of H.M.S. New South Wales Contingent medal roll.

MM for Conspicuous Bravery at Sausage Valley, France



3268*

Military Medal, (GVR type 1). 8385 Cpl W.Baxter. 18/By:Aust:A. Impressed. *Swing mounted, small edge nick, otherwise very fine.*

\$1,000

Together with French Commemorative War Medal 1914-1918, with original ribbon which is damaged; modern colour patch for 6 Aust (Army) Fld Arty Bde on descriptive card.

MM: LG 9/12/1916, p12054; CAG 19/4/1917, p927.

Citation: for conspicuous bravery on 7th August 1916 at Sausage Valley. When the Battery was shelled out, Baxter carried wounded men to safety under heavy fire and returning, immediately dug out two Sergeants who were buried and helped cover the bodies of four men who were killed. He is an excellent soldier who has, on several occasions, set a splendid example to his comrades. On 7th May when the Bridoux Salient was attacked he did good work as a runner.

William Baxter, labourer, age 34, born at London, England; Enl.31Oct1914 (No.151) at Adelaide, Sth Aus, with 10 years previous service with Royal Horse Artillery; Court Martial 21Apr1915; Court Martial Prisoner Under Escort from Rabaul, German New Guinea and struck of strength of A.N.&M. E.F. 19May1915; Disch.21May1915; Re-Enl.28Aug1915 (No.8385) at Adelaide, Sth Aust; Emb.24Nov1915; to join MEF 21Dec1915; to France 23Mar1916; to Bomber (Temp) 7May1916; to Corporal (Temp) 21May1916 and confirmed 15Jun1916; awarded MM in the field 08Nov1916; to Sergeant 18Nov1916; WIA 04Jun1917 gas shell poisoning, France; RTA 21Mar1919; Disch.29Jun1919.

Private Baxter was court martialled in Rabaul, German New Guinea on 15 April 1915 on the following charges,

- (1) When on Active Service neglecting to obey a garrison standing order in that he at Rabaul on April 2nd, 1915 was in "Chinatown" without being provided with the authorised pass.
- (2) When on Active service drunkenness in that he at Rabaul on April 2nd was drunk in Chinatown.
- (3) When on Active Service striking his superior officer in the execution of his duty in that he at Rabaul on April 2nd, 1915 struck Sergeant B.Roy of the Garrison Police with his fist.
- (4) When on Active Service when in confinement, escaping in that he at Rabaul on April 6th 1915 when in confinement awaiting trial did escape.

(5) When on Active Service drunkenness in that he, at Rabaul on April 6th, 1915 was found drunk, after having escaped from confinement.

Baxter pleaded guilty to all charges except item 3. After a lengthy hearing involving several witness for and against the defendant he was found guilty of all charges except item 3 and was sentenced to be imprisoned with hard labour for 6 months. Two months' imprisonment was remitted by Order-in-Council No 648 of 1915.

With copy of Gazette and Service File including a full account of his Court Martial (41pp).

KIA at the Battle of Rafa in the Sinai



3269

British War Medal 1914-18 To KIA. 1037 Pte. J.Paul Cml. Cps. A.I.F. Impressed. *Edge bumps and nicks, otherwise good fine.*

\$500

Joseph (Anthony) Paul, horse breaker, age 23, born at Merriwa, NSW; Enl.30Nov1915 at Liverpool, NSW in 1st Reinfts Camel Corps; Emb.27May1916; joined as Rfts the Aust Coy's of ICC (Imperial Camel Corps) 27May1916; TOS ICC 18Jul1916; KIA 09Jan1917 at Battle of Rafa, Sinai; buried alongside 1543 Pte Bailey of 3Bn in one grave at Rafa over which a wooden cross was erected 09Jan1917, burial service conducted by Lt-Col Langley OC 1Bn ICC; advice dated 06Jan1920 that remains exhumed and re-interred in El Arish Military Cemetery, Egypt, South South West of Gaza; advice dated 20Dec1921 that remains re-exhumed and removed to an established Military Cemetery at Kantar, Egypt.

WWI Served in Medical Corps - Received Rescue Award as a Police Officer in the 1889 Floods Along the Cooks River at Canterbury, Sydney, NSW



3270*

British War Medal 1914-18 and civilian rescue award. 9201 MT-DVR H.J.Plunkett. AMC. A.I.F. Impressed. No ribbon, extremely fine.

\$1,000

Together with 15ct gold medal (25mm; 5.3gm), hand crafted and engraved, obverse, 'Presented/By/Farrow/Concert/Committee/To/Constable Plunkett', reverse, 'For/Brave effort to/Save Life and/Bus (?) in Flood/27.5.89/ Canterbury N.S.W.'; also silver shooting medal (29x33mm), by W.Kerr, with suspension loop, obverse, crossed rifle on shield with garter belt around and this inscribed, 'H.Plunkett', reverse inscribed, 'N.S.W.Rifle Clubs' Union 1902-3/A Grade/2nd/Police R.C.

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 99 (lot 2190).

Rescue award: On the weekend of 25-27 May 1889, seventeen inches of rain fell in Sydney and all the low lying land was flooded, especially the river flats of Campsie, Canterbury and Marrickville. At about 1 pm on 27 May on the return trip, the driver of the Canterbury horse-bus found that the water had covered the bridge much more than on its earlier, outward trip. Nevertheless, he tried to cross the bridge and during the crossing the four horses attached to the vehicle were swept off their feet, and the animals and bus were swept away. The fare boy and all four horses were drowned and the bus smashed to a heap of splintered driftwood. Fortunately the driver and passenger managed to reach safety, being dragged out of the floodwaters by rescuers. Constable Plunkett made a desperate attempt to save the fare boy. Unfortunately he failed and in a thoroughly exhausted condition he was saved by some local Chinamen who were local market gardeners.

Driver Henry James Plunkett, Sergeant of Police (joined NSW Police Force c1886), age 45, born at Bristol, England; Enl.17Jul1915 at Warwick Farm with previous volunteer service with 4 Coy 2nd Regt Infy 1878-9; Emb.22Dec1915 with Dermatological Hospital, AMC; 28Sep1916 AMC Training Depot; 13Oct1916 detached for service with Bulford Military

Hospital; 25Jun1917 to France; 26Sep1917 Medical Board hearing at Havre classified Plunkett as 'PB' age and debility and sent to England; RTA 01Nov1917; Disch.12Feb1918; name recorded on NSW Police Chapel

With folder of research.



3271*

Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (EIIR type 1). Sen. Const. Percival E. Yon. Engraved. In Royal Mint case of issue with spare ribbon, toned extremely fine.

\$200

Percival Edward Yon was born 12 September 1898 at Crystal Brook, South Australia. In WWI he served in the AIF enlisting on 1 June 1918 at Adelaide. He embarked for overseas on 22 October 1918 but was recalled about 20 December and discharged on 31 January 1919. He married in South Australia. The above medal type was issued to British police but extended to Australian police in 1956 so presumably this medal was issued to Constable Yon in between 1956 and 1958 when he would have been in the age range of 58-60.

With copy of Australian Marriage Index showing Yon married in South Australia.

Single replica medals, includes various classes of the Order of Australia from Companion down to the Medal of the Order, also an Australian coat of arms in gilt (85x67mm) and some spare ribbon, all with plain reverse and a few marked Copy. Seven single orders or medals and one coat of arms, uncirculated.

\$100

Single replica medals, Cross of Valour; Star of Gallantry; Star of Courage; Distinguished Service Cross; Conspicuous Service Cross; Nursing Service Cross; Medal for Gallantry; Bravery Medal; Distinguished Service Medal; Conspicuous Service Medal; Commendation for Gallantry; Commendation for Brave Conduct; Commendation for Distinguished Service; Unit Citation for Gallantry (type without star); Meritorious Unit Citation (type without star). Ten medals and five citations, all medals with plain reverses and mostly marked Copy, extremely fine - uncirculated.

Single replica medals, Public Service Medal; Australian Police Medal; Australian Fire Service Medal; Australian Antarctic Medal; Australian Active Service Medal 1991, - clasp - Somalia; Australian Service Medal 1988, - clasp - Gulf; Police Overseas Service Medal; Defence Force Service Medal; Reserve Force Decoration; Reserve Force Medal; National Medal; Champion Shots Medal. Twelve medals, all with plain reverse and all except the second last marked Copy, uncirculated.

\$120

AUSTRALIAN GROUPS



3275*

Pair: China War Medal 1900; Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (GVR type 1). R.S.Malone, C.P.O., N.S.Wales Nav. Contgt. on first medal, P.O. R.S.Malone on second medal. Both medals impressed. *Swing mounted, a few small edge bumps, otherwise very fine*

\$3,500

CPO R.S.Malone; Emb.08Aug1900 on SS Salamis; RTA 25Apr1901 on SS Chingtu.

On Wednesday Night 15May 1901 a gathering in Queen Victoria Markets Hall of petty officers and men made a presentation to Captain Gillespie who commanded the NSW Naval Contingent to China. The presentation was made by the State Premier on the eve of Captain Gillespie's departure from Sydney. CPO R.S.Malone occupied the chair for the occasion.

On Saturday 18 April 1903 a race was held on Sydney Harbour between a team of blue jackets from HMS Royal Arthur and a team from the NSW Naval Brigade using 2 Naval Brigade whalers altered to suit the men and conducted over a course extending from the HMS Royal Arthur round Shark Island and back, a distance of five shore miles. The Naval Brigade team was AB Calcraft, CPO Pulsford, AB Price, AB Empson, AB Woodcock and the coxswain was R.S.Malone. The Jack-tars from the Royal Arthur won the race easily by a full 12 lengths.

On Saturday 17 May 1913 Sir George King Hall, Admiral Commanding-in-Chief, presented medals for volunteer officers' decoration and also long service and good conduct at a ceremony held on a dais under the lee of the figurehead of the century-old Nelson, the first ship of Australia's navy, flanked by a guard of smart young Australians serving under the universal training system. One of the recipients presented with a long service and good conduct medal was Petty Officer R.S.Malone of the NSW Naval Brigade.



3276*

Pair: China War Medal 1900; Royal Naval Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (GVR with swivelling suspender). F.W.Naylor, A.B., N.S.Wales Nav. Contgt. on first medal, A.B. F.Naylor on second medal. Both medals impressed. *Polished and some contact marks on second medal, otherwise very fine.*

\$3,000

A Coy 216 Able Seaman F.W.Naylor; Emb.08Aug1900 on SS Salamis; RTA 25Apr1901 on SS Chingtu.

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In May 1915 members of the Naval Comrades Association were invited to attend the funeral of F.W.Naylor (ex Secretary of the Association) to be held at Sutherland Cemetery.

3277

Group of Eight: 1914 Star, - clasp - 5th Aug.-22Nov. 1914; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19; 1939-35 Star; Pacific Star; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45; Efficiency Medal (GVIR) with Australia suspender bar and two clasps. L/Cpl D.Cox 2 W.York.R on first medal, 8915 A.C.Sjt D.Cox W.York.R. on second and third, VX129281 D.Cox on fourth to seventh medals, VX129281 S/Sgt D.Cox A.M.P. on eighth medal. Last medal engraved, all others impressed. Mounted and framed with photo and metal name plaque (frame 44.5x24.3cm). Very fine.

\$600

David Cox, foreman sheet & metal worker, born London, England, 1901; Served in Gallipoli and France in WWI with the West Yorkshire Regiment; WWII: Enl.03Jul1940 in Seymour, Vic; Served in New Guinea and BCOF Japan

Together with Certificate of Discharge from the West Yorkshire Regiment, dated 16th April 1918 (certificate with tears to edges and silver fish holes), and twelve pages of his Australian service record.

DSO Group to Camel Corps Officer for Conspicuous Gallantry in the Battle of Tel El Khuweilfe. Palestine



3278*

DSO Group of Six to Camel Corps: Distinguished Service Order (GVR); 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19 with MID; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. First medal unnamed as issued, 5009 Sjt E.W.Dixon. 12/A.S.C. A.I.F. on second medal, Captain. E.W.Dixon. A.I.F. on third and fourth medals, V17506 E.W.Dixon on last two medals. All named medals impressed. *Swing mounted by INCE Bros, Tailors, Melbourne, the cypher on reverse of DSO is slightly rotated, otherwise very fine.*

\$15,000

Together with a silvered Australian Camel Corps collar badge, pin-back but missing pin; also a spare MID emblem; stirrup from camel saddle.

 $DSO: LG\ 18/2/1918,\ p2156;\ CAG\ 12/12/1918,\ p2347,\ to\ Lt\ E.W. Dixon,\ Anzac\ Imperial\ Camel\ Corps.\ (For\ action\ at\ Tel\ El\ Khuweilfe)$

Citation: For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During an attack, the enemy in turn counter attacked on the flank of the battalion. He at once grasped the situation, took command of more than 200 men of various units, and held on to a portion of rising ground which was vital to the whole position. Having driven off the attack, he remained in command of the hill for two days, the retention of which vital point was entirely due to his personal example and courage.

 $MID: (First) \ LG \ 6/7/1917, p6772; CAG \ 2/9/1920, p1143, to \ 2Lt \ E.W. Dixon, \ 3rd \ Anzac \ Bn, \ Imperial \ Camel \ Corps \ (late \ Aust \ Light \ Horse). (Second) \ 14/6/1918, p6451; CAG \ 2/9/1920, p1144, to \ Lt \ E.W. Dixon, \ 3rd \ Anzac \ Bn, \ Imperial \ Camel \ Corps.$

Ernest William Dixon, grazier and horse shipper, age 34, born at St Kilda, Vic; Enl.11Nov1914 at Melbourne, Vic, with previous service of 7 years with Madras Volunteer Guards, and to camp at Broadmeadows; to Sgt 10Dec1914 with 12 Coy ASC; Emb.02Feb1915 with 3 LH Bde Train; ops in Egypt from 02Mar1915; to RSM 03Jan1916; to 2/Lieut 01Sep1916; to 1st Camel Corps Bn 10Oct1916; to 3rd Anzac Camel Bn 01Nov1916; to 15LHR as Adjutant 01Jul1918: ceased ops in Sinai and Palestine 31Oct1918; RTA 29Apr1919 with 10LHR; Appt terminated 10Aug1919 and to Reserve of Officers; WWII: Enl.15Jul1941 at Royal Park, Vic and appt Captain; Disch.18Jan1944 as Captain ex 9 Garrison Bn; Died 01Mar1960 and was cremated at Springvale Crematorium, Springvale, Vic.

In Bean's Official History of WWI Volume 7 he details Dixon's action at Tel El Khuweilfe on 6 November. The 1/1st Herefords were falling back with no officers when Dixon and about 30 of his men dashed out, waving his hat and led the British men back into the line. The next day Dixon led a force of the Camels against Tel El Khuweilfe and rushed up the slopes with bayonets and hand grenades, and after a brief struggle the Turks fled. Dixon is also mentioned in The Fighting Cameliers by Frank Reid, pp163/4 and 167.

 $Together\ with\ copy\ of\ Service\ File\ and\ other\ research\ and\ a\ medals\ storage\ wallet.$

Note: See lot 3405 from a different vendor for historic photograph collection featuring Captain E.W.Dixon.

MC for Conspicuous Gallantry During an Offensive East of Ypres

MM for Bravery at Morlancourt, France



3279

Group of Four: Military Cross; 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. First medal unnamed, 171 Spr E.E.Dilworth 2 F.C.Eng A.I.F. on second medal, Lieut E.E.Dilworth A.I.F. on third and fourth medals. The named medals impressed. *Very fine.*

\$3,500

Recommendation for MC - 'During the operations east of Ypres on 4th October 1917, this officer was engaged in the construction of a strong point near Molehaarelsthoek. To reach the site it was necessary to pass through several retaliatory barrages, and through his able leadership and magnificent example of devotion to duty all was accomplished as required. Having set his party to work he personally reconnoitered his surroundings and captured a German Officer and batman in a dugout. By searching the officer and his belongings Lieut Dilworth was enabled to obtain and send back to Brigade Headquarters some valuable information, including many maps. Later on when his work was subjected to exceedingly heavy shelling he set a magnificent example of devotion to duty and personal bravery getting all his men into safe positions.'

MC LG 5/4/1918 - 'For conspicuous gallantry, ability and devotion to duty under heaviest shell fire. During the offensive operations near Glencorse Wood east of Ypres on 20th September 1917, he sited and constructed a very valuable strong point, in the first wave of the attack, under very heavy retaliatory enemy barrage fire. By his magnificent example of determination and leadership during those trying conditions, his party of Sappers and Infantry with stores was successfully organised'.

171 Edward Erskine Dilworth, civil engineer, aged 22 years, born Barkers Creek, Vic; Enl.21Aug1914 at Melbourne, Vic; 2nd Lieut 20Oct1916; Lieut 02May1917; DOW 06May1918.

Together with two pages of research.



3280*

MM Group of Four: Military Medal (GVR type 1); 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 3287 Sjt: J.J.Fox. 53/Aust:Inf: on first medal, 3287 Pte J.J.Fox. 3/Bn. A.I.F. on second medal, 3287 Cpl J.J.Fox. 3 Bn. A.I.F. on last two medals. All medals impressed. *Contact marks, otherwise good fine - very fine.*

\$3,500

Together with King's Silver War badge, reverse numbered A42049, missing loop for securing pin; Returned from Active Service badge (WWI AIF), reverse numbered 160425; fibre compound dog tag, '3287/J.J.Fox/53 Bn/A.I.F./R.C'.

Ex I.S.Wright, Sydney.

MM: LG 11/12/1918, p14669; CAG 14/3/1919, p426.

Recommendation: While in charge of the Battalion Limbers bringing up rations and supplies during the operations near Morlancourt, South West of Albert on 29th July 1918, the enemy put down a very heavy barrage which lasted from 10.15 p.m. to 5 a.m. next morning. Corporal Fox showed great initiative and personal bravery in guiding his limbers through the barrage and delivering his load safely at its destination. While returning one of his limbers was hit by a shell and the wounded and maddened mules ran away. Corporal Fox at once put his remaining limber in a place of safety and galloped after the mules, finally securing them and bringing them back to the limber, which he repaired under very heavy shell fire, and was ultimately successful in getting back to the Transport Lines notwithstanding the heavy barrage.

James Joseph Fox, carter, age 24, born at Ashfield, Sydney, NSW; Enl.18Jul1915 at Liverpool, NSW; Emb.02Nov1915 as reinforcement for 3Bn and to camp at Tel El Kebir; TOS 53Bn 16Feb1916; Appt'd Coy Driver 14Mar1916; to L/Cpl 27Aug1916; to Cpl 14Feb1918; RTA 04Jan1919 with Chronic Rheumatism; Disch.20Apr1919 as Medically Unfit; Died 02Oct1941 suddenly at his home in Kurrajong, NSW and was buried at the Catholic Cemetery at Rookwood.

Together with copy of Service File, other research including photo in civilian attire and wearing medal group.

Group of Six: 1914-45 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. 1075 Pte B.J.Merritt. 10 Bn. A.I.F. on first three medals, VX24657 B.J.Merritt on last three medals. All medals impressed. *With swing mounting bar but not attached, cleaned, otherwise very fine.*

\$300

Together with modern 10 Aust Infy Bn colour patch on a descriptive card.

Benjamin John Merritt, baker, born 29Aug1900 at Wilmington, Sth Aust; Enl.09Sep1914 at Morphettville, Adelaide, Sth Aust; Emb.20Oct1914 with 10Bn; to ops in Gallipoli 25Apr1915; WIA 25Apr1915 at Gallipoli, GSW left hand, self inflicted, evacuated; Court Martialled and sentenced to prison; later ops in Flanders and France; various offences and several stays in hospital with VD throughout his term of service; RTA20Oct1918; Disch.06May1919; WWII: Enl.10Jun1940 at Caulfield, Melbourne, Vic; to Provost Corps at Broadmeadows 13Jun1940; Emb.14Sep1940; to camp at Sarafand, Palestine 13Oct1940; sick with adenitis (inflammation of a gland) 20Dec1940; RTA 22Jun1941 on Hospital Ship Manunda with duodenal ulcer; Disemb.07Jul1941 at Melbourne and to 115th Military Hospital; Disch.06Aug1941 as Private ex Aust Depot Bn, Medically Unfit; Died 26May1962 at age 67.

Merritt stated his age as 19 years when he enlisted in 1914. On his enlistment for WWII service he states his birth date as 29 August 1900. That means he would have been only 14 years and 11 days of age when he enlisted in WWI and at the Gallipoli landing, still only 14 years of age. However, he was married when he enlisted in WWI so it seems unlikely that he was only 14. It seems more likely that he has altered his birth date to lower his age so he could enlist in WWII since by 1940 he would have been about 45 years old. When he joined the militia (Army No.297222) on 14 August 1931, on his attestation form he shows his birth date as 29 August 1895 which aligns with his age of 19 when he enlisted in the AIF in 1914. Also when he died in 1962 his age was stated as 67.

With research and a copy of Service File.

3282

Group of Five: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. 535 Pte R.C.Corr 8 L.H.R. A.I.F. on first and third medals, as 535 Pte H.C.Corr on second medal, V502271 R.C.Corr on fourth and fifth medals. All medals impressed and mounted for wear. *Very fine -extremely fine.*

\$1,350

Reginald Clarke Corr, 8th L.H.R. clerk, aged 26 years, born Warrnambool, Vic; Enl.30Dec1914; WIA 23Jun1915 and 19Jul1918; RTA 07Jan1919; WWII: Enl.03Oct1942; Disch.14Sept1948 as L/Sgt ex A/CS.

Together with Anzac Commemorative Medal (C.1915/3) and lapel badge named to R.C.Corr.

3283

Trio: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 162 Pte A.R.A.Brock 8/L.H. A.I.F. All medals impressed. *Good very fine.*

\$900

162 Trooper Arthur Robert Arundell Brock, 8th L.H.R. A Squadron; station overseer and bookkeeper, aged 30 years, born in South Africa; Enl.13Nov1914 at Broadmeadows, VIC; WIA 11Aug1916 Abbassia, GSW right forearm; RTA 26Sep1916; Disch 01Apr1917.

Together with Returned from Active Service badge No.57696.

Group to a Stoker on HMAS Sydney Who Runs Amok and is Killed by Ship's Guard



3284*

Trio: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. O.N.2527 D.B.Gordon. Stoker on first medal, 2527 D.B.Gordon. Sto. R.A.N. on second medal, 2527 D.B.Gordon. Stoker. R.A.N. on last medal. All medals impressed. *Toned and nearly uncirculated.*

\$2,000

David Bruce Gordon, born 13Aug1892 at North Fitzroy, Vic; Enl.02Jan1913 in RAN for 7 years; served as Stoker II with Cerberus 02Jan-19Feb1913, and Encounter 20Feb-16May1913; deserted from HMAS Encounter on 16May1913 and arrested; ruled not to be claimed for further service and discharged; Enl.24Aug1914 in RAN for 5 years; served as Stoker II with Cerberus 24Aug-22Sep1914, Melbourne 23Sep1914 - 30Jun1915; then as Stoker with Melbourne 01Jul1915-19Jan1916, Sydney 20Jan-04Mar1916; killed on board Sydney by misadventure; buried in Naval Burial Ground, Fort Augusta, Kingston Memorial No.1, Jamaica.

David Bruce Gordon first enlisted in the RAN and was allocated number 2527. After he was discharged for desertion and ruled unfit for service with the RAN he subsequently enlisted again but failed to mention his previous service. He was allocated number 4009 but A/Director of Naval Accounts discovered his previous service in September 1915 but it was decided to take no action until he returned to Australia. Thus when he died O.N.4009 was the number recorded against his name on the memorial plaque at the Naval Burial Ground in Jamaica and also the number recorded for the enquiry into his death. At a later date, his prior service and all of his records were amalgamated under the original service number of O.N.2527 and this is the number on his service medals.

An enquiry into the circumstances of O.N.4009 Stoker D.B.Gordon's death on board HMAS Sydney at Kingston on Saturday 4 March 1916 was held by the commander of HMAS Sydney, Captain J.T.Glossop C.B., RAN on 10 March 1916 and his letter of the outcome of such was forwarded to the Commander-in-Chief for North America and West Indies. It was found that Stoker Gordon 'died through misadventure by impaling himself on the bayonet of a guard of HMAS Sydney who was acting in the performance of his duty, and to whom no blame is attachable.'

During the enquiry one of the witnesses called was Stoker Wilfred Wright O.N.1164. He stated as follows, 'I was lying on the mess stool and saw Stoker Gordon with a fork in his hand jabbing at things on the mess table, as he appeared to be drunk I thought he was going to do some damage so I got off the stool and saw him make a lunge at Stoker Roberts and brought the fork down into the table. A minute or two afterwards I saw Stoker Gordon go into the tube and bring with him a Branch Pipe. He came back into his own mess and first knocked over a fanny of tea then he started with the plates and basins: he went from our mess to Nos. 12 and 10 messes doing the same with their crockery, he did the same with the Leading Stoker's mess.

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He came over then and stood between the torpedo hatch and the Corporal's mess and I heard him say "I have nothing to live for" and saw him go to his cap box which was on the bag rack and draw a razor from it. He went back to the centre of the deck again and opened out the razor, still having the Branch Pipe in his hand. He put the razor up to his throat but he did not seem as if he cut himself but after bringing his hand down he saw blood all over his hand and said "blood, that's what I like". The next I saw was the escort come down and I went into the tunnel tube so did not see anything further.'

Another witness, Chief Stoker Thomas McCleery O.N.7841 stated as follows, 'Between ten and five minutes to four I was sat in my mess and Stoker Dott came to the mess and called out "There is a Stoker cast loose on the Stokers' after mess deck." I immediately got up and went to that mess deck. When I got to the foot of the ladder I looked round and saw Stoker Gordon with a Branch Pipe in his hand smashing up all the plates and basins. I made a rush for him but he made at me with the Branch Pipe: then he rushed across the deck, I went to follow and he seized a razor, someone called out "Stand clear, he's got a razor", then he rushed towards the Corporal's mess and smashed the Watch Bill there. I went to go forward the Starboard side when I heard the Guard was on the deck. The next thing I saw was the Guard come to the charge. Stoker Gordon made a rush at the Guard with a Branch Pipe and struck at him, and I saw the bayonet close to his left shoulder. He then fell and I closed up and saw the blood flowing from his face and then from his shoulder. He was then picked up and carried to the torpedo hatch.'

When asked "Did you see Stoker Gordon inflict any wound on himself with the razor?" the witness responded, "I saw Stoker Gordon as he was falling with an open razor in his hand inflict a wound across either his face or neck."

Some witnesses stated that Stoker Gordon was addicted to alcohol and they had previously seen him drunk and violent.

A medical witness, Surgeon Leonard Darby RAN was asked as to whether he was aware that Stoker Gordon had come on board drunk and in a violent condition 56 hours before his breaking out on the mess deck. He answered, 'Yes, I am aware of that and the condition in spite of this may have been due to a delayed attack of Delirium Tremens, or the man may have from hereditary been of unbalanced mind with occasional irrepressible tendencies such as the desire to commit suicide. The irrepressible tendency probably was stimulated by alcohol excess.'

Note: Delirium Tremens (DTs) is a rapid onset of confusion usually caused by withdrawal from alcohol. When it occurs, it is often three days into the withdrawal symptoms and lasts for two to three days.

With copy of comprehensive Service File including Minutes of the Board of Enquiry all housed in a large blue binder.

3285

Trio to KIA at Gallipoli: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 191 Sjt J Linn. 13/Bn. A.I.F. on first medal, 191 Sgt. J.Linn. 13-Bn. A.I.F. on last two medals. All medals impressed. *Good very fine*.

\$300

Together with a modern 13 Aust Infy Bn colour patch on a descriptive card

John Linn, pattern maker, age 23, born at Glasgow, Lanarkshire, Scotland; attended Garrioch Public School at Glasgow and served in Boys Brigade; Enl.09Oct1914 at Rosehill, Sydney, NSW; to Sgt 11Dec1914; to MEF Gallipoli 30Apr1915 with 13Bn; KIA 22May1915 at Gallipoli; Buried at Shrapnel Gully, Gallipoli.

With a copy of Particulars for Roll of Honour of Australia in the Memorial War Museum.

3286

Trio: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 3425 Pte H.P.Morris 14 B/n A.I.F. All medals impressed. Medals without ribbons. *Nearly extremely fine*.

3425 Harold Percy Morris, labourer, aged 19 years, born Perth, WA; Enl.19Jul1915 at Shepparton, Vic; KIA 28Aug1916 Moquet Farm, Pozieres, France.

3287

Trio: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. Lieut R.M.Oliver 24 Bn A.I.F. on first medal, Lieut R.M.Oliver A.I.F. on second and third medals. All medals impressed. *Medals without ribbons, very fine.*

\$500

Richard Mill Oliver, insurance clerk, aged 26 years, born West Melbourne, Vic; Enl.27Apr1915; WIA 09Oct1917 Zonnebeke, Belgium; RTA 15Feb1918.

Together with Returned from Active Service badge No.57696.

3288

Trio: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. O.N. 3321 A.E.Spain Off.Stwd on first medal, 3321 A.E.Spain Off.Std.3. R.A.N. on second and third. All medals impressed. *Good very fine*.

\$550

3321 Albert Edward Spain served with HMAS Pioneer 23 Jun 1914-07 Nov 1916.

Together with a Mexican eight reales coin 1850GC. HMAS Pioneer visited Cocos Islands two weeks after the HMAS Sydney/SMS Emden battle. Some crew members from HMAS Sydney purchased Mexican eight reales coins salvaged by local people from the wreck of SMS Emden.

3289

Trio: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 310 Pte F.G. Wakelin 32 Bn A.I.F. on first medal, Lieut F.G. Wakelin A.I.F. on second and third medals. All medals impressed. *Very fine.*

\$550

Lieut Francis Godfrey Wakelin, clerk, aged 20 years, born Sydney, NSW; Enl.08Jun1915 at Keswick, Sth Aust; Emb.16Nov1915; Sgt 16Nov1915; Lieut 25Nov1915; 2nd Lieut 02Aug1916; WIA 19Jul1916 GSW to arm, Fromelles, France; RTA 06Jun1919.

3290

Trio: 1914-15 Star; British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 490 Pte G.West. 22 Bn. A.I.F. All medals impressed. *Cleaned, very fine.*

\$130

George West, gardener, age 34, born at Wadhurst, Sussex, England; Enl.09Feb1915 at Sale, Melbourne, Vic; Emb.08May1915; Injured knee at Heliopolis while skirmishing 17May1915; to No.1 Aust Gen Hosp, Heliopolis 24Jun1915; RTA 04Sep1915 with septic bursitis of knee for a change; Disemb.30Sep1915; Disch.18May1916 Medically Unfit.

With copy of Service File.

MM to Stretcher Bearer for Conspicuous Gallantry at Hamel. France

MM for Conspicuous Gallantry in Attack on Ville-Sur-Ancre. France



3291*

MM Group of Five: Military Medal (GVR type 1); British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. 13432 Pte W.J.Clarke. 13/F.A.Aust.A.M.C. on first medal, 13432 T-Cpl. W.J.Clarke.13-F.Amb. A.I.F. on second and third medals, V81138 W.J.Clarke on last two medals. All medals impressed. Display mounted, third ribbon with some marks, some contact marks on a few medals, otherwise very fine - good very fine.

\$2,900

Together with medalet for Honor to the A.I.F./Anzac Day, 1918, in bronze (27mm) (C.1918/2).

MM: LG 21/10/1918, p12421; CAG 12/2/1919, p272.

Recommendation: At about 4 a.m. on 4-7-1918 near Hamel East of Corbie Private Clarke whilst stretcher-bearing showed conspicuous gallantry. He was seen to carry wounded through an enemy barrage with the utmost coolness and contempt of personal danger. Though many times under heavy shell and machine gun fire he continued to carry with conspicuous coolness and courage throughout the whole battle.

William James Clarke, iron moulder, age 23, born at Parkside, Sth Aust; Enl.16Feb1916 at Adelaide, Sth Aust while serving in 7AGH and previously rejected for service due to a cleft palate; Emb.11Apr1916; joined 13 F.Amb 24Aug1916; WIA 07Apr1917 SW side and left elbow, France; WIA 05Jun1917 SW buttock, France; awarded MM RO No. 40 of 31Jul1918, France; to T/Cpl 03Mar1919 in Belgium; RTA 21Jun1919; Disch.28Sep1919. WWII: Enl.09Oct1939 at Melbourne, Vic; Disch.22Oct1945 as Corporal ex Murchison PW Group (Murchison Prisoner of War Group). The POW camp at Murchison in the Tatura District of Victoria housed Italian, German and Japanese prisoners of war including Kriegsmarine survivors from the HSK Kormoran.

With research.



3292*

MM Trio: Military Medal (GVR type 1); British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 4542 Pte V.E.Splatt. 22/Aust:Inf: on first medal, 4542 Pte. V.E.Splatt. 22-Bn. A.I.F. on last two medals. All medals impressed. *Display mounted, contact marks, otherwise very fine.*

\$3,000

Together with modern 22 Aust Infy Bn colour patch on descriptive card.

MM: Supplement to London Gazette 7/10/1918, p11841; CAG: 12/2/1919, p261.

Recommendation: For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during the attack on Ville-Sur-Ancre on the morning of the 19th inst. This man was acting as Company Runner, and though wounded whilst advancing onto the enemy position, he remained on duty and refused to go to the R.A.P. He rendered invaluable assistance to his Company Commander in maintaining communication with the Platoon in the advanced posts, passing many times across the most exposed positions under severe M.G. fire. He continued to carry messages, and rendered splendid service right throughout the operation.

Victor Edwin Splatt, carter, age 22, born at Greensborough, Vic; Enl.22Jan1916 at Melbourne, Vic; Emb.29Mar1916; TOS 22Bn 05Oct1916; WIA 03May1917 GSW to leg, France; WIA 19May1918 but remained on duty; recorded award of MM in France 18Jun1918; RTA 29May1919; Disemb.22Jul1919 and discharged.

With copies of Gazette and Service File.



Group of Four: British War Medal 1914-18; Mercantile Marine War Medal 1914-18; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. G.Kirkwood 3378 Australia on first two medals, T255439 G.A.E.Kirkwood on last two medals. All medals impressed. *Cleaned and display mounted, good very fine.*

\$300

George Alfred Emanuel Kirkwood, born 14Dec1893 at Launceston, Tas; served in WWI with Merchant Navy; after WWI Kirkwood worked as a barman at the Renown Hotel in Launceston, Tas; WWII: Enl.07Nov1939 at Hobart, Tas; Disch.18Feb1944 Medically Unfit, as Sergeant ex Accounts Office.

With copy of WWII Service File.

3294

Trio: British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. 2580 Pte W.A.Candy. 1 Pnr. Bn. A.I.F. on first two medals, N3388687 W.A.Candy on last medal. All medals impressed. *The second medal with several scratches on reverse, otherwise fine - very fine.*

\$120

William Arthur Candy, carpenter, age 22, born at Surry Hills, Sydney, NSW; Enl.15May1916 at Sydney, NSW with previous service of 3 years with St Georges Rifles; Emb.24Aug1916; RTA 12Jun1919; Disch.27Jul1919; WWII: Enl.16Jan1942 at Paddington, Sydney, NSW; Disch.05Nov1943 as Sergeant ex 34 Aust L of C Salvage Section.

Light Horseman Listed as Probable Participant in Charge at Beersheba



3295*

Pair to Light Horse at Beersheba: British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 2125 Pte. H.J.H.Hays. 12-L.H.R. A.I.F. Both medals impressed but second medal renamed. *Display mounted, very fine.*

\$400

Herbert John Hawkins Hays, fitter at Sulphide Corporation, Newcastle, NSW, age 28, born at Wickham, Newcastle, NSW; Enl.13Dec1916 at RAS Showground, Sydney, NSW in 7 Rft 2&4 Camel Regt; Emb.03Feb1917; TOS 4LHR 11Mar1917; TOS C Sqn 12LHR 13May1917; to hospital ill 30May1917; rejoined unit 13Jun1917; to rest camp at Port Said 28Aug1917; rejoined unit 07Sep1917; to 4th Trg Regt 29Jan1918; rejoined unit 03Feb1918; various hospital and rest camp stays; RTA 07Apr1919; Disch.17May1919; Died at Royal Newcastle Hospital in November 1951 and after a service at Sacred Heart Church, Hamilton, was buried at the Catholic Cemetery, Sandgate.

Recorded on the Australian Light Horse Association list of probable participants in the Charge at Beersheba.

With research.

3296

Pair to Light Horse: British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 3607 Pte. M.A.Luck. 3 L.H.R. A.I.F. Both medals impressed. *Display mounted, nearly uncirculated.*

\$150

Together with modern 3rd Light Horse Regiment colour patch on descriptive card.

Martin Albert Luck, tailor, age 31, born at Eudunda, Sth Aust; Enl.04Aug1917 at Adelaide, Sth Aust in 33 Reinfts 9LHR; Emb.30Apr1918; TOS 3LHR 24Aug1918; RTA 15May1919; Disch.12Jul1919; operated a Tailor's shop at Hindmarsh, Sth Aust; Martin Albert Luck died on 24May1951 at Repatriation Hospital, Springbank, Adelaide, Sth Aust.

With copy of Service File.

Pair to WIA: British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 5631 Pte F.W.Mason. 18 Bn. A.I.F. Both medals impressed. *Extremely fine*.

\$150

Together with a modern 18 Aust Infy Bn colour patch on a descriptive card.

Frederick William Mason, plumber, age 27, born at Beaufort, Vic; Enl.17Feb1916 at Ardlethan, NSW; Emb.09Sep1916; TOS 18Bn 27Jan1917; WIA 19May1918 GSW left shoulder, France; RTA 23Sep1918; Disch.01Mar1919 Medically Unfit

Ardlethan is a small town in the heart of the Riverina area of NSW and is famous as the birthplace of the 'Australian Kelpie' dog breed.

With copy of Service File.

KIA When Shell Exploded in Trench at the Battle of Messines, Belgium



3298*

Pair to KIA: British War Medal 1914-18; Victory Medal 1914-19. 6093 Pte. J.Robertson 38 bn. A.I.F. Both medals impressed. *Display mounted, extremely fine.*

\$300

Together with modern 38 Aust Infy Bn colour patch on descriptive card.

James Robertson, compositor, age 31, born at Stawell, Vic (Medical History shows birthplace as Callwadda, Vic - this is in same Wimmera region as Stawell); Enl.10Jun1916 at Horsham, Vic in 19Refts 6Bn; Emb.from Melbourne and Disemb.11Sep1916 at Plymouth; TOS 6Bn 30Sep1916; to France with 38Bn 28Nov1916; KIA 08Jun1917 in the field, Belgium and buried in a shell hole; commemorated on the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial, leper, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

A report of the loss of Pte Robertson written on 7 August 1919 reads as follows. 'He was killed in action, together with several others, on the morning of 8.6.17. The party were sitting talking, having just completed "digging in" when they were killed instantaneously by the burst of a high explosive shell in the front line trench. He was buried during the afternoon (under fire) in a large shell hole a few yards back of the trench, the approximate position of same being 1500 yards South South West of Messines. A cross was not erected at the time owing to the fact that operations were in progress.'

With some research.

MC Group for the First Battle of El Alamein



3299*

MC for El Alamein Group of Eight: Military Cross (GRI); 1939-45 Star; Africa Star, - clasp - 8th Army; Pacific Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45; Efficiency Decoration (EIIR). 1942 on reverse lower arm of first medal, second to fourth medals unnamed, VX14442 G.Stewart on fifth to seventh medals, Lt. Col. G.Stewart C.M.F. on last medal. The first and last medals engraved, the other named medals impressed. *Display mounted, very fine - good very fine.*

\$5,000

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 106 (lot 4017).

MC: LG 24/9/1942, p4155 - to Lt Gordon Stewart for great coolness, courage, enterprise & skill 21/7/42.

Presented by The Governor-General at Government House, Melbourne on 30Nov1945.

Citation: On July 22, 1942, during the operations of an Australian Infantry Brigade, Lieutenant Stewart was acting as Forward Observation Officer with an Australian Infantry Battalion. He showed great coolness and courage under fire. By his enterprise and skill he was continuously in a position to support the Battalion. Several times during the day he engaged armoured fighting vehicles which threatened our troops and on two occasions broke up potential counter attacks. His disregard for his own safety and the dash he showed throughout the attack contributed in no small measure to the successful artillery support of this operation.

The Military Cross was awarded to Lt Stewart during a brigade attack along the Qattara Road during the First Battle of El Alamein 1-27 July 1942 where he was one of three FOOs (Forward Observation Officers).

ED: CAG No.47 29/8/1957, p1907 to 3/114012 Lt. Col. Gordon Stewart M.C., R.Aust Aty (Fld-Branch).

Gordon Stewart, age 24, library assistant, born at Armadale, Victoria; Enl.28Feb1934 in Militia as 442291 Gnr 2 Med Bde RAA; Bdr 01Jul1935; L/Sgt 10May1937; Sgt 01Sep1939; Disch.31May1940; AIF Enl.07May1940 at Caulfield, Victoria; Lieutenant 05Oct1940; T/Captain 12Feb1941; Emb.27Dec1940 for Middle East; 22Nov1941 AIF (ME) School of Artillery; 08Oct1942 MC; RTA 28Feb1943; Emb.31Jul1943 for Pacific campaign; Captain 12Feb1944; 08Mar1945 to RAAF School of Army Coop Cse; Emb.06May1945 for New Guinea and British North Borneo; RTA 15Oct1945; Disch.08Nov1945 ex 2/12 Fd Regt; 09Nov1945 to Reserve of Officers; 1950-52 2 Battery Commander (Major) P Battery 10 Fd Regt; 1955-58(?) CO (Lt-Col) 10 Fed Regt; Died 22Aug1981.

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Gordon Stewart was given the nickname of 'Black Sam', also 'Sam' by the members of his unit because in Africa as a young man he had black hair and darkish skin. They regarded him as a tough, cool character. In the Battle of El Alamein, there was a series of attacks mounted along the whole Ninth Division front. 'Sam' Stewart was FOO (Forward Observation Officer) for the 2/32 Battalion whose objective was to capture Trig 22 on Makh Ridge, better known to the unit as Cairn Ridge. The whole division had suffered heavy casualties during the July battles and this day, July 22, was referred to as 'That desperate day'. Lance-Bombardier George Steele, FOO assistant to Lieutenant Stewart stated, 'I was 'ack' to many good FOOs but Sam Stewart was as good as any I ever saw. He would go anywhere and, the rougher it was, the more he appeared to enjoy it. We were together a lot, his devil-may-care attitude scared the daylights out of me but I had a great affection and respect for him.' Gordon 'Sam' Stewart's life came to a horrendous end in the early hours of 22 August 1981 when he was murdered in his Nepean Highway home at Mentone, Victoria by a young man in his twenties wielding an axe.

With research including copy of Gazette and Service File.



3300*

Group of Seven: 1939-45 Star; Africa Star, - clasp - 1st Army; Italy Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Efficiency Medal (GVIR Fid:Dei) with Militia suspender; Efficiency Medal (EIIR Dei Gratia) with Australia suspender and with Bar. First five medals unnamed, 1986572. Cpl. H.R.N.Moffat. R.E. on sixth medal, 382618 S/Sgt. H.R.N.Moffatt. CMF. On last medal. Sixth medal impressed, last medal engraved. Swing mounted, contact marks, otherwise very fine - extremely fine.

\$200

Together with a matching swing mounted set of miniatures but no Bar on last medal.

3301

Group of Six: 1939-45 Star; Africa Star; Pacific Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. VX41740 B.F.E.Boyce. All medals impressed. *Swing mounted, some contact marks, otherwise very fine - good very fine.*

\$170

Bernard Frederick Edward Boyce, stable hand, born 02Jan1918 at Brunswick, Melbourne, Victoria; Enl.03Jul1940 at Caulfield, Melbourne, Vic; to 11 AIF Depot 19Jul1940; to 2/5 Trg Bn 18Sep1940; to 17 Inf Bde as Runner 17Nov1940; Emb.05Feb1941 to Middle East; TOS 2/6 Bn 31Mar1941; to Ops in Greece 09Apr1941; returned to Middle East May1941; various transfers, a period in hospital with gonorrhoea and various disciplinary offences; Disemb.04Aug1942 in Melbourne; Emb.26Jan1943 for Port Moresby, New Guinea; sick with malaria and RTA 27Sep1943; more disciplinary offences; Emb.01Dec1944 to Aitapa, New Guinea; Disch.12Oct1945 as Private ex 2/6 Aust Infy Bn

With research and Service File.

Group to Training Officer at Jungle Warfare School



3302*

Group of Six: 1939-45 Star; Africa Star; Pacific Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. VX4635 H.T.Lunn. All medals impressed. *Display mounted, some oxidation on first medal, otherwise very fine - good very fine.*

\$500

Henry Thomas Lunn, auctioneer, born 22Dec1905 at Havelock, Vic; Enl.23Oct1939 in Mildura, Vic; to 2/7Bn 6Div, Puckapunyal 03Nov1939; to L/Cpl 10Nov1939; to Cpl 30Nov1939; to Sgt 03Jan1940; to Lieutenant 10Jan1940; Promotion School 16-29Jan1940; Emb.15Apr1940; to camp at Palestine 17May1940; sick with sand fly fever 18Jul-17Oct1940 and then to ops in Egypt and Libya; to ops in Greece 09Apr1941; was Intelligence Officer of 2/7Bn whilst in Crete; Disemb.01Jun1941 at Alexandria from Crete withdrawal and to camp in Palestine; Instructor at Junior Officer's School 11Aug1941; to Captain 02Sep1941; RTA 23May1942; to Guerrilla Warfare School 03Jul1942; to Major 14Oct1942; to camp in Queensland 14Dec1942; to CO 1st Advanced Reinforcement Training Battalion, Jungle Warfare School at Canungra, Qld 27Jan1943; Emb.31Mar1943 from Townsville for Port Moresby and ops in New Guinea; RTA 15Apr1943; to Tactic School 14Aug-26Sep1943; attached for duty at Canadian Army Jungle Warfare School 21Jan1944 as Instructor in Jungle Warfare and Tactics; Emb.11Mar1944 for Canada; RTA 04Dec1944 from Canada and USA to duty as Training Officer Jungle Warfare Centre; Appt terminated 22Oct1945 as Major ex 2/7Bn; to retired List 02Jul1953.

With copy of Service File and other research.

3303

Group of Five: 1939-45 Star; Africa Star, - clasp - 8th Army; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. SX11386 H.G.Laver. All medals impressed. *Display mounted, contact marks on last three medals, otherwise very fine - extremely fine.*

\$150

Hedley George Laver, Clerk, born 10Sep1911 at Kensington, Sth Aust; Enl.22Feb1941 at Adelaide, Sth Aust; Emb.28Jun1941 for Middle East; to 2/7 Fld Regt 17Sep1941 and ops in Palestine and North Africa including El Alamein with 9th Div, 8th Army; Grp III Gun Layer 30Aug1942; sick 30Dec1942 and RTA 32Jan1943; various ordnance postings; Disch.03Oct1945 Medically Unfit as Sergeant ex 2/7 Aus Fd Regt

With research and part copy of Service File.

Group of Five: 1939-45 Star; Africa Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. VX27508 M.G.McCann. First two medals engraved, last three impressed. *Extremely fine*.

3150

Maxwell George McCann, plasterer's labourer, born 28Jul1917 at Ballarat, Vic; Enl.20Jun1940 at Caulfield, Vic; to 2/7Bn Refts 15Sep1940; Emb.15Sep1940 for Middle East; to Training in AAMC (AIF Refts Depot) 28Feb1941; to 2/11 AGH (Duty) 23Apr1941; Court Martialled 08Nov1941 and awarded 120 days detention, reason not stated; RTA and Disemb.29May1942; Disch.08Aug1942 as Private ex 2/11 Aust General Hospital, AAMC, Medically Unfit; Died 20Aug1975.

With research and original Certificate of Discharge.

3305

Group of Five: 1939-45 Star; Africa Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. SX2803 B.S.Wright. *All medals impressed*.

\$200

Brian Sydney Wright, labourer, born 10May1920 at Adelaide, Sth Aust; Enl.14May1940 at Adelaide, Sth Aust in 2/27Bn with 2 years previous service in 18th MG Regt as Sergeant; Emb.20Oct1940 for Middle East; to Cpl 25Oct1940; to Sgt 01Dec1941; Died of injuries at 2/4 Fld Amb 16Dec1941, received in Syria when driving a truck on duty on 12Dec1941 and ran off the road when crossing a bridge (no negligence involved); Buried at Beirut War Cemetery, Lebanon.

With research

3306

Group of Five to WIA: 1939-45 Star; Pacific Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. First three medals unnamed, VX22903 R.L.Kerr on last two medals. Named medals impressed. *First two medals with some oxidation, otherwise fine - extremely fine*

\$150

Together with Rising Sun collar badges (KC) (2, one bronze, one oxidised bronze); Australia oxidised bronze shoulder titles; modern colour patch for 2/5 Aust Infy Bn on descriptive card; spare ribbons for last three medals and original damaged ribbons for first two.

Raymond Leslie Kerr, Driver Transport, age 28, born at Warrnambool, Vic; Enl.20Jun1940 at Caulfield, Melbourne, Vic; Emb.02Apr1941; AWL on a few occasions and on one of these sentenced to 14 days Confined to Barracks; WIA 31Jan1943 GSW face, neck and back, New Guinea; RTA 11Feb1943; Emb.27Aug1943; RTA 23Sep1943 and classified by Medical Board as medically fit to carry out certain duties which require only reduced medical fitness; Disch.24May1944 as Private ex 6 RFTS 2/5Bn, to Reserved Occupation; Died 27Jun1982.

With basic research.

Captured in Malaya - POW at Changi & Osaka



3307*

Group of Five to POW: 1939-45 Star; Pacific Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. NX35446 J.Tucker. All medals impressed. *Extremely fine.*

\$500

Together with a matching swing mounted set of miniatures; modern 2/19th Aust Infy Bn colour patch on descriptive card.

John Tucker, born 19Feb1909 at Darlington Point, NSW; Enl.20Jun1940 at Wagga Wagga, NSW; captured in Malaya and POW in Osaka Japan; Disch.12Mar1946 as Sergeant ex 2/19Bn.

Sgt John Tucker gave a sworn affidavit at Darlington Point, NSW on 28 May 1947 for the bringing to trial of Japanese suspected of War Crimes at Osaka 2B, Kobe House, 25B Maibara and 5D Maruyama Prisoner of War Camps. His affidavit reads as follows,

'I was NX35446 Sergeant John Tucker of 2/19 Bn, A.I.F. and was taken prisoner by the Japanese at Singapore on the 16th February 1942, and arrived at Changi Camp on approximately 23rd February 1942, remaining there until August 1942.

- (1) Conditions at Changi Camp were reasonably good, food supplies were sufficient and were of reasonably good quality, and in general could not complain of the circumstances.
- (2) I was moved by boat "The Kama-Maru" to Kobe area, Osaki Camp in August 1942. The conditions on board ship were very poor, sanitary conditions consisted of one convenience only for approx. one thousand men, practically all Australians. Food consisted of two bowls of rice a day, and very little water, and no water for washing purposes at all. I was subjected to one beating whilst on board ship for not saluting the Japanese guard whose name I did not know, the voyage took approx. ten days.
- (3) On arrival at Osaki Camp in the beginning of September 1942 we were given a fortnight on instructions as to Japanese drill and routine in preparation for work. I was then put to work on the ship building yards working from 0700 hours to 1800 hours with only one hour break for the midday meal. Food consisted of a bowl of rice for breakfast, brown bread for midday meal, and rice and a type of vegetable soup for evening meal. At the beginning we worked for seven days a week, but after a time one day a week was allowed off for washing purposes etc.
- (4) Whilst in this camp, I was a witness to a beating of Sergeant Des Mulcahy by the camp commandant, whose name I cannot recall, but feel confident that Sergeant Mulcahy could supply that, the beating consisted of being bashed about the face breaking both jaws, he was not allowed by the camp commander to go to hospital but was stood down from work for a few days, I cannot recall the time this beating took place. Sergeant Wal Stringer was also bashed by one of the guards, with a leather belt to the extent that he was unable to lie on his back for nearly a week, this guard's name I cannot recall, as guards were often changed.

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(5) I took sick at approx at the end of 1943, and remained in Osaki Camp Hospital for six months, the conditions in hospital were fair, our own orderlys (sic) being in attendance, were visited once a fortnight by a Japanese doctor by the name of Miataki known to us as the mad Doctor, who was more often than not under the influence of intoxicating liquor, the attention given by this Doctor was in my opinion useless, his main job appears to be to get as many men back to work as possible. I had one finger injured badly, and had to have it opened thirteen different times by a Dutch doctor under the instructions from a Japanese orderly by the name of Taujino known to me as sleepy which finely (sic) necessitated it being amputated on returning to Australia.

(6) I was discharged from hospital approx. nine months previous to cessation of hostilities. After three months from discharge, I was sent with approx. one hundred Australians to Kobe House, as Engineers and mechanics, to work in the railway yards. After a fortnight in this job the yards were demolished by an American aircraft, we were then put to work as warf (sic) labourers until war ceased.

(7) The conditions gradually deteriorated during the last nine months, food was very scarce, and of very poor quality, sickness developed in the camp, particularly beri beri, up to twenty-five percent of the P.O.W. there contracting this disease.

(8) At first we were taken to a hill about two miles from camp whilst there was an air raid on, but over the last three months, we were guarded in a house in camp, and not allowed to leave whilst an air raid was on. To the best of my knowledge no casualties were sustained by any Australians from these air raids

(9) Of the names supplied on your 34431 of 16th May 1947 there are only three I can recall

(a) Miataki "The Mad Doctor of Kobe House", whom I have mentioned in paragraph five.

(b) Taujino known to me as "Sleepy", is also mentioned in paragraph five, he was a Japanese orderly and appeared to have a lot of control in the running of the hospital. It was a well known fact amongst the patients that he had ill treated many, but I was not a witness to any ill treatment other than mentioned in paragraph five.

(c) Kanamura-Takee known as "Gentleman Jim" KKKKK No knowledge of ill treatment of any kind by the Japanese, was brought to my notice.

Note: John Tucker refers to Osaki Camp in his affidavit but the correct name is Osaka Camp. Also he refers to a boat "The Kama-Maru", and this is probably "Kamakura Maru"

Darlington Point is a small town on the banks of the Murrumbidgee River in the Riverina District of western NSW.

With research.



lot 3308 part

WWII Group plus Presentation Watch to First West Australian Test Cricketer - 1932-33 Ashes Series and then in 1934 Touring Team to England





3308

Group of Four: 1939-45 Star; Pacific Star; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45.VX61446 E.H.Bromley. All medals impressed. *Ribbons fitted and sewn but the first and last two have ribbons out of order as worn, some contact marks, otherwise very fine - good very fine.*

\$3,000

Together with original medal delivery box and leaflet confirming entitlement.

Also, half hunter pocket watch in gold (9ct; tot wt 54.74g), dial marked Lavina, with patterned face, black Arabic numerals and hands and a small seconds dial also with black Arabic numerals, machine turned case with three wreaths around the rim and the reverse with a patterned series of lines with a shield in the lower half, the reverse inscribed, 'Presented by/Fremantle Cricket Club/To/Ernie Bromley/Australian Eleven' and then in the shield, '1934', appears to be in working order; a silver fob in the shape of a cross with a cricketer in the centre, with loop suspension, reverse hallmarked for Birmingham 1896 by maker J.C (Joseph Cook).

Ernest Harvey Bromley, born 02Sep1912 at Fremantle, W.A.; Enl.14Aug1941 at Royal Park, Vic; Disch.11Apr1946 as Private ex 2/33 Aust Infy Bn.

Ernest Harvey Bromley, nicknamed Slogger, started to play representative cricket for Western Australia in 1928. He represented his country on two occasions (1933-34), playing alongside Don Bradman. In 1933 he became the

first Western Australian to play for Australia. His test debut was Australia v England at Brisbane, 10-16 February 1933, and the second occasion was England v Australia at Lord's Cricket Ground, St John's Wood, England 22 June 1934. He also played 52 first-class cricket matches. He was a left hand batsman and a slow left-arm orthodox bowler. He scored 38 test runs, 2055 first-class runs for an average of 28.54, top score in first class matches was 161. He also delivered 60 bowls in his test matches and 3,217 bowls in first-class matches for an average of 42.33 runs. His best bowling effort was 4 for 50 in first-class cricket. He died at Clayton North, Monash City, Victoria on 1 February 1967 at the age of 54. He is buried at Springvale Botanical Cemetery, Springvale, Greater Dandenong City, Victoria.

With research and a small jewellery box of Wm. Drummond & Co. Ltd., Jewellers, Melbourne.

3309

Group of Four to Z Special KIA: 1939-45 Star; Pacific Star; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. VX81605 C.B.Cameron D. All medals are engraved replacements. *Court mounted, extremely fine.*

\$200

The original issue of four medals was sent to Sgt Cameron's father at Wedderburn on 12 November 1951.

Colin Barclay Cameron VX81605 (V25918), power house attendant, born 31Dec1922 at Wedderburn, Vic; Enl.18Dec1940 at Wedderburn, Vic; Departed for service outside Australia 11Sep1944; MIA 22Feb1945; 12Dec1945 MIA but deceased, presumed died 05Nov1944 with Z Special Unit on Operation Rimau which was an attack on Japanese shipping in Singapore harbour; commemorated at Kranji War Cemetery, Singapore.

In a letter to Sgt Cameron's father dated 30 November 1945 the Lieutenant-Colonel commanding Z Special Unit wrote in part, 'after reading through all available reports on searches carried out that the position is serious and I must be frank with you and say that the chances of your son's recovery are very slight....Sgt. Cameron was a member of a specially selected and highly trained party of English and Australians who left Australia in September 1944 on an operation with the object of sinking enemy shipping in Singapore harbour.

The party was unlucky enough to be surprised by a Water Police patrol when nearing Singapore and were forced to make a rapid withdrawal, splitting up into small groups. These groups received instructions to make their way back to an island base some 70 miles from Singapore. Whilst carrying out this fighting withdrawal, several skirmishes occurred with the enemy, in which we know some of our personnel were killed. The party succeeded in inflicting many casualties on the Japanese but the latter, under interrogation, were unable to produce identification. We cannot therefore establish which group your son was with.

Some of the party were picked up and taken back to Singapore but he was definitely not amongst those.....This operation was one of the most gallant and courageous feats ever attempted in the Pacific and we, as a Unit, are proud to have been associated with your son and the other members of his group.'

Following news reports of some members of this raiding party being executed, the commanding officer of Z Special Unit advised Mr Cameron in a later letter that Sgt Cameron definitely was not amongst those executed in Singapore.

With copy of Service File and other research fitted into a plastic file cover.

3310

Group of Four: 1939-45 Star; Pacific Star; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. SX32075 W.R.Gregory. All medals impressed. *Sone contact marks on last two medals, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$150

William Robert Godfrey, clerk, born 16Jan1924 at Adelaide, Sth Aust; Enl.25Feb1942 in AMF at Glenelg, Adelaide, Sth Aust; to 108th Anti Tank Regt 06Mar1942; to 30th Anti Tank Battery 03Nov1942; Enl.16Jan1943 in AIF in the field; to 1 Infy Trg Bn 10May1944; to 28 Infy Trg Bn 07Aug1944; to Jungle Warfare Trg Centre at Canungra 27Dec1944; Emb.19Jan1945 for Hollandia and ops in New Guinea; to Morotai, Borneo 08Mar1945; to Cpl 08May1945; RTA 08Mar1945; Disch.17May1946 as Corporal ex Advanced Land HQs.

With research.

3311

Group of Four: 1939-45 Star; Pacific Star; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. NX102938 L.G.Morris. All medals impressed. *Swing mounted, extremely fine.*

\$150

Together with fibreboard dog tags (2, one circular, one octagonal; a Corporal's rank badge; Vol 1 No.120 Sunday Jan 6, 1946 Torokina Times, the Official Newspaper of the Australian Armed Forces on Bougainville; Certificate of Discharge dated 3 April 1946; Shell Memo Book with 2 completed pages and also another completed loose page; eight wartime letters by L.G.Morris in envelopes addressed to his mother, Mrs W.J.Morris; a copy of a photo of L.G.Morris and several negatives, appear to be family shots.

Lindsay Gordon Morris, mercery salesman, age 23, born at Gordon, Sydney, NSW; Enl.09Jul1942 at Moore Park Barracks, Paddington, Sydney, NSW in 21 Recce Bn and allocated Army No.N80445; Appt'd L/Cpl 01Jan1942; Appt'd Spec Gp II D. Operator 22May1942; Attested for Special Forces in AIF 09Jul1942 and allocated Army No.NX102938 at Berrima, NSW; to A Gp III Dvr. Mech. 09Jun1943; various stints with 11 Aust Motor Regt, 11 Aust Div Carr Coy 55/53 Infy Bn, First Aust Army Wpn Trg Sch, 3 Infy Bn (Security Guard), 2/8 Aust Fld Coy RAE, 42 Aust Landing Craft Coy; Emb.01Dec1944; Disemb. 10Dec1944 at Torokina; RTA 28Apr1945; Emb.15Jul1945 to Torokina; RTA 22Mar1946; Disch.03Apr1946 ex 42 Australian Landing Craft Coy.

With copy of Service File.

3312

Group of Four: 1939-45 Star; Pacific Star; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. NX152990 W.S.Simpkins. Impressed. *Uncirculated*.

\$150

Together with box of issue and accompanying Summary of Conditions of Award confirming entitlement, addressed to Mr W.S.Simpkins, Intermediate High School, Forbes, NSW; also WWI dog tag in aluminium for 1424 R.Simpkins (probably father of W.S.Simpkins).

William Stewart Simpkins, Enl.30Dec1941 at Sydney University (allotted number N276552), student teacher, age 19, born 28Dec1923 at Concord, NSW; Enl.28Mar1943 in the AIF, In the Field, New Guinea (allotted number NX152990) while serving in 33 Aust A.A. Bty; Disch.24Jan1946 as Gunner ex 4 Aust Arty Sigs Tps (trade group in which employed Signaller Gp II).

Robert Simpkins, clerk, age 22, born at Casino, NSW; Enl. 18Dec1914 (serial number 1424) and to Gallipoli with 9Bn 02May1915; WIA 28Jun1915; Invalided to Australia 17Mar1916; Disch. 24May1916; Re-Enl. 17May1919 (serial no. 85819 in Special Service); Emb. 27May1919; RTA 19Aug1919; Disch. 24Oct1919.

3313

Group of Four: 1939-45 Star; Pacific Star; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. First two medals unnamed, 26062. J.H.Walsh. on last two. Named medals impressed. Swing mounted, some contact marks on last two medals, otherwise good very fine.

\$100

 $\label{lem:condition} John\,Henry\,Walsh,\,born\,21Dec1915\,\,at\,\,Devonport,\,Tas;\,Enl.\,10Aug1942\,\,at\,\,Melbourne,\,Vic;\,Disch.\,\,09May1946\,\,as\,\,Electrical\,\,Mech\,\,ex\,\,HMAS\,\,Huon.$

Group to a Career Air Force Officer



3314*

Group of Seven: 1939-45 Star; Burma Star; Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45; General Service Medal 1918-62 (GVIR Fid Def), - clasp Malaya; Korea Medal 1950-53. First two medals unnamed, 420471 L F Jones on third, fourth and fifth medals, 022026. L.F.Jones on last two medals, all named medals impressed except second last which is engraved. *Spot of oxidation on first otherwise very fine.*

\$800

Together with swing mounted miniatures for second - fifth medals and a spare of the second (all in poor condition or damaged); riband for third fifth medals (poor condition); officer's embroidered and metal hat badges on bands (2, one KC, one QC); Squadron Leader service dress shoulder board with metal KC and eagle; RAAF Squadron Leader summer dress rank board; Navigator's wings (4 types, Mess Dress (KC), Dress Uniform, Service Uniform [2, WWII, EIIR]); Officer's KC metal badge; 86 RAAF Transport Wing lapel badge (KC); South East Asia and Korea Forces Association membership badge; Aerial Dead Reckoning Computer R.A.A.F. Mk.1 in leather cover; RAAF Station Parkes, NSW, Sergeants' Mess pass for 420471 Sgt L.F.Jones 27 May 1943; Appointment as an Officer document dated 12 December 1944 to Leslie Frederick Jones; RAAF Permanent Air Force Certificate of Discharge/Certificate of Service for Warrant Officer/Squadron Leader Leslie Frederick Jones, issued 13 June 1961; a copy of RAAF News May 1976; No.1 A.O.S. Cootamundra, Albion Hotel program, damaged, features name of L.F.Jones and also a page of autographs, the ink mostly faded; a host of photos; also Member's Pay Book No. 80483 for A220864 Robert Athol Jones (Leslie Jones' brother who was KIA in Rabaul 1942); and RAF Service and Release Book No.037822 for Corporal J. Young (relationship unknown) and a RAF Deficiencies of Kit form for same person.

Leslie Frederick Jones, bank clerk, born 29Apr1912 at Lithgow, NSW; Enl.08Nov1941 in RAAF and to Bradfield Park for aircrew training as navigator at 2 ITS (Initial Training School); to 10 EFTS (Elementary Flying Training School), Temora 30Apr1942; slightly injured in aircraft accident when the Tiger Moth he was flying stalled and dived into the ground during a turn 11Jun1942; to 6 SFTS (Service Flying Training School), Mallala 21Sep1942; to 1 AOS (Air Observer School), Cootamundra 26Oct1942; to 3 Bombing and Aerial Gunnery School, Sale 08Feb1942; to 1 Air Navigation School, Parkes 05Apr1943; to Sgt 27May1943; Emb.14Jul1943 to EATS (Empire Air Training Scheme), Canada; to 31 Operational Training Flight, Nova Scotia 15Nov1943; to Flt Sgt 27Nov1943; to 3Sqn Nova Scotia 21Jan1944 and ops in Hudson aircraft; to Brighton Depot, England 02Apr1944; to RAF Doncaster 30May1944; to 229 Grp 17Jun1944; to 8 Ferry Unit, Karachi, India 22Jun1944; to Warrant Officer 27Nov1944; to Pilot Officer 12Dec1944 and ops in India and Burma; to 1331 Conversion Unit North West Frontier 12Jun 1945; RTA and Disemb. 27Oct 1945 as Flying Officer; to 34Sqn 07Mar1946; to 37Sqn with duty in Darwin, China, Japan and Borneo 04Apr1946; to 36Sqn 05Feb1948; to Short Service commission as Temp Flt Lt 23Sep1948; to East Sale 31Jan1949; to 11Sqn 22Apr1949; to 86 Wing 12Sep1949; to 38 (Dakota) Transport Sqn 19Jun1950 and ops in Malaya Emergency; to Richmond 08Jan1951; at RAAF Williamtown c1952; to Sqn Ldr 01Jul1956; Disch.29Apr1961 from NSW Air Training Corps.

With research.

3315

Trio: Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45. SX22750 D.W.Crompton. All medals impressed. *Display mounted, hairlines, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$100

Together with a modern 10/48 Infy Bn colour patch on a descriptive card.

Dickinson Webster Crompton, salesman, born 17Dec1907 at Adelaide, Sth Aust; In CMF (02Dec1927-05Mar1933) as Lieutenant (S17720) called up for FTD and TOS 10Bn 17Sep1941; Enl.18Aug1942 (SX22750) at Narellan, Sydney, NSW; No.2 Junr Officer's Course at NT Force School 10-25Nov1942; No.11 Camouflage Course School at NT Force School 24-29May1943; served in various training schools; placed on Retired List 15Aug1944.

With research and copy of Service File.



3316*

Group of Four: War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45; Silver Jubilee Medal 1935; Army Long Service and Good Conduct Medal (GVR) with Australia suspender. NP9923 J.H.Aitken on first two medals, 310 S.S.M. (W.O.I) J.H.Aitken, A.I.C. (8 Inf. Bde) on third medal, No.310 S.S.M. 2nd Class (W.O.I) J.H.Aitken. A.I.F. on last medal. First two medals impressed, the last two engraved. *Display court mounted, contact marks on last two medals, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$200

LS&GCM: CAG No.26 9/5/1935, p660 to 310 S.S.M. 2nd Class (W.O.I) J.H.Aitken Aust. Inst. Corps.

Entitlement to Silver Jubilee Medal 1935 confirmed.

James Hudson Aitken, iron and brass founder, born 07Aug1892, Invercargill, Southland, NZ; AIF: Enl.05Mar1915, at Menangle Park, NSW with previous service in NZ Forces of 5 and a half years; Permanent Forces: Enl.08Apr 1920; Disch.30Sep1936 having been appointed to a commissioned rank; Volunteered on Reserve for AIF Sep1939 - 06Feb1940; various appointments then Disch.02Jan1949 as Captain ex Australian Instructional Corps; placed on Retired List 02Apr1950.

With research and copy of Service File.

DFC & US Air Medal Group to Mustang Pilot Flew 69 Missions



3317*

DFC for Korea Group of Seven: Distinguished Flying Cross (GVIR); Defence Medal 1939-45; War Medal 1939-45; Australia Service Medal 1939-45; Korea Medal 1950-53; United Nations Korea Medal 1950-53; USA Air Medal. 1951 on lower arm of first medal, 422618 J C Murray on second to fourth medals, 022053 J.C.Murray on fifth and sixth medals, last medal unnamed as issued. All named medals impressed. *Court mounted, some contact marks, fine - very fine.*

\$20,000

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 46 (lot 1174).

DFC: LG 6/7/1951, p3687; CAG 19/7/1951, p1809, to Flt Lt John Colin Murray for efficiency & good leader, 69 missions inflicting major damage.

Presented by The Governor-General at Admiralty House, Sydney, on 21 January 1952 with the recipient then based at RAAF Station, Richmond, NSW.

Citation: Flight Lieutenant Murray has done much to maintain the efficiency of the Squadron both in the air and on the ground. He is an extremely good leader and has in sixty-nine missions against enemy ground targets inflicted major damage and destruction amongst their equipment and numerous casualties to their personnel. This Officer has always upheld the finest traditions of the Service.

US Air Medal: LG 22/6/1951, p3412; CAG 22/6/1951, p1555, to Flt Lt John Colin Murray for meritorious service, sustained air operations Korea, 10 operations 12/7 - 31/8/50.

Presented by His Excellency Mr P.Jarman, US Ambassador, at RAAF Station, Williamtown, NSW on 26 June 1952.

Citation: Flight Lieutenant John C. Murray performed acts of meritorious service while participating in sustained operations in support of United Nations activities in Korea. Flight Lieutenant Murray participated in ten (10) operational flights during the period 12 July 1950 to 31 August 1950. In the course of these operations, dive bombing, rocketing and strafing runs were made from dangerously low altitudes, destroying and damaging enemy installations and equipment. Through his ability, initiative and courage Flight Lieutenant Murray has brought great credit upon himself and the Royal Australian Air Force.

John Colin Murray, shop assistant at Grace Bros Parramatta, born 15Oct1922 at Grenfell, NSW; Joined RAAF Reserve 17Nov1941 at No.2 Recruiting Centre, Sydney, at age 19; Enl.22May1942 in RAAF as LAC Pilot Trainee; to Empire Air Training Scheme (EATS) in Canada Dec1942; presented with pilot's wings and promoted Sgt (Temp) 03Sep1943 and then Pilot Officer in same month; served as Flying Instructor at No.1 & 6 FTS, RCAF, Bordon & Dunville, Ontario 12Dec1943 - 04Jan1945, and during this time promoted to Flying Officer Mar1944; RTA 25Mar1945; Appt'd Flt Lt Sep1945; posted to Darwin, Morotai with 86 Wing Feb-Jul1946 flying Dakota transport aircraft; Aug1946-Aug1947 service as Flying Control Officer at Finschaafen, Port Moresby and Rabaul; posted to No.3 (Tac./Recon.) Sqn RAAF 15Nov1948 flying Mustang aircraft until outbreak of Korean War; to Korea with No.77 (Fighter) Squadron 08Jul1950-04Apr1951; RTA and from May1952 flew transport aircraft with 86 Wing and Beaufighter's with 30 Sqn for three years; promoted Sqn Ldr in Jul1955, and spent the remainder of his RAAF career as a flight instructor; Disch.31Dec1969 as Squadron Leader, ex Air Supply.

Three Australian Mustang Squadrons (No's 76, 77 and 82 Sqns) had been despatched to Japan in February 1946 for service with the British Commonwealth Occupation Force (BCOF), although by 1950 only No.77 Sqn remained, based at RAAF Iwakuni. No.77 Sqn had already received orders to return to Australia and packed most of its stores for shipping when the Korean War broke out on 25th June 1950. As a member of the United Nations the Australian government immediately authorised the use of No.77 Sqn and 3rd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment (which had also been stationed in Japan with BCOF) as part of the UN forces.

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77 Sqn flew its first mission over South Korea (bomber escort) on 2nd July 1950, becoming the first non-US unit to take part in the Korean War. The squadron's Mustangs were no match for the much faster and agile North Korean MiG-15 so they were committed to a ground attack role armed with rockets and bombs. On 8th July, Murray was one of a handful of Mustang pilots in Australia ordered at short notice to Japan to bring No. 77 Sqn up to strength, flying his first combat mission over Korea just four days later in which he destroyed two tanks and three trucks with rockets, bombs and .50 calibre machine gun fire.

The squadron initially flew long range missions from Iwakuni in defence of the Pusan Perimeter as UN forces pushed the invading North Korean Army beyond the 38th Parallel. In October the squadron was relocated to Hamhung, North Korea only to be withdrawn back to Pusan in December as the entry of China into the war caused a dramatic reversal and UN Forces were pushed back from the Manchurian border into South Korea. Ground attack missions were extremely dangerous and a number of Mustangs were shot down by ground fire, including that of the squadron CO, Wing Cdr Lou Spence. By the time the squadron was withdrawn back to Iwakuni in April 1951 to convert to Gloster Meteor F.8 aircraft, twelve Mustang pilots had been killed.

After its return to Japan, some of the squadron's pilots remained to convert to jet fighters but most of the Mustang pilots were rotated back to Australia, especially those who had completed their tour of 50 ground attack missions. Murray was one of these as he had completed sixty nine missions over Korea. The squadron returned to Korea in June with their jet fighters but these aircraft were still inferior to the MiG-15 and by the time the ceasefire agreement was signed on 27th July 1953, thirty three RAAF and six RAF pilots on attachment had been killed whilst serving with 77 Squadron. On his return to Australia Murray flew transport aircraft with 86 Wing and Beaufighters with 30 Sqn for three years from May 1952. He was promoted to Sqn Ldr in July 1955, and spent the remainder of his RAAF career as a flight instructor.

In an article by Sergeant Pilot (later Group Captain) Milton Cottee he writes of missions flown with Flt Lt John 'Jack' Murray as follows.

'As our war of interdiction developed we took on a close interest in a particular railway bridge across a ravine. Having knocked down this bridge early in the war we took the occasional opportunity to look at the attempts being made to rebuild it. About half way through its rebuild we went in and knocked it down again.

F/Lt Jack Murray and I, armed with rockets and guns, went in to have a look again, some time later. This time they were waiting for us. Soon after spotting the partially rebuilt bridge I saw two big black puffs of flak appear just behind Jack's aircraft. Soon after I felt the double thump from two bursts close to me. I recall a feeling of profound anger as I saw flashes from sandbagged gun emplacements near the bridge.

Being in a good position to roll immediately into a dive at one of the two AA guns I brought my six 50 calibres to bear and opened up with a long hosing burst. Meanwhile I selected rockets in salvo at minimum interval timing and flew in to the optimum launch range still firing my guns. Little figures were running in all directions around the AA gun I had selected as six rockets followed in close succession from my wings. Then followed a hard pull up and half roll to see the effects.

A few of the sandbags could still be seen but the gun had disappeared. As I rolled upright I spotted Jack diving on the remaining gun emplacement. Muzzle flashes showed that those on the ground had recovered from the surprise of my attack and were firing back, so I flew into position for a strafing dive in support. But this wasn't necessary. Jack's rockets streaked in onto the second gun emplacement and its ammunition went off with a huge smoking burst which reached up to engulf his aircraft. I was relieved to see him fly out of the smoke.

All signs of ground fire had now stopped. We were able to look over the partially rebuilt bridge without further interruption. Our report stated that the bridge would not need further attention for a while. Two weeks later, a couple of well placed 500 pound bombs delivered during a 60 degree dive knocked the bridge down again.'

With copies of the gazette notices and the citations for both awards, copies of pages from Murray's log book for the period 12July to 19 December 1950, copies of various photos including for presentation of the US Air Medal.

MM Group for Exceptional Courage to 2IC of B Cov 3RAR in Operation Buffalo in Korea



3318*

MM Group of Four for Korea: Military Medal (EIIR Br:Omn); War Medal 1939-45; Korea Medal 1950-53; United Nations Korea Medal 1950-53. 7/73 T/L/Cpl. M.E.Wilson. R. Aust. R. on first medal, NX207350 M.E.Wilson on second medal, 7/73 M.E.Wilson on last two medals. All medals impressed. *Very fine - extremely fine.*

\$12,000

Together with USA Presidential Unit Citation.

Ex J. and J. Edwards Collection at Noble Numismatics Sale 107 (lot 4689).

 $MM: LG\ 26/5/1953,\ p2909;\ CAG\ 4/6/1953,\ p1549$ - to Lance Corporal (temporary) Maxwell Eric Wilson, The Royal Australian Regiment - for exceptional courage and leadership as second in command in B Coy 3rd Bn R.A.R.

The award was presented by Her Majesty The Queen at Government House on 6 February 1954 to L/Cpl M.E.Wilson, Eastern Command Provost Coy, Victoria Barracks, Paddington, NSW. This was the first investiture and awards ceremony held by a British monarch on Australian soil.

Maxwell Eric Wilson, born 16Sep1926 at Parramatta, NSW; WWII: Enl.09Jun1945 at Paddington, NSW; Disch.22Mar1949 as Corporal ex 17 Army Tps; Enl.29Aug1950 as 7/73 Private in Permanent Military Forces and posted to British Commonwealth Occupation Force, Japan; Korea: served 27Oct1951-27Sep1952 with 3RAR.

3RAR had taken part in the Battle of Kapyong, 23rd-25th April, 1951 where 3RAR and 2PPCLI repulsed massed Chinese human wave attacks in bitter hand-to-hand fighting during which 3RAR suffered 32 killed and 54 wounded. $1 \times DSO$, $1 \times MC$, $1 \times DCM$, $4 \times MM$, $1 \times MID$ were awarded to soldiers of 3RAR for the Battle of Kapyong and the regiment also received the US Presidential Unit Citation. As a member of 3RAR L/Cpl Wilson was entitled to wear this award.

In Korea, Wilson was Section Leader 6 Platoon, B Coy. Following is a brief account of the action where he was awarded the Military Medal when 3RAR launched Operation Buffalo, a company strength raid on Chinese positions on Hill 75 with a plan to capture enemy prisoners and interrogate them. 'The platoon attacked the first line of trenches in the centre of the hilltop, peppering the enemy with machine gun fire and grenades. But as the Australians crossed that line of trenches they were attacked from the rear by Chinese soldiers who had now come out from previously protected positions. The Diggers replied with Owen guns and phosphorus grenades, throwing their bombs down tunnels where the entrances were visible. Suddenly a Chinese machine gun opened fire from just ten metres on a forward section of No.6 Platoon, led by L/Corporal M.E. Wilson, who charged the gun single handed but was cut down as a burst of fire ripped across his flak jacket. Wilson then got to his feet and ran towards the enemy gun while throwing grenades at the position. He killed the gunner before falling wounded from a 'masher' grenade, at which point Pte Ron Cashman ran forward and killed the machine gunner's number 2 with an Owen gun.

The Chinese quickly disappeared into the deep labyrinth of their tunnels and brought down heavy mortar fire on top of their own defences. Casualties among the Australians were rapidly mounting so Captain Richardson ordered his men out. Pte Cashman and Pte Johnny 'Jack' Gill dragged the wounded Wilson back to the Australian lines. Later Ron Cashman joked, 'Max always said - 'They dragged me down the hill so fast, by the legs, I dug a furrow with my nose.' B Company had lost two men killed, one died of wounds, one POW and twenty two wounded; the Chinese, twelve killed. No Chinese prisoners were taken. Several Australians were decorated for their part in the action including Wilson who received a Military Medal and Captain Richardson a Military Cross.

From the British General Hospital at Kure, Japan, Max Wilson wrote to Jack Gill and Ron Cashman a letter which today is held by the Australian War Memorial. Some excerpts of that letter include,

'Before I go any further, Thanks again for getting me off .75. I would have been kicking shit up hill getting off by myself.' 'I have only got flesh wounds. One in the muscle of the left leg and in the thigh and right cheek of the arse. They got the junk out and stitched me up. I get the stitches out on the 27th. I'll be okay to get out of this bloody bed then and hobble around. I hope.'...'By the way Cashie you got that b*st*rd that threw the masher didn't you?.......'Best of luck. Keep Ya Head Down.'

Only 45 MMs and one MM and Bar were awarded for Korea.

With copies of gazette, citation, recommendation, War Diary entry of above event and a copy of a photo of L/Cpl Wilson and Pte Cashman.

Rare DSC to Navy Helicopter Pilot in RAN Helicopter Flight Vietnam - Twice Shot Down



3319*

Group of Seven to RANHFV: Distinguished Service Cross (EIIR); Australian Active Service Medal 1945-1975, - clasp - Vietnam; Vietnam Medal 1964-73; Australian Service Medal 1945-1975, - clasp - SE Asia; Australian Defence Medal; South Vietnam Campaign Medal 1964-1972, - clasp -1960; Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with silver star and bronze star. First medal unnamed and hallmarked for London 1969 by maker 'J.H.J', 02677 T.F.Supple on second, fourth and fifth medals, T.F.Supple RAN on third and sixth medals, seventh medal unnamed as issued. The second fourth and fifth medals pantographed, the third medal impressed and the sixth medal engraved. *Court mounted, nearly uncirculated and rare, only 9 DSCs awarded for Vietnam.*

\$35,000

Together with Unit Citation for Gallantry, full size and miniature and Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm Unit Citation, full size; Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry (2 bronze medals as issued separately, one with a silver star emblem).

Also included are the following,

- 1) Copy of Qualification certificate that Thomas Francis Supple on 20th June 1967 did Carrier Qualify on the USS Lexington (CVS-16) in a T-28C type aircraft.
- 2) USN Naval Air Training Command copy of certificate for qualification as Naval Aviator to Sub Lieutenant Thomas F.Supple, R.A.N., 3 November 1967.
- 3) USN Helicopter Training Squadron Eight (HELTRARON EIGHT) copy of certificate for qualification as Helicopter Pilot to Sub Lieutenant Thomas ESupple, R.A.N., 3 November 1967.
- 4) Two Republic of Vietnam original certificates in Vietnamese for Cross of Gallantry awards, both named to SBLT-02677-135th AVN CO (ASLT HEL) US Army, the first numbered $1255\ 19/7/1969$ and the second numbered $1325\ 6/8/1969$.
- 5) Investiture invitations to Government House 1st May 1970, one to Lieutenant T.F.Supple, D.S.C., R.A.N. and one to Mrs. C.M.Supple.
- 6) Unit Citation for Gallantry to Royal Australian Navy Helicopter Flight Vietnam dated June 2018, 2pp including actual citation in leather folder, and two official coloured programmes with printed list of recipients for the presentation event held at the Australian War Memorial.
- 7) A book titled, A Bloody Good Job Well Done, The History of The Royal Australian Navy Helicopter Flight Vietnam 1967-1971, editors Max Speedy & Bob Ray, 2008, hardcover with dust jacket, 437pp + photo plates, index and preface, Sub-Lieutenant Supple is mentioned on p199, 392-3, 410, 432, and is featured in 3 photo plates.
- 8) Copies of press articles featuring Sub Lieutenant Tom Supple and various photos.
- 9) Copy of a 39 page report of Defence Honours & Awards Appeals Tribunal into awards for two applicants in which Thomas Supple is mentioned several times.
- 10) Copy of a 52 page report of the Inquiry into Recognition for the RANHFV in 2017 in which Thomas Supple is mentioned and which resulted in the award of the Unit Citation for Gallantry.

DSC: LG 25/11/1969, p11393; CAG 30/10/1969, p6513.

Citation: Sub-Lieutenant Thomas Francis Supple joined the Royal Australian Navy in 1966 as an aircrew officer, and after flying training in Australia and the United States as a helicopter pilot, was posted to the Royal Australian Navy Helicopter Flight Vietnam, arriving in South Vietnam on 15 October 1968.

On the 23 October 1968, Sub-Lieutenant Supple was the second pilot of a troopship helicopter shot down by enemy fire. On the 2 February 1969, while flying a gunship helicopter, captained by Sub-Lieutenant W.E.Symons, Royal Australian Navy, he was shot down again and forced to land in enemy held territory. He was evacuated by another helicopter just before the aircraft was over-run by the Viet Cong.

Sub-Lieutenant Supple has carried out a number of forced landings under extremely arduous conditions in a most professional manner without causing any further damage to aircraft or crew. One landing was executed in such a confined space that two aircraft could not occupy the area.

In combat, flying gunships, Sub-Lieutenant Supple has proved to be a competent and aggressive pilot. On the night of 18 April 1969, Sub-Lieutenant Supple was scrambled from Long Thanh airfield, where he was counter-mortar standby, to render assistance to a small Army of the Republic of Vietnam outpost which was actively engaged with an enemy unit about to be over-run. Sub-Lieutenant Supple, the leader of the fire team, was forced to make low passes on a predictable flight path to bring his fore to bear on the enemy which were in close contact with friendly forces and in close proximity to a village. Sub-Lieutenant Supple continued his attack, disregarding the heavy small arms and automatic weapons fire, for almost one hour until the enemy was forced to disperse. A search at first light revealed three machine guns, a number of rifles and five enemy bodies.

Sub-Lieutenant Supple, by his devotion to duty, professional flying, leadership and heroic actions, has acted in the highest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy.

US Air Medal: Lieutenant Supple is entitled to this award which was granted belatedly on 25 February 2002 to all members of the RAN Helicopter Flight Vietnam.

(Note: The medal that is issued unnamed is not in the above group because Tom Supple was unaware that he was entitled to it because it was such a late issue.)

Unit Citation for Gallantry: For acts of extraordinary gallantry in action in South Vietnam from October 1967 to June 1971.



The Royal Australian Navy Helicopter Flight Vietnam, as part of the Experimental Military Unit of the United States Army 135th Assault Helicopter Company, exhibited exceptional and extraordinary gallantry whilst engaged in offensive operations continuously throughout its four-year deployment. This exceptional gallantry was enabled by efforts of the entire Royal Australian Navy Helicopter Flight Vietnam.

The Flight was a unique unit and every member, regardless of mustering or category, either performed their duties with demonstrable gallantry or were used in roles for which they were not trained and still performed bravely. The administrative and maintenance staff were required to assist in the provision of base security in addition to their normal duties and almost all of the support personnel regularly volunteered to act as aircrew employed as door-gunners and Crew Chiefs. This was in addition to the extremely long maintenance hours required to support the tempo of operations conducted by the Flight. Over the course of the operations in Vietnam, the Flight accumulated a formidable record of operational flight hours and citations for individual gallantry. This has set it apart from other operational units.

While exposed to hostile fire and at great personal risk, aircrew flew on average 50 per cent more operational hours per month than any other Australian aircrew in comparable roles with other units. Aircrew were constantly engaged by the enemy, faced the danger of booby-trapped landing zones and frequently found themselves fired upon by friendly forces. The personnel who flew with the Flight arguably saw the most intense combat of any Royal Australian Navy personnel in the war. Despite the fact that none of the personnel had previous operational service and none had been under fire, they were courageous in battle, exhibited exceptional and extraordinary gallantry and did so with great skill and heroic dedication in executing a mission far removed from those for which they had been trained. Over the period of the Flight's operations in South Vietnam, five members of the unit died and 22 were wounded in action.

The extraordinary gallantry, dedication to duty and astonishing record of the Royal Australian Navy Helicopter Flight Vietnam conducting tasks far removed from the expectations of Naval service, has forever set it apart from other units. The extraordinary acts of gallantry and heroism consistently displayed by the personnel, combined with their loyal devotion to duty were in keeping with the finest traditions of the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force.

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm Unit Citation: Awarded to all members of the RANHFV serving from 16 October 1967 to 8 June 1971

Thomas Francis Supple, born 02Feb1947 at Peterborough, Sth Aust; Home Port, Adelaide, Sth Aust; joined RAN as Midshipman (S.L.) 07Mar1966; with US Navy at NAS Pensacola 26Aug1966-13Nov1967; Carrier Qualified on USS Lexington (CVS-16) in a T-28c type aircraft 20Jun1967; qualified as Helicopter Pilot 03Nov1967 at USN Helicopter Training Squadron Eight; qualified as Naval Aviator at USN Naval Air Training Command 03Nov1967; Iroquois Conversion Course 22Mar1968; No.61 Combas Survival Course at RAAF Amberley 22Apr-05May1968; completed Army Intelligence Course 02Sep1968; Lieut 18Jul1969; served as a pilot with RAN Helicopter Flight Vietnam (2nd Contingent) as part of the Experimental Military Unit (EMU) of the US Army 135th Assault Helicopter Company 09Sep1968 to 09Oct1969.



Example of the 'EMU' patch (Not part of lot)

The Royal Australian Navy Helicopter Flight Vietnam was formed on 14 July 1967 to be integrated with the United States Army 135th Assault Helicopter Company (AHC) flying Iroquois helicopters in both utility and gunship configurations. There were four contingents during the course of the war in Vietnam for a total of approximately 200 men and the first mission was flown on 3 November 1967. In an effort to boost morale a competition was run to design a new company crest and soon the unofficial badge with the motto 'Get The Bloody Job Done' came into existence. In June 1971 the unit ceased operations and soon after was disbanded. Lieutenant Tom Supple was a member of the Second Contingent.

In one newspaper it was reported as follows, 'Sub-Lieutenant Tom Supple, 22 of Bartley Crescent, Wayville (Sth Aust) was the pilot of one of two helicopters which went to the aid of the unit under attack from the Viet Cong, six miles south of the helicopter base, at Camp Bearcat, a few miles east of Saigon. About 15 minutes after a call for assistance, two Iroquois helicopters were strafing the enemy with well-aimed rockets, and mini-gun attacks. A few minutes later, the gunships terminated the action forcing the enemy to clear the area. In a dawn search, VC bodies, two machine guns, several rifles and four rocket launchers were found.'

On another occasion it was reported, 'The 702nd Viet Cong Guerilla Company has been wiped out due to the efforts of two Navy pilots, Sub-Lieutenants Tom Supple of Wayville, South Australia, and Rick Symons of Sans Souci, NSW. Late last month, while flying their helicopter gunships near My Tho, Province capital of the Mekong Delta, part of the 702nd was engaged by Symons and Supple, resulting in heavy enemy losses. Recently the remaining 28 of the Company attempted to set up a mortar and B40 rocket position, only half a mile from the capital, when they were spotte from the air. Within minutes Symons and Supple were airborne. Despite intensive machinegun fire their gunships zeroed in. Though close to dark they continued their attacks with rockets and mini-guns. By evening it was all over. The two pilots were credited with 16 enemy killed. Ground troops captured eight, the mortar, rocket launcher and eight weapons. The four unaccounted enemy surrendered next morning.'

In yet another news report from February 1969 it was stated, 'Two Australian naval pilots, one of them a South Australian, had a lucky escape when their US gunship helicopter crash-landed in Vietnam only yards from a heavily fortified enemy bunker. They managed to escape when another US gunship - again piloted by Australians - helped to pin down the Viet Cong with heavy machine-gun fire and then picked them up. The gunship, being flown by Sub-Lts. T.F.Supple, 22, of Bartley Crescent, Wayville, SA, and W.E.Symons, 21, of Sans Souci, NSW, was one of 14 helicopters flying in American troops in an assault. It was hit by a .50 calibre bullet which stopped the engine.

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Announcing details of the incident today, the Navy Department said the gunship crash-landed in Vinh Long Province only 20 yards from the occupied Viet Cong bunker. Immediately the gunship landed the Viet Cong opened fire and tried to rush it.

Two American gunners in the helicopter and another airborne gunship provided continuous fire at the bunker while the Australians landed the gunship. The Viet Cong made another attack on the gunship as the troops it was carrying were scrambling out. They were again kept at bay by one of its gunners with machine-gun fire. The troops and the Australian pilots scrambled out of the far side of the gunship and waded across a waist-deep canal. Other airborne gunships continued to direct heavy fire at the Viet Cong bunker while one of the gunships piloted by two other Australians landed to pick up the men. This gunship was piloted by Sub-Lt. M.A.Perrott, 28, of Hastings, Victoria and Acting Sub-Lt. R.J.Kyle, 20, of Southport, Queensland. It was the second time that Sub-Lt. Supple had been shot down during an assault.

With research.



3320*

Group of Four: Vietnam Medal 1964-73; National Medal with Bar; Australian Defence Medal; Victoria Police Service Medal with 30 Year Service Bar. 3797972 I.Kowalczyk on first medal, Ivan Kowalczyk on second medal, 3797972 J I Kowalczyk on third medal, John Ivan Kowalczyk on last medal. First medal impressed, other medals pantographed. Nearly uncirculated.

\$800

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 95 (lot 4343).

Together with cases, miniatures and ribands for last three.

(John) Ivan Kowalczyk, born 31May1948 served in RA Infy Corps as L/Cpl for National Service; served in Vietnam with 4Bn, RAR 13May-15Oct1971.

Victoria Police service: Appointed Constable 06Mar1967 at Depot (Recruit); at Russell Street 24Jul1967; at Brighton 07Aug1968; National Service 1971; at Dandenong 12Apr1972; to Snr Const 25Sep1973; to Frankston C.C.S. (Community Correctional Services) 24Jul1974; Russell Street CIB 04Dec1975; to Sergeant 13Sep1977; Retired 16Aug2000 from Region 2 Div 5 Divisional Training Office.

With basic research in folder.



3321*

Pair: Vietnam Medal 1964-73; Republic of Vietnam Medal, - clasp - 1960-. 44795 G.C.Williams. First medal impressed, second medal engraved. *With swing mounting fitting but only loosely attached, extremely fine.*

\$500

Geoffrey Clynton Williams, born 15Mar1949 at Fullarton, Sth Aust; served with RAust Infy Corps; Vietnam service: 1 Aust Reinforcement Unit 10Dec1968-08Jan1969; 4Bn RAR 09Jan-13May1969; HQ 1st Aust Task Force 14May-01Jun1969; 9Bn RAR 02Jun-05Dec1969.

With basic research.

Served in Op Citadel (East Timor), Op Astute (East Timor) and Op Catalyst with Combat Team Heeler



3322

Group of Six: Australian Active Service Medal, - clasp - Iraq 2003; Interfet (International Force East Timor) Medal; Iraq Medal 2004; Australian Service Medal, - two clasps - East Timor, Timor Leste; Australian Defence Medal; UNAMET (UN Advance Mission in East Timor) Medal. 8233106 D T Jacobsen on first and third - fifth medals, other medals unnamed. All named medals pantographed. Clasps unattached as medals have never been worn, uncirculated.

Together with Australia Flag patch on DPDU camouflage material, with velcro backing; Iraq - OBG (W)-4 patch, with Velcro backing (red kangaroo on purple backing, first issue); 6Bn RAR unit colour patch, with Velcro backing; name badge for JACOBSEN on desert camouflage material, with Velcro backing; cases for all except the second medal, all with miniatures, some without ribbon, two with ribands; spare ribbons for four full size and three miniature medals.

D.T.Jacobsen, Enl.22May2001; posted to D Coy 6RAR 10Oct2001; Op Citadel, East Timor Oct2003-Jan2004; Rifle Coy, Butterworth Aug2004-Nov2005; ADF School of Languages (Indonesian) Jan-Oct2006; Op Astute, East Timor Nov2006-Mar2007; Op Catalyst, Iraq, OBG(W)4, Combat Team Heeler Dec2007-May2008; To L/Cpl 12Dec2008.

OBG (W)-4 is Overwatch Battle Group (West)-4.

With document certifying sale by D T Jacobsen.

OTHER COUNTRIES

3323

Belgium, Order of Leopold II. Very fine.

\$80

Bravery Medal to Canadian Mountie for Saving Lives in a Building Fire



3324*

Canada, Pair to a 'Mountie': Medal of Bravery; Royal Canadian Mounted Police Long Service Medal with Bronze Bar with one star (25 years service). CST Van Den Born 9-IV-1986 on first medal, J.Van Den Born on second medal. Both medals engraved. *Display mounted, bar loose on second medal, otherwise good very fine.*

\$5.000

Together with two ribands for first medal; two sets of ribands with bars for both medals; Royal Canadian Mounted Police hat badge (QC); GRC/RCMP shoulder titles (2) (GRC is Gendarmerie Royale du Canada i.e. French text equivalent of Royal Canadian Mounted Police); RCMP Commissioner's Commendation Pin (yellow/black bar with raised metal Bison's head in centre); Province of British Columbia pin bar; cases for both medals, the Long Service and Good Conduct one with small RCMP badge in gilt on the lid; colour photo in frame (23.5x32cm) under perspex of Her Excellency the Governor General of Canada Jeanne Sauve P.C., C.C., C.M.M., C.D. presenting the Medal of Bravery to Constable Jan Van Den Born M.B.; official citation certificate signed by the Governor General in timber frame (34.5x42cm) under perspex.

Medal of Bravery: Canada Gazette 20/6/1987 - awarded to Constable Jan Van Den Born of Maple Ridge, British Columbia on 15 June 1987; invested 25 September 1987.

Citation: On April 9, 1986, while on a routine patrol, Cst. Randy Marquardt observed a high-rise apartment building on fire in Coquitlam, British Columbia. Having requested back-up and alerted the fire department, he entered the building, climbed the stairs to the 12th floor and began knocking on doors to warn occupants and direct them to the stairwell. By this time, smoke was dense throughout the building. He proceeded downstairs, stopping on each floor to alert occupants. Unable to enter the 9th floor because of the heavy smoke, he was met on the 8th by Sgt. Andrews who assisted him in his task. On the 6th floor, they were joined by Cst. Reg Steward and, having obtained a master key, they went back to the 12th floor to ensure all occupants had left the building. Again they were unable to enter the 9th floor. Once outside Cst. Marquardt, who had been overcome by smoke inhalation, was helped to an ambulance. Cst. Steward and Sgt. Andrews assisting in crowd control, observed seven people still stranded on 9th floor balconies. Along with Cst. Jan Van Den Born, they re-entered, climbed to the 9th and located apartments where people remained. They had to force their way in and break the balcony windows to get to the frightened occupants. They then assisted them to the stairwell and downstairs where they were treated for smoke inhalation.

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All four police officers were awarded the Medal of Bravery. They also received

the Police Commissioner's Commendation.

Jan Van Den Born was born in Holland and immigrated to Canada in 1953. He first lived in Maple Ridge, British Columbia in 1961 and was a volunteer fireman from 1966 to 1974. After working as a postman and a municipal employee he joined the Royal Canadian Mounted Police at 26 years of age. Some of his postings were at Surrey, Williams Lake and Coquitlam.

Together with a folder of research including official letters for the award and the investiture of same as well as several letters from a variety of government officials and members of parliament, a copy of Pony Express August 1987, a RCMP GRC bi-lingual (English/French) journal featuring the details and the actions of the police officers in receiving the above awards, four other colour photos, three identical to the framed photo above, a copy of a letter written by J Van Den Born when he sold his medals and a sales listing for the above group dated 31/5/2006 for Canadian \$5,950.

3325

China, crude copy of 1860 expedition medal; Korea, 1st class sword medal for resisting US Aggression Aid. *Extremely fine.* (2)

\$120



3326*

Iraq, Medal of Arab-Israeli War 1948-49, unnamed. *Swing mounted, nearly extremely fine.*

\$80

3327

Japan, China, Incident War Medal, 1937-45. Without case of issue. *Very fine*.

\$100

3328

Poland, Order of Polonia Restituta 5th Class (Knight) 1944. *Uncirculated.*

3329

Russia, USSR, Order of the Red Banner, numbered on reverse, 468041; Order of the Patriotic War, reverse engraved 1746709. *Very fine*. (2)

\$100

3330

Russia, USSR, Order of the Patriotic War, with Monetny/ Dvor above screw post, engraved number 6075070 at bottom of reverse; Order of the Badge of Honour, with Monetny/ Dvor above number 1025178 on the reverse; Order of the Red Banner of Labour, silver medal, type 2, with Monetny/ Dvor above number 1068031 engraved on back. *Ribbons dirty otherwise extremely fine.* (3)

\$150



3331*

John Chard Decoration, with voided acorn on suspender and medal stamped on reverse near bottom edge, silver, bottom edge impressed with number 13065. *Some contact marks on reverse and thin scratch on obverse, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$60

3332

John Chard Decoration, un-voided acorn on suspender and no rim on reverse, in chromed brass. *Extremely fine*.

\$60



John Chard Medal, voided acorn on suspender, in bronze, bottom edge impressed with number 1370. *Good very fine*.

\$60

3334

World medals, Order of Leopold II (Knight) WWI; China, Communist China and Soviet Friendship Medal; Northeast Democratic Union Army Ji Lin Military Area Command Exemplary Service Medal; also a Mao Zedong propaganda badge (40mm), pin-back; Germany, Prussia, Wilhelm I Centenary Medal 1897; Imperial Germany, Luftwaffe Aviation Fund (Slugspende) Medal 1912; WWI Iron Cross 2nd Class; cigarette case in nickel silver with centrepiece of a miniature WWI Wound Badge (Gold grade) on a golden central disc (cross wire for holding cigarettes missing from inner compartment and some bubbling on outer surface). Fine - very fine. (8)

\$100

MILITARIA

COLLECTION OF WWI MEMORIAL PLAQUES (Lots 3335 - 3376)

3335

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Joseph Thomas Adams. *Nearly extremely fine.*

\$100

There are two servicemen with this name on the CWGC rolls. 21409 Corporal Joseph Thomas Adams, Depot, Worcestershire Regiment, DOW 26Feb1919 at age 37, buried at Birmingham (Yardley) Cemetery, Birmingham, West Midlands, England, and 8872 Corporal Joseph Thomas Adams, B Coy 2nd Bn King's Royal Rifle Corps, KIA 07Oct1914 at age 22, buried at Villersen-Prayeres Communal Cemetery, Aisne, France.

3336

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to William Ernest Adams. *Extremely fine.*

\$100

There are three servicemen named William Ernest Adams recorded by CWGC, two for UK forces and one for South African forces.

3337

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Raymond Barker. *Some small oxidation marks and a die crack in the centre, otherwise very fine.*

\$100

R/22915 Raymond Barker, 8th Bn King's Royal Rifle Corps, KIA 15Sep1916 at age 23, commemorated at Thiepval Memorial, Thiepval, Picardie, France. This memorial commemorates the British and South African servicemen with no known grave who died in the Battles of the Somme between 1915-

3338

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to William Bielby. *Cleaned and now re-toning, otherwise good very fine.*

\$100

27997 Private William Bielby, 1st/4th Bn King's Own (Royal Lancashire Regiment), KIA 21Sep1917 at the age of 21, buried at Brandhoek New Military Cemetery No.3, Ypres, West Flanders, Belgium.

3339

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Joseph Burgoyne. *Cleaned and now re-toning, otherwise good very fine.*

\$100

There are two servicemen with this name on the CWGC rolls. G/72369 Private Joseph Burgoyne, 7th Bn The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment), KIA 01Sep1918, buried at Combles Communal Cemetery Extension, Combles, Somme, Hauts-de-France, France, and also 11880 Private Joseph Burgoyne, 6th Bn The Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, KIA 09Aug1915 at the age of 20, commemorated at the Helles Memorial, near Sedd el Bahr, Turkey and is at the tip of the Gallipoli Peninsula overlooking the Dardanelles.

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Walter Reginald Christmas. *Cleaned and now re-toning, pierced hole at top edge, otherwise fine.*

\$70

G/37048 Lance Corporal Walter Reginald Christmas, 1st Bn The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment), KIA 23Apr1917 at the age of 31, commemorated at the Arras Memorial, Faubourg d'Amiens British Cemetery, Arras. France.

3341

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to William Charles Cross. Cleaned and now re-toning, glue remnants on reverse, otherwise nearly very fine.

\$90

There are three servicemen named William Charles Cross recorded by CWGC, all for UK forces, one Royal Navy and two Army.

3342

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Ralph Crow. *A few light oxidation spots, otherwise very fine.*

\$100

20718 Lance Corporal Ralph Crow, No 2 Coy 3rd Bn Coldstream Guards, KIA $13\mathrm{Apr}1918$ at the age of 20, commemorated at Ploegsteert Memorial to the Missing in Belgium.

3343

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Edward Davies. *Rubbing on high spots, now re-toning, otherwise very fine.*

\$90

There are several servicemen named Edward Davies recorded by CWGC, thirty five for UK forces, one for Canadian forces, and one for Australian forces.

3344

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Alfred Easton, in original envelope and folder cover of issue. *Nearly uncirculated.*

\$110

There are two servicemen with this name on the CWGC rolls. J/35475 Able Seaman Alfred Easton, H.M.S. Vanity, RN, Died 26May1920, at age 21, commemorated at St Peter's Churchyard, Neatishead, UK and also 20/1564 Private Alfred Easton, 20th (Tyneside Scottish) Bn Northumberland Fusiliers, KIA 01Jul1916, commemorated at Thiepval Memorial, Thiepval, Picardie, France. This memorial commemorates the British and South African servicemen with no known grave who died in the Battles of the Somme between 1915-1918.

3345

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Thomas Fleming. *Very small edge chip and some oxidation spotting, otherwise good very fine.*

\$90

There are several servicemen named Thomas Fleming recorded by CWGC, sixteen for UK forces, one for New Zealand forces, and one for Australian forces.

3346

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to William George Gosling, in folder cover of issue together with accompanying note from the King. *Cleaned long ago and now re-toning, also some oxidation spots, otherwise very fine.*

\$110

There are two servicemen with this name on the CWGC rolls. Assistant Steward William George Gosling, S.S.Marmion (West Hartlepool), Mercantile Marine, KIA 26Aug1917 at age 16, commemorated at the Tower Hill Memorial, London, England that honours civilian merchant sailors and fisherman killed as the result of enemy action and with no known grave. Also 61287 Corporal William George Gosling, 40th Coy Machine Gun Corps (Infantry), KIA 07Nov1918, commemorated at the Basra Memorial near Zubayr, Iraq that honours those who died during the Mesopotamian Campaign and with no known grave.

3347

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Percy Graham. *One time cleaned and now re-toning, otherwise good very fine.*

\$100

There are five servicemen named Percy Graham in CWGC records, one Canadian, one UK and three Australians.

3348

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to George Holland. Cleaned and now re-toning, a small edge bump, otherwise very fine

\$90

There are several servicemen named George Holland recorded by CWGC, twelve for UK forces, and one for Australian forces.

3349

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Adam Horner. *Nearly extremely fine.*

\$100

There is no Adam Horner recorded by CWGC however there are three servicemen named A.Horner recorded, all for UK forces, one Royal Air Force and two Army.



3350*

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Samuel Entwhistle Howarth, affixed to the centre of a large timber block (approx 16.5x16.5x3cm), affixed at the top right corner is a Canadian Memorial Cross (GRI), without ribbon, reverse details unknown as it is glued to the timber. *Plaque cleaned, traces of past oxidation, otherwise fine, the cross very fine.*

823541 Corporal Samuel Entwhistle (incorrectly recorded by CWGC as Sam Entwistle) Howarth, Canadian Infantry (Western Ontario Regiment), DOW (bomb wounds to chest) 10Aug1918 at age 35, buried at Crouy British Cemetery, Crouy-Sur-Somme, France. Sam Howarth was born 24Nov1884 at Bury, Lancashire, England; Enl.11Jan1915 at London, Ontario when a resident of St Thomas, Ontario, Canada.

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to William Johnson. *Cleaned and now re-toning, otherwise good fine.*

\$90

There are several servicemen named William Johnson recorded by CWGC, one hundred and sixteen for UK forces, five for Canadian forces, three for New Zealand forces, one for South African forces, and five for Australian forces.

3352

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to John Knight. *Cleaned and now re-toning, a few dark spots, otherwise very fine.*

\$100

There are several servicemen named John Knight recorded by CWGC, twenty one for UK forces, one for New Zealand forces, and three for Australian forces.

3353

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to St. Clair King Nixon Laing. Cleaned, two pierced holes at top edge, otherwise fine

\$70

Second Lieutenant St. Clair King Nixon Laing, 7th Bn Royal Munster Fusiliers, died 02Apr1917 at the age of 42, buried at Bailleul Communal Cemetery Extension, Bailleul, Departement Nord, Nord-Pas-de-Calais, France. Second Lieutenant Laing was wounded in action but on recovery he returned to France when, after a few days, he contracted pneumonia and died. He is remembered under Kilglass town-land on the eight sentinel stones of the County Sligo WWI Memorial.

3354

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to John Lowe, in folder cover of issue. *Cleaned long ago and now re-toning, otherwise good very fine.*

\$110

There are several servicemen named John Lowe recorded by CWGC, all UK forces, includes thirteen Army and one RN.

3355

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Maurice Edwin Mann. Fitted into a heavy timber frame (22.3x22.5cm), with back support for sitting on a mantelpiece, cleaned, a few oxidation spots, otherwise very fine.

\$150

5075 Rifleman Maurice Edwin Mann, 2Bn Royal Irish Rifles, KIA 01Dec1916, at age 25, buried at Boulogne Eastern Cemetery, Boulogne-sur-Mer, France.

3356

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Henry Middleton. *Cleaned and now re-toning, some oxidation spotting, also remnants on reverse where it has been glued to a board, otherwise very fine.*

\$80

There are three servicemen named Henry Middleton recorded by CWGC, all for UK forces.

3357

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Thomas Mills. *Fitted into* a black enamel timber hanging frame, one time cleaned and polished, a few small oxidation spots, otherwise very fine.

\$100

There were several servicemen with this name who were KIA and who served with UK forces.

3358

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Arthur Charles Morton. *Some rubbing on high spots, otherwise extremely fine.*

\$100

Paymaster Arthur Charles Morton, M.F.A. Eleanor (Merchant Fleet Auxiliary Vessel, Steamship Eleanor, torpedoed and sunk 12Feb1918 with the loss of all on board), Royal Naval Reserve, died 12Feb1918 at the age of 29, commemorated at Chatham Naval Memorial, Kent, UK. This memorial is dedicated to sailors, airmen and marines of the Royal Navy who lost their lives in WWI but have no known grave.

3359

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Francis Murray. *A few small oxidation spots, otherwise good very fine.*

\$100

There are three servicemen named Francis Murray recorded by CWGC, all for UK forces.

3360

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Charles Ernest Nodder. *Good very fine.*

\$100

506789 Sapper Charles Ernest Nodder, Signal Coy, Royal Engineers, KIA 29Sep1918 at the age of 28, buried at Terlincthun British Cemetery, Wimille, France.

3361

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Stanley Norris. *A few light oxidation spots, otherwise toned and nearly extremely fine.*

\$100

There are two servicemen with this name on the CWGC rolls. TR/161377 Private Stanley Norris, 53Bn The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment), Died 16Nov1918 at the age of 18, buried at Chatham (Maidstone Road) Cemetery, Chatham, Kent, UK, and also 68954 Serjeant Stanley Norris, 48th General Hospital, Royal Army Medical Corps, Died 21Dec1918 at the age of 25, buried at Kirechkoi-Hortakoi Military Cemetery, at Exochi (formerly Kirechkoi), near Thessaloniki, Central Macedonia, Greece.

3362

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Edward Albert Prestage. *Cleaned and re-toning, otherwise very fine.*

\$100

574675 Rifleman Edward Albert Prestage, 17th Bn London Regiment, KIA 18Aug1917, buried at Boulogne Eastern Cemetery, Boulogne-sur-Mer, France.



Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Alwyn Adam Thomson Pringle. *Rubbed on high spots, otherwise very fine*.

\$200

17124 Gunner Alwyn (recorded as Allwyn) Adam Thomson Pringle, 5th Bde Australian Field Artillery, KIA 29Jul1917 at age 24, buried at Dickebusch New Military Cemetery Extension, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium. Alwyn Adam Thomson Pringle, farmer and grazier, age 23, born at Concord, Sydney, NSW, the son of Lieut-Col A.T.Pringle V.D., Australian Garrison Artillery (Retired List); Enl.04Jan1916 at Marrickville, Sydney, NSW; Emb.05Jun1916; TOS 105 Bty from 117 How Bty, France 03Apr1917; KIA 29Jul1917.

3364

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to John Rimmer. *Uncirculated.*

\$120

There are seven servicemen named John Rimmer recorded by CWGC, all for UK forces.

3365

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Frederick Robinson. *Some spotting and staining and a few oxidation spots on reverse, otherwise very fine.*

\$90

There are several servicemen named Frederick Robinson commemorated by the CWGC, mostly UK forces but also two Australians.

3366

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Lawrence Sanderson. *Cleaned and now re-toning, otherwise good very fine.*

\$100

241756 Corporal Lawrence Sanderson, 2nd/5th Bn York and Lancaster Regiment, KIA 27Nov1917 at the age of 20, commemorated at Cambrai Memorial, Louverval, France that honours those servicemen who fought in the Battle of Cambrai.

3367

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Hazara Singh. *Glue and tape remnants on reverse, otherwise good very fine.*

\$70

There are eighty servicemen named Hazara Singh recorded by CWGC, all Indian Army.

3368

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Charlie Smith. *Cleaned and now re-toning, some light oxidation spots, otherwise good fine.*

\$80

There are five servicemen named Charlie Smith recorded by CWGC, four for UK forces, and one for Australian forces.

3369

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Sydney Edward Smith. Oxidation in several areas, discolouration marks, small edge cut. otherwise fine.

\$100

7558 Private Sydney Edward Smith, 3rd Bn AIF, KIA 24Jun1918, buried 2,500 yards E.S.E. of Strazeele, France and commemorated at Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, the Somme Department, France. Sydney Edward Smith, chauffer, age 33, born in Parish of Camberwell, near town of London in County of Surrey, UK; Enl.29Aug1914 at Randwick, Sydney, NSW; Emb.25Aug1915 and to Gallipoli; RTA 18Mar1916 with enteric fever; Disch.03Jul1916; Re-Enl.17May1917 (now an engine driver) at Newcastle, NSW; Emb.31Oct1917; KIA 24Jun1918, France.

3370

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Joseph Todhunter, in folder cover of issue. *A few light oxidation spots, otherwise good very fine.*

\$110

Together with CWGC print-out and also Record Office, Lichfield letter accompanying delivery of British War Medal and Victory Medal for 12381 (handwritten and looks like 12387) Cpl J Todhunter, Lincoln Regiment.

12381 Lance Serjeant Joseph Todhunter, 7th Bn Lincolnshire Regiment, KIA 02Mar1916, commemorated at Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres, Belgium.

3371

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Ernest George Turbitt. Cleaned and now re-toning, a few small oxidation spots, otherwise very fine.

\$100

845188 E.G.Turbitt, 48th Divisional Ammunition Column, Royal Field Artillery, DOW 24Oct1918, buried at Montecchio Precalcino Communal Cemetery Extension, Italy. Ernest George Turbitt, signwriter, born 30Jun1893 at Coventry, England.

3372

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Reginald John Turner, in folder cover of issue, this very worn. *Cleaned long ago and now re-toning, a few oxidation spots, otherwise good very fine.*

\$150

584 Private Reginald John Turner, 36th Bn AIF, DOW 07Jun1917 at age 21, buried at Bailleul Communal Cemetery Extension, Nord, Nord-Pas-de-Calais, France. Reginald John Turner, labourer, age 20, born at Newcastle, NSW, Enl. 29Feb1916 in B Coy 36Bn at Newcastle, NSW, with previous service of 3 years in Senior Cadets and 2 years with 39th Engineers; Emb.13May1916; WIA 07Jun1917 SW to abdomen and right leg, Belgium; DOW 07Jun1917 at 1st Aust Casualty Clearing Station, France.

3373

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to John William Usher. *Rubbed on a few high points, otherwise good very fine.*

\$100

7277 Private John William Usher, 11th Bn Lancashire Fusiliers, KIA 08Aug1916 at age 20, buried at Sucrerie Military Cemetery, Colincamps, France. John William Usher was born at Reddish, Cheshire and enlisted at Manchester as a resident of Eccles, Lancashire.

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to Sidney Waite. *Cleaned and now re-toning, otherwise very fine.*

\$100

There is one CWGC record for 42689 Private Sidney George Waite, 9th Bn Yorkshire Regiment, KIA at age 32, commemorated at Tyne Cot Memorial. There are also several other servicemen recorded as S.Waite, four for UK forces and one for Canadian forces. The Tyne Cot Memorial to the missing is at Zonnebeke, Ypres Salient Battlefields, Belgium.

3375

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to John William Wright. *Cleaned and now re-toning, a small oxidation spot, otherwise good very fine.*

\$100

There are several servicemen named John William Wright recorded by CWGC, six for UK forces, one for New Zealand forces, and one for Australian forces.

3376

Memorial Plaque WWI, named to William Wynn. *Some oxidation spotting, otherwise good very fine.*

\$100

There are six servicemen named William Wynn recorded by CWGC, all for UK forces.



3377*

Australia, Anzac 'A' badge in brass with two lugs on reverse, attached to a short length of a 1914-15 Star ribbon. *Very fine*.

\$70



3378*

ANZAC sweetheart badge, WWI, in brass, features crowned Rising Sun over an emu left with New Zealand fern leaf wreath and at each side at the bottom is a Canadian Maple leaf. *Very fine*.



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3379*

Australia, Volunteered for Active Service, Medically Unfit badge (WWI), in silvered bronze, reverse numbered 27045; WWI King's Silver War badge, reverse numbered R.N27963; WWI, 14 Juillet Viva La France patriotic badge in silver and enamel by Prouds Ltd, features crossed flags of Australia and France, pin-back; WWI sweetheart badge in gilt, features a Rising Sun badge (KC) over an Australia title, pin-back; WWII Nearest Female Relative's badge with one star, by G&E Rodd, 1940, with safety chain, reverse numbered A.30983. *Good fine - extremely fine.* (5)

\$100



3380*

Australia, WWI Nearest Female Relative's badge (RAN), by Stokes & Sons, Melbourne, reverse numbered 853. *Very fine and scarce.*

\$250



3381*

Australia, WWI Returned from Active Service badge (RAN), by Stokes Sons Melbourne, reverse numbered 5499. *Good very fine and scarce.*

\$150



part

Commonwealth badges, includes Australia, WWI Returned From Active Service badge (AIF), by Stokes & Sons, Melb, reverse numbered 66404; WWII General Service badge, by Amor, Sydney, 1948 issue, reverse numbered A 18141 (Unc); Great Britain, Territorial Force Imperial Service Badge (introduced 1910); WWII King's Badge for War Service (for war injured); GVIR Royal Cypher monogram badge (KC), in chromed finish, pin-back; New Zealand, Returned Services Association, reverse numbered NX163817. Very fine - uncirculated. (6)

\$90

3383

WWII Female Relative badge, with three stars, reverse numbered A167305, by Angus & Coote 1942; another, with two stars, reverse numbered AF73289, by G & E Rodd 1940, with safety chain; another, with one star, reverse numbered AF.60556, by G & E Rodd 1944. *Good fine - extremely fine.* (3)

\$150



3384*

WWII Mothers and Widows badge, with three stars, reverse numbered A26436, by Amor, Sydney. *A small stained area at back right around pin fitting, otherwise extremely fine and scarce.*

3385

WWII Mothers and Widows badge, with two stars, reverse numbered A.F.4351, by Amor, Sydney; another, with one star, reverse numbered A19623, by Amor, Sydney. *Good fine - good very fine.* (2)

\$150



3386

Australia, RS&SILA badges, large two figure type (2), small two figure type (2); RSS&AILA badge, three figure type; The Australian Legion of Ex-Service Clubs badges (KC) (2); Aust Legion of Ex-Servicemen & Women badges (KC) (2); The Royal Empire Society Fellow badge, by Angus & Coote; WWI Returned from Active Service badge (AIF) with voided design post issue; WWII General Service badge, reverse numbered N6537; Sailors Soldiers Airmens War Widows Assoc badge; Totally and Permanently Disabled Soldiers Association badge (KC), by Swann & Hudson, reverse numbered N14493, together with TPI membership card with photo for badge no. N14493 K.L.Hogan, marked Life Subscriber. The last card with some foxing, otherwise fine - extremely fine. (14)

\$120

NX207939 Kevin Leonard Hogan, born North Balmain 25Jan1925; Enl.06Aug1945 at Paddington, Sydney, NSW; Disch. 27Aug1946 as Private ex 107 AOVP (Aust Ordnance Vehicle Park) Medically Unfit; Died 30Jan1990.

3387

Australia, dog tags in aluminium to W.A.F.Blake 6883 5 Bat, and another in fibreboard to 6883 5 Bn W.A.Blake; Rising Sun hat badges (KC) (2, one missing slide bar); Warrant Officer small silvered crown; WWII Female Relative badge (AIF), one star, reverse numbered AF80953; St John Ambulance Association medal, reverse inscribed, 'A46937/William A.F.Blake'. Fine - very fine. (7)

\$70

William Arthur Fielding Blake, painter, age 25, born at Malvern, Vic; Enl.04Sep1916 at Melbourne, Vic; Emb.25Oct1916; RTA 01Nov1917 with neuritis; Disch.26Mar1918; in 1930 Mr W.A.F.Blake was Assistant Secretary of the Oakleigh Football Club.



part

Air Force badges, Royal Flying Corps, WWI hat badges (2), one non-voided in gilding metal and the other voided in bronze, this with lustre on reverse so maybe unissued although obverse has been cleaned; RAAF crowned (KC) winged eagle sweetheart badge in silvered, pin-back; Royal Naval Air Service badge (KC) in silvered, pin-back with lower ring for fitting safety chain; also Canada, Air Cadets hat badge in brass. The last with design removed from maple leaf at top, otherwise very fine - good very fine. (5)

\$60



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3389*

Australia, RAAF Warrant Officer hat badge in bronze (KC); RAAF other rank's hat badge (KC) (3), two in bronze, one in oxidised bronze; RAAF Christian Chaplain hat badge in oxidised bronze, by K.G.Luke, Melb; RAAF crowned winged eagle sleeve badge (KC), two part type with screwback fittings, by K.G.Luke, Melbourne; RAAF Operational Readiness badge (introduced in 2000), one clutch grip pin missing from reverse; RAAF sweetheart badge (KC) in gilt and enamel; Air Force oxidised bronze uniform buttons (KC) (2, one large and one small). Very fine - extremely fine. (10)





3390*

Australia, RAN Pilot's wings (QC), in gold bullion and silver; RAAF Navigator's wing (QC), in gold and silver bullion, also Parachute Jump Instructor wing (QC), in gold and silver bullion, all badges for dress uniform and all with original backing intact, the Navigator wing with press-stud fittings. *Uncirculated and unused.* (3)





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3391*

Canada, Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders of Canada hat badge (KC); Canadian Scottish Regiment hat badge (KC); Canadian Expeditionary Force General Service hat badge (KC) (missing lugs); Saskatoon Light Infantry officer's silver cap badge (KC); South Saskatchewan Regiment hat badge (KC); West Nova Scotia Regiment cap badge (KC); The Lake Superior Regiment WWII hat badge; Royal Canadian Army Service Corps cap badge (KC). Very fine - extremely fine. (8)

\$120



3392*

Russia, Imperial Navy Officers' Submarine Class Badge in silver (41x42mm; 27.35g with backing plate and cloth backing) (Werlich 105), multi-piece construction with large silver backing plate with silver hallmark. *Very fine and very rare*

\$1,800

With unofficial box and Russian text information page.



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USA, WWII USN Chief Petty Officer's hat badge in gilt brass and nickel, scarce Australian made version by K.G.Luke, Melbourne, pin-back; USAF WWII pilot's wings badges (2), one in sterling silver with plain reverse, the other unmarked but appears to be silver with impressed design on reverse; US Air Forces in Europe beret badge in gilt and enamel; US Air Force Logistics Command beret badge in gilt and enamel. *Very fine - extremely fine.* (5)

\$70

3394

World badges, includes, Australia, Rising Sun, Medically Unfit Volunteers badge, Australian Allied All Services members badge; Canada, Canadian Rail Troops, Manitoba Beavers Overseas Battalion, Victoria Rifles. *Fine - good fine.* (6)

\$60

3395

Great Britain, WWI-1920s, RAF blue-grey woollen uniform jacket and trousers with button up and tie-down lower legs for wearing with high boots, with accompanying hat, also a separate RAF hat badge in bronze, all attributed to Lieutenant W.C.Pruden; together with a collection of b&w photos, many in albums and includes small albums (9x11.5cm) and (12x16cm) each with 38 photos of military and aviation items, another album (13.5x19cm) with 78 photos and written inside of album in 7-lines, 'Photos of Middle East when/Royal Air Force defended the/Oil Pipe line for Britain/W.J.(sic)C.Pruden was a Pilot/this is his album of places he/saw & flew over also personnel he/knew & made friends with', a fourth album (19.5x25.5cm) with 50 photos of military sports activities in camp, also another 78 photos and negatives loose in a box for various military, aviation and Middle East scenes, a few post WWI and a few marked 'Lieutenant W.C.Pruden RAF', also a Kodak large pack of negatives marked, 'W.C.Pruden & friends in (illegible) Air Force men who saved Oil pipe line', other packs of negatives marked as family W.Pruden. The uniform with a few small mothed spots and with a few tears to the inside lining of the jacket, also some dirt marks, otherwise fine - very fine. (lot)

\$1,000

William Colin Pruden died at Wellington, NSW on 10 January 1951 at the age of 52. He was born on 12 September 1898 in Portsmouth, England and at the age of 16 enlisted in the Army and for a short time was attached to forces defending the British coast from unexpected German attacks. He soon transferred to the Royal Air Force and completed pilot training at Croydon. During his term in the RAF he was on one occasion dropping propaganda leaflets when his plane was shot down over France by a member of the famous Baron von Richthofen's Circus. He and his observer were captured, court martialled and sentenced to death for propaganda distribution. Fortunately, the British government intervened and threatened that if Pruden and his observer were shot there would be a reprisal on German prisoners held in England. As a result, the sentence was commuted and the pair spent two years as POWs in Germany.

After the war, Pruden took a refresher course in flying and was sent to assist the occupation forces in the Rhine. While there he won the RAF Championship for the 400 metres running race held in July 1920. He was later sent to Constantinople where he was engaged in defending the British oil lines in Persia. In 1925 he migrated to Australia and purchased a grazing property near that of his sister in Armidale, NSW. Due to his inexperience he lost everything. He then obtained a position with the Local Government body at Campbelltown and later was promoted to Deputy Clerk at Coolamon and continued on developing his career in local government. At the outbreak of WWII he enlisted in the RAAF (Service No.267711) but was denied a release by the Local Government Department. He was however appointed an officer in the Citizen Air Force in June 1944 and in charge of the Air Training Corps in Wellington. He enlisted in the Army (Service No.N427337) on 19 May 1942 and at his date of discharge on 25 July 1944 was a Corporal with 25Bn of the Volunteer Defence Corps and for a time was in charge of training signallers. William Pruden continued in his civilian career and also took an active interest in community activities. After his funeral took place on January 11 his remains were interred in the Methodist section of the Wellington Cemetery.

With a copy of his obituary.

3396

Naval officer's dress uniform epaulettes, one features two stars and naval button; one with bullion embroidered N.S.W. Volunteers around a central anchor; the last with a bullion embroidered anchor and a button for N.S.W. Naval Brigade. *All with some damage and ageing, poor - good.* (3)

\$50

All ex Christie's auctions and with Christie's tag attached.

3397

Royal Australian Navy, original H.M.A.S. Sydney sailor's cap tally band. *Good very fine*.

\$100

Together with a small b&w photo of HMAS Sydney berthed at dock in Australia in 1928.



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3398

Great Britain, Victorian Corps of Royal Engineers officer's belt buckle in plain brass with attached solid clasps badge (53x52.5mm); Victorian Corps of Royal Engineers officer's voided badge in bright bronze (51x50mm) with clasps for fitting as centrepiece of buckle. *Very fine - good very fine.* (2)

\$180

3399

Carriage clock, c1918, in a fitted case with key, inscribed on top of clock 'From General Rosenthal and Officers of the 2nd Divisional Headquarters 5.12.18'. *In working order.*

\$2,000

Together with 39 photocopy pages of research on Major General Sir Charles Rosenthal KCB, CMG, DSO (1875-1954), architect and soldier; born Berrima, NSW; WWI: Enl.18Aug1914 with the 1st Bde Divisional Artillery; WIA 5May1915 & 20Jul1915 Gallipoli, 23Dec1916 France, 20Jul1918 France; RTA 22Nov1919.



1 RAR Alpha Company flag, 1948-53, the flag (approx 152x82cm) with the Royal Australian Regiment badge (QC) at upper left corner and large letter A in centre, the first Queen's crown issue of the flag after the first issue (1948-53) with King's crown. Some small loss of material on the hoist and a few other spots, otherwise good fine and rare.

\$1,500

See first issue (KC) flag ex Noble Numismatics Sale 118 (lot 4686).

After WWII Australia was committed to provide troops for occupation duties in Japan. This led to the formation of the 34th Australian Infantry Brigade to consist of the 65th, 66th and 67th Australian Infantry Battalions. The 65th Battalion was formed on 12 October 1945 from the 7th Division out of Balikpapan and it then sailed to Morotai to undergo training prior to joining the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces in Japan. Battalions were redesignated on 23 November 1948 and the 65th Battalion was renamed 1st Battalion, Australian Regiment and on 31 March 1949 following approval to use the 'Royal' prefix was announced on 10 March 1949 it was renamed 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment.

The RAR badge on the flag was designed by Sgt E.J.O'Sullivan of 1RAR Intelligence Section and the motto was suggested by Maj K.B.Thomas MC of 1RAR. The badge was originally only intended to be worn by 1RAR but became the standard badge for all RAR units. It was used for Christmas cards in 1949 but did not replace the Rising Sun hat badge until early 1954.



3401*

Great Britain, British Army 'Brigade of Guards' military side drum, a modern contemporary made rope tension example, the body composed of highly decorated painted metal panels, to the top a banner marked 'Brigade of Guards' over a large Royal Atrms of Great Britain with King's crown and 'GR' cypher, the Order of St Patrick at bottom centre, flanked on either side of the royal cypher are the regimental battle honours of the Brigade, at the base of the cypher the Brigade regimental guard badges, wooden rims painted red on the edges with dark blue centre stripe with wavering white line in blue, white rope tension strings and leather heads (approx ht 36.5cm, dia 37cm). The drum skin with evidence of use, otherwise excellent condition.

3402

Melbourne Volunteer Artillery, 1883, large photo album (approx 24x29x7.5cm), with leather cover and side lock (part of this missing), features many photos of soldiers and officers in uniforms, b&w, several pages feature various coloured images of troops as background, a few photos have a name printed on them, inside cover board page ornately decorated in colour with soldiers and the details, 'East Melbourne Volunteer Artillery/Presented to/Sergt. S.C. Lewis/by the Members of his Detachment (some details faded)/(? details faded)/his victory for the/"Champion" Cup/Nov.9th 1883'. Foxing, cover and binding at back edge damaged, some interleave clear protective pages loose, otherwise good.

\$60

3403

Victorian Rifles, 1886, large photo album (approx 24x29.5x6cm), with gold blocked leather cover and side lock, page edge gold blocked, features many photos of soldiers and officers in uniforms, mostly b&w, some pages feature highlights in colour of child fairies and flowers, a few photos have a name printed on them, inside cover page beautifully handwritten, 'Presented to/Sergeant. E. Williams/by/Lieutenant. I. Evans/for/The highest handicap aggregate score in three matches/out of four. Total 217 points/in/"C" company Second Battalion/Victorian Rifles/April 1886'. *Foxing and some pages damaged, otherwise good fine.*

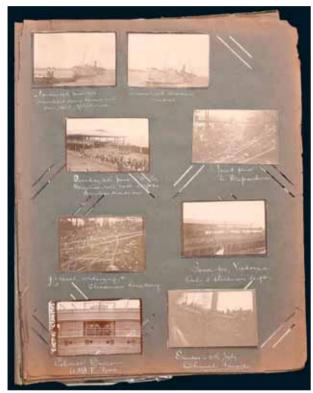
\$100

With tag attached for Christie's auctions and handwritten 26.8.01, (lot) 4.

3404

Australia, a huge collection of historic military photos, mainly Colonial and includes NSW, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, various sizes from large down to small, many studio portraits, also includes some police, some photos with writing on back for sending to relatives. *Good - very fine and useful for uniform and insignia reference*. (many 100s)





Australian WWI historic photographs, includes two photo albums with a variety of over 250 photos that feature the AIF service of Captain James Henry Moore of 38Bn and Captain Ernest William Dixon DSO of 10LHR and 3 Anzac Bn Imperial Camel Corps, put together by their friend Eileen Ramsay and they include,

- 1) The embarkation of 38Bn from Melbourne on HMAT Runic in June 1916 being a most comprehensive detail of all the officers (HQs and all Coys) naming each as well as various other individuals on the ship including Lieutenant Orchard (Geelong footballer) and other officers, some of who would later become KIA, commanding officers or highly decorated.
- 2) General photos during the voyage such as 'looking for submarines', 'boxing heavyweight championship' and general drill.
- 3) Several photos of a visit by General Monash with Major Story (later the CO of 37Bn who was controversially dismissed as a result of the unit's mutiny), also Brigadier McNicol DSO and others.
- 4) Hospital photos including nurses and wounded with names.

- 5) Two signed portrait photos of AFC pilots, one of which is Will Dixon, brother to Ernest. Various aeroplane photos and a group photo of the AFC pilots in 1918, most likely related to Will Dixon.
- 6) Numerous photos related to Captain Ernest Dixon DSO and twice mentioned in despatches. The photographic record begins in Perth and February 1915 including naval officers, HMAT Kyarra (twice torpedoed but not the ship he sailed on), then in the Middle East with various officers and men (named), horses (named), Light Horse Warrant Officers, signallers, 8LHR Sergeant, soldiers doing gas mask training, despatch riders, and Turkish officers surrendering but too many to name. These photos cover the early stages of Ernest Dixon's service when he was part of 3LH Brigade Train AASC hence his association with so many different units whilst working out of HQs. He was appointed RSM of 10LHR and later transferred with a commission to the Camel Corps (15LH). This was when he was awarded a DSO for gallantry defending the post that would later be known as 'Dixon's Post' for his command of the position when the Turks made a last ditch effort to re-take Beersheba. The two albums are in poor condition but the collection of well documented photos which are in fine - very fine condition represent a researcher's dream and no doubt will end up featured in future publications or articles. (250+)

\$1,700

Note: See lot 3278 from a different vendor for DSO Group of Six medals to Captain E.W.Dixon.

3406

Australia, b&w photograph (15x20.2cm), of Lieut-Gen Sir Ivan G.Mackay GOC 6th Division with his signature at bottom right corner, photo affixed to larger board; b&w photograph (24x19cm), featuring Field Marshall Montgomery sitting with a young school boy and marking a paper for him using a 'Parker 51' pen during his visit to Australia in 1947, note that he is wearing an Australian RSL badge on the right breast of his uniform; b&w photograph (24.5x19.3cm) featuring a ship's officer and Australian officers and soldiers on board a ship; b&w photograph (24x17.5cm) of the troopship Queen Mary in Sydney Harbour 20th October 1940; key, said to be from the WWII troopship Queen Mary, being a long cylindrical copper covered steel rod with loop at end attached to a holed circular brass disc impressed A21; b&w photograph (16.4x21.9cm) of supreme Japanese commander in Borneo, Lt Gen Ba-Ba Masao signing surrender in front of Maj Gen George F. Wootten CO of A.I.F. 9th Div; booklet titled, A Tragedy of Borneo 1941-45, Kinabalu National Memorial Park Project a Proposal for Commemoration, 1958, soft cover, 35pp with photos and map. Fine - extremely fine. (7)

\$80

3407

WWII photographs, in b&w (21.5x16.5cm) (76), affixed to larger card with descriptive details written below, includes images from Changi, Singapore, Malaya, Thailand, Burma Railway, mostly POW scenes, also some photos include Lord Mountbatten, one with Lady Mountbatten, one with Lt Col F.G.Galleghan, also same size photographs of sketches (15) of POW scenes and also photos of leaflets dropped during war (2); b&w photos of sketches of officers and soldiers, mainly POWs and also Japanese soldiers and officers, includes (10.2x15.1cm) (73) and (15.2x20.2cm) (14), mostly identified. *Extremely fine - uncirculated*. (180)

WWII HMAS Nizam diary, (20.5x30.5cm), hard cover with ruled pages, handwritten in pencil on p4 'DIARY/1941/ HMAS NIZAM', then in pen, pp6-113, 2/7/41 to 22/3/43, written on inside at top of first entry page, 'Diary from my joining ship at Alexandria', each page typically records the date (exact timings), the ship's location or course, a summary of events and many remarks or references to the day's activities. *Cover loose, otherwise very fine.*

\$500

Note: These types of diaries are rare as the keeping of them was frowned upon in case the ship was captured and the diary with all its information fell into enemy hands. An example of one of the above diary's entries is on p26 Sunday 23rd (November 1941) and reads as follows, '0300 Left Alex. In/c with "Napier", "Jackal", "Kipling" + "Hasty" to do anti sub sweep in front of A.M.C. "Glenroy" + A/A Cruiser "Carlisle". "Glenroy" loaded with tanks and troops for Tobruk. 1600 the two ships were attacked by torpedo bombers & "Glenroy" hit Aft. "Carlisle" took her in tow. We raced back at full speed & just before we reached scene we were attacked. Fierce barrage drove them off and they machine gunned the Jackal killing one man. Fish dropped at us but missed by a mile. Caught up with "Carlisle" + "Glenroy" + did A/S sweep around them.'

HMAS Nizam was a N-class destroyer commissioned into the RAN in 1940. During the period of the above diary entries, Nizam was ferrying troops from Crete to Alexandria. She was then assigned to the Tobruk Ferry Service running supply runs to forces under siege at Tobruk. She made 14 runs before being damaged on 14 September by a near-miss bomb which cracked her oil pipes. After being repaired she spent the rest of 1941 escorting Malta convoys on bombardment operations in north Africa and transporting troops to Cyprus and Haifa. On 21 October, while evacuating Australian infantry Rats of Tobruk to Alexandria, she came under attack by German Stuka dive bombers.

At the start of 1942 she sailed for Singapore as one of the escorts for the aircraft carrier HMS Indomitable. In June Nizam was one of the escort ships for a large convoy to Malta and was then assigned to the Madagascar Campaign. On 22 September 1942 she was assigned to Durban to patrol for Vichy French merchant ships capturing one and forcing another to scuttle. Then, after a refit in South Africa, she was attached to the British Eastern Fleet participating in sweeps of the Indian Ocean for enemy ships.

With research.

3409

Middle East maps for war-time use, all in colour, includes Egypt, Alexandria, on linen, published by the Department of Survey and Mines in 1939; Egypt, El Hammam, on linen, published by the Survey of Egypt, reprinted with corrections in October 1938; Egypt, El Saff (1929), on linen, printed at the War Office, 1929, at the top printed 'FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY'; Palestine, Jaffa Tel Aviv, on linen, compiled, drawn and printed under the direction of F.J.Salmon, Commissioner for Lands & Surveys Palestine 1935, with photo-zincography by Survey of Palestine 1938 and roads revised to September 1939; Lattaquie-Hama, French (Levant) Grid, on paper, Edition of May (19)41, at the top printed 'NOT TO BE PUBLISHED'; Beyrouth (Beirut), on paper, Edition of 1 Jan (19)41, at the top printed 'NOT TO BE PUBLISHED'. Some with stains and most with some minor damage at edges or splits, the paper issues with some splits on folds, otherwise very good - fine. (6)

\$60

3410

Australia, George Francis Twohill appointment certificate as an officer of the Permanent Military Forces from fifth day of August 1942 at the rank of Lieutenant, signed by the Governor-General, Alexander Gore Arkwright, Baron Gowrie; Australian Military Forces, Certificate of Discharge No.267593 for NX24346 Lieutenant George Francis Twohill, HQ 6 Aust Division, dated 6 Dec 45; The Royal Humane Society of Australasia Silver Medal Certificate, dated Eighteenth day of February 1946, awarded to G.F.Twohill, Sydney (N.S.W.), Accountant (Lieut. A.I.F.) aged 31 years, in rescuing Major-General J.E.S.Stevens, From drowning in the sea at Lae, New Guinea, on Aug.2, 1945. Fine - very fine. (3)

\$300

Lieut Twohill was awarded a Mention in Despatches at war's end.

The rescue for which Lieut Twohill received the RHS of Australasia Silver Medal occurred after a plane carrying passengers including two AIF divisional commanders, Maj-Gen J.E.S.Stevens and Maj-Gen H.C.H.Robertson crashed into the sea at night on 2 August 1945 when flying between Wewak and Lae. Lieut. G.F.Twohill was Aide-de-Camp to Maj-Gen Stevens.

With b&w image of Lieut Twohill with Maj-Gen Stevens and another officer in New Guinea.

3411

Australian Colonial Forces, a large quantity of government published Houses of Parliament documents, 1850s-1880s but mostly 1860s-1870s, for NSW and Victoria Volunteer Forces, includes some Government Gazettes, also the steam sloop "Victoria", the Naval Defences of Victoria, the New Zealand War, Rifles and the Purchase of Arms and a Musketry Report for Victorian Volunteer Force 1865. Some with small loss of paper at edge or edge damage, otherwise good - fine. (lot)

3412

Field Exercise and Evolutions of Infantry, Rifle Exercise and Musketry Instruction, 1885, printed by Government Printer, Melbourne, hard cover, 320pp, with some drawings; Steel's List of the Royal Navy, corrected to February 1805, soft cover, 52pp + catalogue pages; another identical but corrected to April 1805, soft cover, 56pp + catalogue pages. Foxing and some tears to the last book, otherwise good - very good.

\$50

Steel's List records all ships and officers of the Royal Navy as well as other information.

3413

Australia, German Concentration Camp Liverpool, 'GCC 1914-1916 Album', a b&w illustrated souvenir pictorial booklet with German text and edited by Heinrich Jacobson, G.C.C. Liverpool, features a photo of part of the S.M.S. Emden crew in uniform, with names below photo. *Some rust on staples at cover side, otherwise very fine and illustrative of concentration camp life in NSW, Australia*.

Australia, Small Arms Training Manual Volume 1, 1924, hard cover, 421pp; Military Map Reading for the New Army with an Appendix on Judgment of Distance, 4th impression 1940, soft cover, 59pp, named on cover page to NX87014 Moses B.L.; The Fighting Soldier by Major W.A.S. Dunlop late Australian Staff Corps, 1941, soft cover, 202pp, named on cover to NX87014 Gnr Moses B L; Staff Duties in the Field, 1949, hard cover, approx 550pp; The Soldier's Handbook, 1965, card cover, 148pp; Australian Civil Defence Handbook General Information, 1967, soft cover, 81pp; Dept of Prisons N.S.W. Manual for Staff Instruction and Guidance, July 1956, hard cover, 240pp; Soldier's Pay Book 1976-78 for 211754 Christian David Ball; also Deutsche Italienische, britisch-amerikanische und sowjetische Kriegsflugzeuge Ansprache, Erkennen, Bewaffnung usw (German, Italian, British-American and Soviet warplanes, speech, recognition, armament etc), 1942, soft cover, 159pp, German text with photos of aircraft. A couple with damage to spine and some with foxing, otherwise good - very fine. (9)

\$60

NX87014 Braham Lewis Moses, born 01Nov1909 in Waihi, New Zealand; Enl.02Feb1942 at Paddington, Sydney, NSW; Disch.21Apr1944 as Gunner ex NSW L of C Area Records Office.

3415

Galleghan's Greyhounds, the Voice of Brigadier F.G.Galleghan D.S.O., O.B.E., I.S.O., E.D. 2/30 Battalion A.I.F. on audio cassette, in cassette case, issued 1988; three videos issued in 1994 for Recollections 2/30 Battalion A.I.F. Association Part 1 (running time 163mins), Part 2 (running time 213mins), and final summary (running time 140mins), all in video cases; 2/30 Bn Association lapel badge with unit coloured ribbons; NSW Ex Prisoners of War Assn Life Member badge (KC), reverse numbered 1007, and also a NSW Ex Prisoners of War Assn miniature badge (KC). Extremely fine. (7)

\$120

3416

WWI anniversary and commemorative books and journals, includes Commemorative Visit to Gallipoli 1990 Who's Who, pocket-sized soft cover, 102pp, with photos and profile of those on the commemorative visit; Government of New South Wales Commemoration of The 75th Anniversary of the Anzac Landing at Gallipoli, 1990, large size hard cover, 64pp, with photos; Defence Force Journal, Gallipoli 75th Anniversary 1915-1990, No.81, March/April 1990, soft cover, 100pp with photos; Australians on the Western Front 75th Anniversary Commemoration, an Australian Defence Force Journal production, 1994, very large size hard cover with dust jacket, 116pp with photos; Diggers and Mates, by Department of Veteran Affairs N.S.W., 1995, soft cover, 115pp; Diary of an Anzac, a personal account of World War One 1914-1918 by an Australian soldier who took part, a private publication of the diary of John Edward Sutherland Kennedy, 20 Bn and 2nd Div Signals Coy, soft folder cover, 48+pp; the third, fourth and sixth books all marked for Harry Newhouse as he was one of the 1990 Gallipoli Visit veterans and is featured in the first book. Very fine. (6)

\$100

3417

Maton, Michael, his library of military publications including, A Roll of Imperial Honours Bestowed on Australians, 1901-1989, Sydney 1999; A Century of Australian Bravery, Sydney, 2001; The Military Cross to Australians, Sydney; many others, most hardbound with custom binding and the majority signed by the author and numbered 1 of limited runs. *Very fine and scarce.* (18)

S300

3418

Maton, Michael, Honour, The Recipients of Foreign Awards, 2013; Honours & Awards 1854-1914 & 1920-1939, 2016; Honour, The Civilians, 2012; Honour, The Air Forces, 2004; Honour, The Navies, 2007; Honour, The Armies, 2006; Honour, The Officers, 2009. *Very fine.* (7)

\$200

3419

Maton, M., Honour Those Mentioned, during WWII, The Navies (328pp), The Armies Volume I (A-K) (628pp), Volume II (L-Z) (644pp), The Air Forces (472pp), published 2010-2012, The Great War, Volumes I, II, III, MID 1854-1939. *All as new, nearly uncirculated.* (8)

\$200

ARMS AND ARMOUR



3420

Miniature Winchester rifle, moving parts model with lift-up back sight, decorated timber stock, delicate engraving on barrel and trigger guard and ornately engraved at sides of metal works cover, this engraved on one side with the name, 'Ron Hayes', on the base of the cover is marked, 'MINIART RUSSIA', with metal shoulder guard at end of stock and this also engraved on top, engraving by Neal Richard Chapman, in a fitted timber case, felt lined and with a fitted plastic sign with the Winchester logo, also in the case is a miniature brass oiler container and five miniature replica cartridges marked on the base, 'W-W/45 COLT'. *Uncirculated*.

\$1,200

Ex Ron Hayes Collection.

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3421*

Flintlock pistol, 18th century, top of brass barrel inscribed, 'H.W.Mortimer London/Gun Maker To His Majesty', at one side with impressed hallmarks, crowned GP (definitive black powder proof for shotguns, muzzle loader barrels), crowned HM (H.W.Mortimer), crowned V (view mark), on the other side near the works is the maker's name again but nearly worn away, walnut stock, with timber ramrod below stock (total overall length approx 35cm). *Very fine*.

\$900

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3422*

Flintlock pistol, 18th century, top of barrel with crown over HM (H.W.Mortimer, St James's, London), walnut stock decorated with voided brass scrollwork on one side and other decorative brasswork, with timber ramrod below stock (total overall length approx 30cm). *In modern foam padded and plastic carry case with the logo of Smith & Wesson on the lid, some light pitting on the side of the barrel, otherwise fine.*

\$700

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3423*

Flintlock pistol, appears to be a modern 20th century issue, side plate marked, 'Tower' and near the works a crown over GR, at the left side of the barrel is impressed with serial number, 6522, heavy timber stock, with steel ramrod below, brass and steel fittings. *Left side brass plate with oxidation, otherwise good very fine.*

\$150

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3424*

Pair of Swiss percussion duelling pistols, early 19th century, with accessories, side lock plates inscribed in stylised script, 'Ruoff a SoLeurs', the top of the barrels at the breech have gold inlaid 'Ruoff' stamps, with fluted walnut stocks, the accessories include pepper box nipple key, two timber and brass ramrods, bullet mould, 7 ball bullets, oil tin, pack of 100 Knall-Zundhutchen (caps), tin for caps with a few caps included, wooden mallet, powder dispenser, metal powder flask, ramrod worm (corkscrew patch puller), all stored in a polished timber case with brass plate on the lid inscribed in Gothic script, 'FT', inside the hinged-lidded case is felt lined with two compartments and fitted to accommodate the pistols and accessories, no key to lock on case and some marks on timber. Very fine.

\$2,000

Martin Ruoff of Soleure (French word for Solothurn) was active 1803-1839. Solothurn is the capital of the canton of Solothurn in Switzerland.

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Frontier Colt 1873, miniature, non-firing model by Tom P. Weston, in fitted case under glass with 12 miniature cartridges marked, '45 COLT W-W', timber case gold blocked under lid, 'COLT/Hartford, Conn. U.S.A'. *Miniature colt uncirculated, case good very fine.*

\$800

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3426*

Percussion miner's pistol, smooth 12 bore (12mm), 19th century, curved plain timber grip and on the rear edge is inset a small plaque which is inscribed, 'IA', some engraved decoration on side plates, below trigger guard and top plate, plain 63cm barrel and on the top is impressed, 'C-N 7079' and underneath are small crests; together with approx 45 percussion caps in a Ransom & Marles Bearing Co Limited box. *The trigger and hammer stuck, probably needs some oil, otherwise fine.*

\$400

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3427*

British Tower military issue percussion pistol, 19th century, lock plate with a crown over VR and also 1853 over TOWER and a crown atop a downward pointing arrow, smooth 16 bore (16mm), original captive ram rod, curved plain timber grip with brass end plate with belt fitting bracket, plain 155mm barrel and on the top is impressed with ordnance view and proof marks; together with approx 90 percussion caps in a Ransom & Marles Bearing Co Limited box. *Fine.*

\$750

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3428

Gun makers' labels, many from 1800s, includes name cards in a variety of sizes for various gun manufacturers and also many labels for percussion caps (100+); also share certificate for Colt's Patent Fire Arms Manufacturing Company, Connecticut, certificate No.C10520 for 50 shares dated Mar 1, 1949 in the name of Francis I. DuPont & Co, reverse assignment and signed by Francis I. DuPont (share broker). *Good - very fine.* (100+)

\$100



3429*

Antique leather powder flask, Middle Eastern or North African, late 19th century, embossed leather bound wooden gun powder flask with two suspension rings on reverse for fitting to belt, wooden slide-peg closer and metal spout. *Well used and aged, metal spout loose, otherwise good.*



Ottoman Empire pistols, Albanian/Turkish miquelet 'rat tail' pistols, early 19th century, in brass and steel, one with floral decoration on top of back section of barrel and the other with some maker's marks and some text but this worn and illegible, all brass sections profusely engraved and with raised decorative pieces at the back of the brass stocks, both pistols stored in a foam filled, black metal carry case. *Very good.* (2)

\$500

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3431*

Ottoman Empire, late 15th - early 16th century, battle axe head, crescent shaped blade, deeply bearded with knob finial, overall length 24.5cm. *Edge notched, pitted and acid cleaned, otherwise fine and very rare.*

\$3,200

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3432*

Ottoman Empire, 16th-18th century, steel-mounted Islamic wicker Kalkan shield (28cm), domed and of circular shape composed of concentric wicker woven with coloured thread, the exterior is made up of radial steel bars linking the steel frame, steel domed centre boss with rosette and five square finials, the interior set with wood and the remains of the original red fabric lining, leather strap, and six iron rings for suspension. Some minor wear to the thread, otherwise in good condition for its age.

\$2,800

Together with a Certificate of Authenticity No.121126 from Hundred & One Antiques, Toronto, Canada.



3433*

Ottoman Empire, 16th-18th century, steel-mounted Islamic wicker Kalkan shield (26cm), domed and of circular shape composed of concentric wicker woven with coloured thread, the exterior is made of radial steel bars linking the steel frame, the steel domed centre boss with rosette and five square finials, the interior set with remains of the original red fabric lining, cotton cushion, leather strap, and six iron rings for suspension. Some minor wear to the thread, otherwise in good condition for its age.

\$2,800

Together with a Certificate of Authenticity No.120342 from Hundred & One Antiques, Toronto, Canada.



3434*

Ottoman Empire, 17th century, armoured cavalry helmet, a plain shallow domed steel skull plate with chain mail Camail attached to the rim, each ring riveted (height from top to bottom of the chain mail approx 39.5cm). The skull plate with an old repair and two iron plates reinforced, otherwise fine and very rare.

\$4,600

Together with a Certificate of Authenticity No.121136 from Hundred & One Antiques, Toronto, Canada.



3435*

Ottoman Empire, late 18th century, shamshir sword with forged wootz (Damscus watered) steel blade 79cm long, decorated at the top with gold koftgari work, bone grips with recesses for fingers, guard decoratively engraved on both sides, small double link chain from guard to pommel, leather covered scabbard with spiral stitching and mounted with large chased silver locket and chape, both of these with some decorative engraving, two mounting loops, total length including scabbard 95cm. Some small dents on the locket and chape silver coverings, and a very small edge chip on blade, otherwise fine.

\$4,000

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3436*

Ottoman Empire, mid 19th century, yataghan sword with finely forged blade of twisted steel strips in a pattern known as 'Turkish Ribbon', length of blade 53.5cm, very richly decorated with gold koftgari work and inscriptions in Arabic letters on both faces, with silver bolsters and grip strap, set with coral stones, gilded silver grips, scabbard covered fabric (later) and mounted with large, very finely chased silver locket and chape with a fish head at the tip, total length including scabbard 71cm. Traces of hammering in the blade centre and some nicks to flat back edge, otherwise very fine and a very impressive Yataghan sword.

\$3,600

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3437*

Ottoman Empire, 18th - 19th century, shamshir sword with a blade forged from high contrast wootz (Damascus watered) steel with strong clear pattern, blade length 79cm, bone grips with recesses for the fingers, grip strap, cross guard and scabbard mounts are silver as are the locket and chape, leather covered scabbard with its original classical spiral stitching, silver parts stamped with proof marking, the open top front edge of scabbard to enable ease of removal of blade has a drop-down guard, this loose, total length including scabbard 96.5cm. A few small spots with loss of leather on scabbard and some dents in silver locket and chape, otherwise very good.

\$2,800

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Ottoman Empire, early 19th century, yataghan sword with 66cm blade in Damascus steel and with maker's mark and flat back edge, the handle is bone with flared ears and around the centre and overlaying onto the blade for a distance of 10cm is an elaborately carved, raised silver decoration, the scabbard of velvet with a gold bullion stripe down one side also has an elaborately carved silver locket (12cm) and chape (16cm), the top decorative locket section has a loop for attaching to a sword belt, total length including scabbard 82cm. Very fine.

\$2,600

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3439*

Ottoman Empire, mid 19th century, yataghan sword (58cm), mid 19th century, with well forged 58cm blade with impressed maker's mark, fine bone grip with flared ears and around the centre and overlaying onto the blade for a distance of 9cm is an elaborately carved, raised silver decoration, with a very finely chased, heavy silver scabbard, total length including scabbard 81cm. Grips with a few age cracks and good age patina, one solder repair around the diameter of the scabbard, otherwise very fine.

\$2,600

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3440*

Storage and transit case, made of aluminium with reinforced corners, heavy duty rubber carry handle, hinged lid with three separate hinges on exterior, secure locks, interior under lid and on base with dark green velvet covered foam, approx case size 102x32x13.5cm, purpose built by Image Alloy Cases of Western Australia, this case made to house two Ottoman Empire swords, one yataghan and one shamshir. Can be used as is or internal base can be refitted by adding new foam to accommodate items to be stored or transported, normal usage marks, otherwise very fine.

3441

Storage and transit case, made of aluminium with reinforced corners, heavy duty rubber carry handle, hinged lid with three separate hinges on exterior, secure locks, interior under lid and on base with dark green velvet covered foam, approx case size 74x40x17.5cm, purpose built by Image Alloy Cases of Western Australia, this case made to house two Ottoman Empire small shields and an axe head. Can be used as is or internal base can be refitted by adding new foam to accommodate items to be stored or transported, normal usage marks, otherwise very fine.

\$100



3442*

Storage and transit case, made of aluminium with reinforced corners, heavy duty rubber carry handle, hinged lid with three separate hinges on exterior, secure locks, interior under lid and on base with dark green velvet covered foam, approx case size 72x40x11.5cm, purpose built by Image Alloy Cases of Western Australia, this case made to house four Ottoman Empire daggers. Can be used as is or internal base can be refitted by adding new foam to accommodate items to be stored or transported, normal usage marks, otherwise very fine.

\$100

3443

Storage and transit case, made of aluminium with reinforced corners, heavy duty rubber carry handle, hinged lid with three separate hinges on exterior, secure locks, interior under lid and on base with dark green velvet covered foam, approx case size 116x35x12.5cm, purpose built by Image Alloy Cases of Western Australia, this case made to house two Ottoman Empire swords, both shamshir. Can be used as is or internal base can be refitted by adding new foam to accommodate items to be stored or transported, normal usage marks, otherwise very fine.

\$120



3444*

Australia, Lithgow 1907 Pattern sword bayonet, 1915 Lithgow stamped on ricasso, fuller on each side of blade (43cm), leather with nickel plated locket and chafe, locket marked on one side with a crown over 4, wooden handle, the metal pommel stamped on one side, '(?)075' (overall length in scabbard 57.7cm and without scabbard 55cm). *Very fine*.

\$250

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Borneo, Dayak tribal sword, slightly curved blade (54cm), with egraved decoration on both sides of ricasso, bone handle with wrapping and decorative engraving at top with hair sticking out from the pommel, wooden scabbard with carved decorative sections and wrapped with coloured binding and also with hair hanging from the top, middle and bottom sections, behind the scabbard is a crudely made leather holder and a woven carry-cord (overall length in scabbard 68cm and without scabbard 66.5cm). The engraved section of the handle damaged on one side, the leather holder cracked and torn, the carry-cord broken at one end, otherwise very good.

\$70

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3446*

British Naval sword, 19th century British Pattern 1827 by Manton & Co, England, with proved mark on ricasso, the sword blade (80cm) with floral decoration both sides and the British Royal arms on one side and a crowned (KC) fouled anchor on the other side, the fish skin wrapped handle with twisted wire and a lion's head pommel, the hand guard also decorated with a fouled anchor, the scabbard in black leather so for a Warrant Officer, with brass fittings at the locket, the chafe and in the centre, the locket with a raised shield bearing the name, 'Manton & Co, England' with a crown above (overall length in scabbard 97cm and without scabbard 95.5cm). The leather scabbard with loss of leather and cracks, otherwise fine.

\$250

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3447*

Germany, 19th century model 1871 presentation dress sword bayonet (47.5cm), ornately engraved for the Cavalry and with the text, 'Zur/Erinne-/rung/An Meine/Dienst-/reit' (As a Reminder to My Service Ride), with brass handle grooved on one side, in black leather scabbard with brass locket and chafe (overall length in scabbard 61cm and without scabbard 59cm). *Fine*.

\$150

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3448

Masonic Knights Templar sword, late 19th century, blade (71cm) ornately decorated with gilded background on both sides and features knights and other symbolism and on one side the Knight's name, 'William F. Wood', at the top near the guard is the maker's name, 'The M.C.Lilley & Co, Columbia, Ohio', the guard with the Knights Templar symbol on one side and a cross on the other, the ivory handle with the Knight's initials, 'WFW' on one side and the Knight's Templar symbol on the other side, the pommel is a metal knight's head in armour and with a short chain for attachment to guard, (chain needs a few links added at end), the scabbard with Masonic symbols at the locket and chafe and at the centre with the monogram initials, 'KM' (Knight of Malta), around the Knights Templar symbol on the locket is impressed, 'Be Thou Faithful Unto Death & I Will Give Thee A Crown By Life' (overall length in scabbard 93cm and without scabbard 89cm). Most silvering and gilding on the scabbard, handle and pommel missing, tiny bend at sword tip and some light oxidation on sword edge and on the nickel plated scabbard, otherwise good fine.

\$400

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Indonesia, traditional Javanese kris, late 19th century, with hammered iron blade with raised bands of lighter material to give it texture, edges rough and not sharpened, a decorative bulbous silvered-copper disc separates the blade (33cm) from the handle of ivory intricately carved and 3-dimensional, the sheath is silvered and with a wooden locket/guard, one side of this with texture writing in what appears to be Chinese and English (?) (overall length in scabbard 53cm and without scabbard 45cm). *Blade does not fit fully into scabbard, the scabbard with numerous dents, fine.*

\$90

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3450*

Middle Eastern scimitar style short sword, two fullers on each side of the blade (45cm), timber handle with brass fittings, black leather scabbard with brass locket and chafe (overall length in scabbard 68cm and without scabbard 60.5cm). *Fine.*

\$50

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3451*

Thailand, Royal Army Officer's dagger, with brightly polished single edge blade (29.5cm), with sharkskin handle gold wire wrapped and bright brass elephant head pommel, with gilt and steel scabbard, press-button unlock (overall length in scabbard 45cm and without scabbard 41cm). *Nearly uncirculated.*

\$200

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3452

Horse stirrups, two different, one marked on base 'L.1906/ CMF/NSW/J.&J.Wiggin Ltd/V.1 BIRY 3-11/0/4/ and a T with arrow symbol'; the other marked on the base, 'Hand Forged Steel'. *Very fine.* (2)

\$50

3453

China, horse stirrups, 17th century, in bronze with damascene pattern at top cross bars and around the base, originally gilt but now faded, very heavy (4.8kg). *Good*.

\$100

3454

Morocco, vintage horse/camel stirrups, large and wide cast in brass and with decorative pattern on base. *Very good.*

\$100





3455*

Australia, bugle in copper and brass with mouthpiece, at top front of the horn area is inscribed, 'Exposition Universelle De Paris/1900/Hors Concours/Membre Du Jury/Couesnon & Cie/94 Rue D'Angouleme/Paris/W.H.Paling & Co Ltd/Sydney N.S.W./Brisbane'. *Several dents, otherwise good.*