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THE TERRY NAUGHTON COLLECTION

ROMAN SILVER & BRONZE COINS

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4501*

Julius Caesar, (assasinated 44 B.C.), (c.49-48 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Caesar, (3.89 g), obv. elephant to right trampling on serpent, CAESAR in exergue, rev. simpulum, sprinkler, axe and priest's hat, (S.1399, Cr.443/1, Syd.1006, Julius Caesar 49). *Well centred, toned, good very fine, very scarce.*

\$1,000

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, December 21, 2004, coming from Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 77 (lot 3605), the Roger McNeice Collection who bought it from Spink Australia, c. 1985.



4502*

Julius Caesar, (assassinated 44 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Caesar in Greece, issued 48 B.C., (3.96 g), obv. female head (Clementia) wearing oak wreath to right, with LII behind, rev. trophy with Gallic shield and carnyx, to right axe, below CAE SAR, (S.1400, Cr.452/2, Syd. 1009, RSC 18). *Slightly off centred, otherwise very fine with light tone, scarce.*

\$600

Ex Noble Numismatics retail sale (3042) May 27, 2008.

The issue with LII (52) on the obverse refers to Caesar's age at the time of the issue.





4503*

Julius Caesar, (c.47-46 B.C.), silver denarius, (3.91 g), Africa mint, obv. diademed head of Venus to right, rev. CAESAR to right, Aeneas walking left, carrying Anchises and palladium, dotted border, (S.1402, Cr.458/1, Syd.1013, RSC Julius Caesar 12). Banker's mark on cheek, otherwise good very fine/nearly extremely fine, very scarce.

\$900

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 84 (lot 1780), previously from Gemini III, January 9, 2007 (lot 313).



4504*

Julius Caesar, (c.46-5 B.C.), silver denarius, Spanish mint, (3.99 g), obv. Venus diademed head to right, small Cupid behind at shoulder, rev. Gaulish captive and Gallia captive seated beneath trophy, CAESAR in exergue, (S.1404, Syd. 1014, Cr.468/1, C.Julius Caesar or RSC 13). *Struck on a compact flan, otherwise extremely fine and very scarce.*

\$800

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, Status Auction Sale October 27, 2006 (lot 6143). The issue referes to the victory over Gaulish tribes.





Julius Caesar, (c.46-5 B.C.), silver denarius, Spanish mint, (3.94 g), obv. Venus diademed head to right, small Cupid behind at shoulder, rev. Gaulish captive and Gallia captive seated beneath trophy, CAESAR in exergue, (S.1404, Syd. 1014, Cr.468/1, C.Julius Caesar or RSC 13). *Slightly off centred on reverse, otherwise good very fine and very scarce.*

\$600

Ex Paradise Coins, Pacific Fair, Queensland, March 31, 2007.



Julius Caesar, (assassinated 44 B.C.), denarius, Rome mint, struck Jan - Feb 44 B.C., (3.56 g), obv. CAESAR IMP before Caesar's laureate head to right, star of eight rays behind, rev. P. SEPVLLIVS MACER around, Venus standing left, holding Victory and sceptre resting on shield, (S.1412, Cr.480/5b, Syd.1071, BMC 4165). Slightly weak on edge, worn obverse die, small scratch on obverse, nearly extremely fine or better nicely centred and well centred, very rare in this condition. \$5,000

Ex CNG (Classical Numismatic Group) Mail bid Auction Sale 84, May 5, 2010 (lot 940) and noted as from the Elliot-Kent Collection.

This coin represents an opportunity to acquire a fine and detailed portrait of Julius Caesar issued in the year of his assassination. The year 44 B.C. marked a turning point in the history of the Roman coinage. Caesar as dictator ordered his effigy to be placed on the silver denarii struck by the four moneyers including Sepullius Macer. This was the first occurance of contemporary portraiture on the Roman coinage, and it marked a major step towards the popular acceptance of the monarchical concept in the Roman State. Although the issue was cut short by Caesar's assassination on the Ides of March, other coins were later struck bearing his portrait by the Caesarians. It soon became the practice for the appearance of more portraits of the triumvirs and other contenders for power and, soon, the emperors. This type with Venus on the reverse refers to the claim of the Julia gens to be descended from the goddess of love.



4507*

Julius Caesar, (assassinated 44 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, struck 42 B.C., (3.73 g), obv. Caesar's wreathed head to right, dotted border, rev. L. MVSSIDIVS LONGVS around, cornucopiae on globe between rudder on left and caduceus and apex, (S.1426, Cr.494/39, RSC Julius Caesar 29). *Lightly toned, good very fine and very rare in this condition*.

\$5,000

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 89 (lot 4041), where it realised \$6000 hammer.



4508*

Sextus Pompey, younger son of Pompey the Great, (died 35 B.C.), silver denarius, mint of Massilia, issued 44-43 B.C., (3.54 g), obv. bare head of Pompey the Great to right, NEPTVNI to left downwards, trident before, dolphin to right below, rev. Q NASI[DIVS] in exergue, galley under sail to right, star above, (S.1390, Cr.483/2, RSC 20, BMC Sicily 21). *Weak in places, good very fine/very fine and very rare.*

\$2,000

 Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 99 (lot 3513) the Tom May Collection.



4509*

Mark Antony, (32-31 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Mark Antony, (3.56 g), obv. praetorian galley to right with rowers etc., around ANT AVG III VIR. R.P.C., rev. legionary eagle between two standards, LEG VII below, (S.1479, Cr.544/20, Syd.1224, RSC Mark Antony 34). *Off centred obverse, otherwise very fine and scarce.*

\$250

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, March 2, 2005, acquired from Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 77 (lot 3606).



Mark Antony and Octavian, (41 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Mark Antony, (3.71 g), obv. bare head of Mark Antony to right, around [M] ANT IMP AVG III VIR R P C M BARBAT Q P, rev. bare head of Octavian to right, around CAESAR IMP PONT III VIR R P C, (S.1504, Cr.517/2, Syd.1181). Off centred on reverse, with large flan, attractive grey tone, very fine and scarce.

\$700

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, January 18, 2005 and previously from Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 77 (lot 3504).

Although produced three years after Julius Caesar's introduction of contemporary portraiture on Roman coinage, this issue displays a very developed style with encircling inscription, upon which all later imperial numismatic iconography was based. The coin was produced by Antony, honouring his colleague in the triumvirate, Octavian. The issue was struck in the name of M. Barbatius Pollio, a friend of Julius Caesar and quaestor pro praetore to Antony in the East. The year 41 B.C. saw the first meeting of Antony with Cleopatra, at Tarsus, and he spent the following winter with her in Egypt.

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4511*

Augustus, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, uncertain Spanish mint (Colonia Patricia?), issued c.20/19 - 17/16 B.C., (3.68 g), obv. laureate head of Augustus to right, rev. two laurel branches, CAESAR above and AVGVSTVS below, (cf.S.1600, RIC 51, RSC 47, BMC 352). *Lightly toned, extremely fine and rare.*

\$1,500

Ex CNG (Classical Numismatics Group) Mail bid Sale 102, May 18, 2016 (lot 834), with CNG ticket.



4512*

Augustus, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, Lyons mint, issued 15-13 B.C. (3.32 g), obv. bare head of Augustus to right, around AVGVSTVS DIVI F, rev. IMP to left X to right, in exergue ACT, Apollo Citharoedus in long drapery, standing to left, right hand holds plectrum and left hand a lyre, (S.1611, RIC 171a, C.144, BMC 461). *Off centred on the reverse, porous field, good fine/fine and rare.*

\$250

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, March 28, 2003 as bought at Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 66 (lot 3546).

The issue refers to the battle of Actium, the greatest and most important of all victories of Augustus.





Augustus, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, Lyons mint, issued 2 B.C. - A.D. 4 and later, (3.93 g), obv. laureate head of Augustus to right, CAESAR AVGVSTVS DIVI F PATER PATRIAE around, rev. Caius and Lucius Caesars standing facing, shields and spears between them, above on left simpulum to right, and on the right a lituus to left, in exergue C L CAESARES, around AVGVSTI F COS DESIG PRINC IVVENT, (S.1597, RIC 207, RSC 43, BMC 519). *Bright, large flan, extremely fine, well centred and rare in this condition.*

\$800

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, Status Auction, October 27, 2006 (lot 6146).

In 2 B.C. Augustus received the title "Pater Patriae", an honour which particularly pleased him (Res Gestae, Divi Augusti 35). The reverse of this coin clearly represents Gaius and Lucius, his adopted sons, as heirs to the throne. They appear wearing the "toga virilis" and the spears and shields presented to them by the officers. The lituus and simpulum refer to the priesthoods (pontificate and augurate) which Augustus conferred upon them. Despite the death of Lucius in A.D. 2 and Gaius two years later, the reverse type continued to be struck until the end of Augustus' reign.



Augustus as Octavian, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, uncertain Italian mint (probably Brundisium, or Rome), issued Autumn 30 B.C. (3.69 g), obv. Victory draped standing to right on prow, right hand holds wreath and left hand a palm, rev. IMP CAESAR in exergue, Octavian standing in ornamental slow quadriga to right, holding branch in right hand and reins in left hand, (S.1555, RIC 264, C.115, BMC 617). Slightly off centre on obverse and mild pitting on reverse, otherwise good very fine - nearly extremely fine and rare.

\$1,000

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 98 (lot 5281) and previously from V Auctions sale 265, lot 95 and Lanz sale 128, lot 210, with ticket.

This coin commemorates Octavian's fresh victory at Actium. The obverse, showing Victory standing on a prow, is reminiscent of the type featured on the coins of Demetrius Poliorcetes, and reflects the manner of Octavian's victory. The reverse displays Octavian as the victor, involved in the triumphal procession in Rome, which wended its way from the Forum to the Temple of Jupiter Optimus Maximus. This victory, however, was portrayed as being over the foreign queen Cleopatra, rather than Antony and those Romans who supported him (courtesy of CNG).



4515*

Augustus, (27 B.C. - 14 A.D.), silver denarius (4.00 g), Rome mint, Struck 19 B.C., P. Petronius Turpilianus, moneyer, obv. around CAESAR AVGVSTVS, bare head of Augustus to right, rev. [TVRP]ILIANVS III [VIR], six-rayed star above crescent, (S.1640, RIC 300, RSC 495, BMCRE 32, BN 163). Off centred on the reverse, otherwise extremely fine and rare.

\$900

A star within a crescent moon appears above Tarpeia on the prototype of L. Titurius Sabinus.



4516*

Tiberius, (A.D. 14-37), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 14-37, (3.45 g), obv. laureate head of Tiberius to right, around TI CAESAR DIVI AVG F AVGVSTVS, rev. PONTIF MAXIM, Livia seated to right, with vertical sceptre and branch, (S.1763, RIC 26, BMC 48, RSC 16a). *Slightly off centre on reverse, otherwise nearly extremely fine and very scarce.*

Ex Noble Numismatics retail sale March 31. 2010.

Of Biblical importance as the issue is often described as the Tribute Penny (Mark 12: 14-17).





Tiberius, (A.D. 14-37), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 14-37, (3.45 g), obv. laureate head of Tiberius to right, around TI CAESAR DIVI AVG F AVGVSTVS, rev. PONTIF MAXIM, Livia seated to right, with vertical sceptre and branch, (S.1763, RIC 26, BMC 48, RSC 16a). *Porous and rough surface, surface marks and edge chips, otherwise nearly very fine and scarce.*

\$300

\$800

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, December 21, 2004.

See note above.

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, as Status Auction Sale October 27, 2006 (lot 6148).



Gaius (Caligula), (A.D. 37-41), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 40-41, (25.34 g), obv. Pietas veiled and draped seated to left, holding a patera, left arm resting on a facing figure draped on basis, around C CAESAR DIVI AVG PRON AVG P M TR POT, PIETAS in exergue, dotted border, rev. DIVO AVG over S C across the field, hexastyle garlanded temple, quadriga above, before which is Gaius, veiled and togate, sacrificing with patera over altar, one attendant leads a bull another behind, (cf.S.1802, RIC 36, BMC 41). *Brown worn surface, fine and scarce.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, March 2, 2005.

Sear (p.356), comments on this issue noting that there were two temples in Rome honouring the deified Augustus, one on the Palatine, the other of uncertain location, possibly behind the Basilica Julia in the depression between the Palatine and Capitoline Hills. The latter, built under Tiberius, was dedicated by Caligula in August A.D. 37, an event commemorated by this elaborate architectural type.



4519*

Gaius (Caligula), (A.D. 37-41), AE as, Rome mint, issued A.D. 37-38, (10.96 g), obv. bare head of Caligula to left, around C CAESAR AVG GERMANICVS PON M TR POT, rev. VESTA above, Vesta seated to left, veiled and draped seated on ornamental throne, holding patera and transverse sceptre, S C across field, (S.1803, RIC 38, C.27, BMC 46). *Attractive dark green patina, good very fine and rare in this condition.*

\$600

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, March 28, 2003 (cost 1500, coming from R.West Collection at 2000DM).



4520*

Agrippa, (died 12 B.C.), posthumous issue struck by Caligula (A.D. 37-41), AE as, (11.63 g), obv. M AGRIPPA L F COS III, head to left wearing rostral crown, rev. S C, across, Neptune standing to left, holding dolphin and trident, (S.1812, RIC 58 (Caligula), C.3). *Good very fine and rare in this condition.* \$750

Ex CNG (Classical Numismatics Group) Mail bid Sale 85, September 15, 2010 (lot 839), with CNG ticket and previously from V Coins, Sale 241, February 4, 2010 (lot 62) with ticket.



4521*

Claudius, (A.D. 41-54), silver cistophorus, Ephesus mint, issued 41-42, (11.13 g), obv. bare head of Claudius to left, around TI CLAVD CAES AVG, rev. [D]IAN EPHE either side of tetrastyle temple of the Ephesian Diana, containing cult-statue of the goddess, pediment decorated with scene of worshippers at altar, (S.1839, RIC 118, RPC 2222, RSC 30, BMC 221). *Nearly very fine/very fine and scarce.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 78 (lot 5121).





Claudius, (A.D. 41-54), AE As, Rome mint, issued A.D. 41-2, (11.88 g), obv. bare head to left of Claudius around TI CLAVDIVS CAESAR AVG P M TR P IMP, rev. LIBERTAS AVGVSTA, S C across field, Libertas standing right holding pileus, (S.1859, RIC 97, C.47). *Nick in edge, otherwise very fine.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, March 28, 2003.



4523*

Nero, (A.D. 54-68), silver denarius, issued c.65-66, Rome mint, (3.20 g), obv. laureate head to right of Nero, around NERO CAESAR AVGVSTVS, rev. Jupiter seated left on throne, holding thunderbolt and sceptre, [IVPPITER] CVSTOS around, (cf.S.1943, RIC 45, RSC 119). *Toned, very fine/very good, scarce.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, March 28, 2003.



4524*

Nero, (A.D. 54-68), silver denarius, issued c.65-66, Rome mint, (2.54 g), obv. laureate head to right of Nero, around NERO CAESAR AVGVSTVS, rev. Salus seated to left on throne, holding patera, SALVS in exergue, (cf.S.1945, RIC 52, BMC 90, RSC 314). *Nearly very fine/good fine and rare.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, April 7, 2006.

\$250

\$250

\$1,500



Nero, (A.D. 54-68), AE sestertius, Lugdunum mint, issued A.D. 65, (25.65 g), obv. laureate head of Nero to right, around NERO CLAVD CAESAR AVG GER P M TR P IMP P P, rev. Nero bare-headed and cuirassed on prancing horse to right, holding spear, beyond and behind him a mounted soldier prancing to right with vexillum held over right shoulder, DECVRSIO in exergue, S C across, (S.1957, RIC 396, WCN 408, BMC 311). *Dark green patina, very minor smoothing in the field, otherwise good very fine, portrait almost extremely fine and rare in this condition.*

\$1,200

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 87 (lot 4269) and previously Sale 79 (lot 3595).

The reverse legend comes from decurro meaning run downwards or charge and is applied to military or equestrian manoeuvres. On this coin Nero is leading a formal cavalry parade probably in the Circus Maximus.



4526*

Nero, (A.D. 54-68), AE sestertius, issued c.64, Rome mint, (30.31 g), obv. laureate head to right of Nero, around NERO CLAVD CAESAR AVG G ER P M TR P IMP PP, rev. Arch with quadriga above, Mars standing in left niche, S C across field, (S.1962, RIC 143, BMC 183). *Good fine, attractive light brown patina with surface roughness.*

\$600

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 79 (lot 3596).

The Arch has been identified as that decreed by the Senate in A.D. 58 (Tacitus Annals xiii, 41) to commemorate the eastern victories of Cn. Domitius Corbulo. It was located on the Capitoline Hill but its exact site is uncertain, the structure probably having been demolished following Nero's downfall a few years later.



4527*

Nero, (A.D. 54-68), AE dupondius, issued c.65, Rome mint, (12.74 g), obv. laureate head to right of Nero, around NERO CAESAR AVG GERM IMP, rev. view of temple of Janus with latticed window to left and door on right, around PACE P.R. VBIQ. PARTA IANVM CLVSIT, S C across field, (cf.S.1964, cf.RIC 306 [AE as], WCN 288 [AE as]). *Nearly very fine and extremely rare as a dupondius.*

\$400

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 80 (lot 3324).

The coin type is an As, if struck in copper, although this piece is struck in orichalcum (the alloy used for a dupondius). It is also heavier than the usual As and about the same weight as a dupondius. Consequently as the series is a very diverse one with some laureate issues being dupondii it is considered that this coin is a dupondius using dies and legends only noted in RIC for an As. Consequently it is a new variety not previously published.





Galba, (A.D. 68-69), silver denarius, Narbo mint, issued May - June A.D. 68, (3.42 g), obv. laureate head of Galba to right, around SER GALBA IMPERATOR, rev. around CONCOR[DIA] PROVINCIARVM, Concordia draped, standing to left, holding branch and cornucopiae, (S.2100, RIC 105, RSC 34, BMC 241a). *Toned with a porous reverse, otherwise good very fine/nearly very fine and rare.*

\$500

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, Status Auction Sale No.250, October 17, 2008 (lot 8412).



4529*

Galba, (A.D. 68-69), silver denarius, issued late 68 - January 69, Rome mint, (3.23 g), obv. laureate head to right of Galba, around IMP SER GALBA AVG, rev. Livia standing to left, holding patera and sceptre, around DIVA AVGVSTA, (cf. S.2102, BMC 5, RIC 152, RSC 52a). *Good fine with a bold portrait, rare.*

\$400

Ex Richard Welling (Old Coins) Para Hills South Australia, purchased at ANDA Fair at Randwick, NSW, August 16, 2008, previously from CNG Electronic Auctions Sale 98 September 29, 2004 (lot 118); previously from Italo Vecchi, Ltd., London, Sale 13, September 4, 1998, (lot 749), lot includes Welling and CNG tickets.



Otho, (A.D. 69), silver denarius, issued 69, Rome mint, (3.37 g), obv. bare head to right of Otho, around [IMP M] OTHO CAESAR AVG TR P, rev. Ceres standing to left, holding two corn ears and cornucopiae, around PONT MA[X], (cf. S.2158, BMC 9, RIC 20 [noted only as a gold aureus], RSC 11). *Toned, short on flan, nearly extremely fine and rare.* \$1.000

Ex McHugh Collection, sold in Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 95 (lot 5466) and later Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 105 (lot 4158).



4531*

Vitellius, (A.D. 69), silver denarius, (3.49 g), obv. laureate head right of Vitellius, A VITELLIVS GERM IMP AVG TR P around, rev. PONT MAXIM, Vesta on throne to right, holding wreath, (S.2200, RIC 107, RSC 72, BMC 34). *Extremely fine and rare in this condition.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 90 (lot 3419).



4532*

Vitellius, (A.D. 69), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued April - Dec. 69, (3.24 g), obv. A VITELLIVS GERM IMP AVG T R P, laureate head to right of Vitellius, rev. tripod lebes, dolphin above, raven below, around XV VIR SACR FAC, (S.2201, RIC 109, RSC 111, BMC 39). *Very fine with light toning and rare.*

\$500

\$3,000

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, June 2, 2009, acquired from the Gordon S. Parry Collection through Classical Numismatics Group Mail bid Sale 79, September 17, 2008 (lot 1082) and September 15, 2010 (lot 839), with CNG ticket.



4533*

Vespasian, (A.D. 69-79), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 70, (3.40 g), obv. laureate head of Vespasian to right, around IMP CAESAR VESPASIANVS AVG, rev. Pax seated to left holding olive branch and caduceus, COS ITER TR POT around, (S.2285, RIC 10, RSC 94h, BMC 26). *Good very fine and scarce.*

\$250

Ex Noble Numismatics bought March 24, 2004.

The Reka-Devnia hoard contained 1725 denarii of Vespasian but none of this variety.



4534*

Vespasian, (A.D. 69-79), silver denarius, Rome mint, issue of A.D. 69-70, (3.30 g), obv. [IMP CAE]SAR VESPASIANVS AVG, laureate head to right of Vespasian, rev. IVDAEA in exergue, Judaea seated to right weeping at foot of trophy, (S.2296, RIC 15, Brin 16, BMC 37, RSC 226, H.759 [198]). *Toned, very fine/nearly very fine and very scarce.*

\$300

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, November 11, 2005.

The Judaea Capta issue is a Roman coin, created to commemorate and propagandise the Roman victory of the Jewish War. In addition, it was designed to stabilize the political upset of 68-69, and to firmly establish the Flavian Dynasty.



4535*

Vespasian, (A.D. 69-79), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 71, (3.43 g), obv. laureate head of Vespasian to right, around IMP CAES VESP AVG P M, rev. Pax seated to left holding branch and caduceus, TRI POT II COS III P P around, (S.2313, RIC 39, RSC 566). *Nearly extremely fine/very fine and scarce.*

\$150

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, April 7, 2006.

The Reka-Devnia hoard contained 1725 denarii of Vespasian but only 19 of this variety.



Vespasian, (A.D. 69-79), AE sestertius, Rome mint, third issue of A.D. 71, (21.94 g), obv. IMP CAES VESPAS AVG P M TR P P P COS III, laureate head to right of Vespasian, rev. Jewess seated to right below palm, behind, Jewish captive standing right, hands tied behind back, arms in field, S C in exergue, around IVDAEA CAPTA, (S.2325, RIC 233, BN 491, BMC 532, H.773). Obverse field slightly rough, otherwise good very fine/nearly extremely fine and rare in this condition.

\$2,000

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, Status Auction Sale 271, October 27, 2010 (lot 5446).

The size of the sestertius afforded the artist great scope for the design and potency of the issue. The value of the orichalcum (brass) sestertius, bright and shiny, gold-like when issued, was one quarter silver denarius or 100 to the gold aureus. Kraay has convincingly argued that the Judaea Capta sestertii with this obverse legend were "closely connected with the triumph of Vespasian and Titus that was celebrated at the end of June 71".



4537*

Titus, (A.D. 79-81), silver denarius, Rome mint, issue of A.D. 79-80, (3.53 g), obv. IMP TITVS CAES VESPASIAN AVG P M, laureate head to right, rev. BONVS IVENTVS AVGVSTI, Bonus Eventus standing left, holding patera and corn-ears and poppy, (S.2503, RIC 31, BMC 106, RSC 25). Nearly extremely fine/extremely fine with mint bloom, very scarce.

Ex Monetarium, Adelaide, June 3, 2009.



4538*

Titus, (A.D. 79-81), silver denarius, Rome mint, issue of A.D. 79, (3.04 g), obv. IMP TITVS CAES VESPASIANVS AVG P M, laureate head to right of Titus, rev. TR P VIIII IMP XIIII COS VII P P, capricorn to left, globe below, (S.2510, RIC 19, BMC 22, RSC 280). *Rough surface, toned, very fine and scarce in this condition.* \$250

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, April 28, 2006.



4539*

Titus, in honour of Vespasian, (A.D. 79-81), silver denarius, Rome mint, issue of A.D. 80, (3.45 g), obv. DIVVS AVGVSTVS VESPASIANVS, laureate head to right, rev. SC on circular shield supported by two capricorns back to back, globe below, (S.2569, RIC 63, RSC 497 [Vespasian], BMC 131 [Titus]). *Extremely fine and a rare variant*.

\$400

 Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 98 (lot 5321) and previously from CNG with their ticket.



4540*

Domitian, (A.D. 81-96), issued as Caesar under Titus, silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 80, (3.40 g), obv. laureate head of Domitian to right, around CAESAR DIVI F DOMITIANVS COS VII, rev. around PRINCEPS IVVENTVTIS, garlanded and lighted altar, (S.2676, RIC T92, RSC 397a. *Very fine/nearly very fine.*

\$100

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 83 (lot 3418).

The Reka Devnia hoard of 81,044 silver coins contained 632 coins of Domitian, with 48 coins of this variety.





\$600

Domitian, (A.D. 81-96), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 92-3, (3.00 g), obv. laureate head of Domitian to right, around IMP CAES DOMIT AVG GERM P M TR P XII, rev. around IMP XXII COS XVI CENS P P P, Minerva standing to right on vessel with owl at feet, in fighting pose holding javelin and shield, (cf.S.2735, RIC 172, RSC 281). *Attractive, toned very fine/good very fine and very scarce in this condition.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, February 27, 2004.

\$160

\$150



4542*

Domitian, (A.D. 81-96), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 95, (3.16 g), obv. laureate head of Domitian to right, around IMP CAES DOMIT AVG GERM P M TR P XIIII, rev. around IMP XXII COS XVII CENS P P P, Minerva standing to right on vessel with owl at feet, in fighting pose holding javelin and shield, (cf.S.2735, RIC 187, RSC 289). *Attractive, nearly extremely fine and very scarce in this condition.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 78 (lot 5141).



Domitian as Caesar under Titus, (A.D. 81-96), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued 81, (23.90 g), obv. laureate head of Domitian to right, around CAES DIVI VESP F DOMITIANVS COS VII, rev. Minerva advancing to right, S C across, (S.2682, RIC 157c, cf.C.439). *Tiber patina, good fine/very fine and very scarce.*

\$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 79 (lot 3614) and Charles E. Weber Collection with his tickets and from Platz, March 16, 1981.



4544*

Domitian, (A.D. 81-96), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 86, (20.82 g), obv. laureate head of Domitian to right, around IMP CAES DOMIT AVG GERM COS XV CENS PER P P, rev. S C in exergue, Domitian standing left crowned by Victory, (S.2774, cf.RIC 322, C.510). *Dark brown patina, nearly very fine, very scarce.*

\$500

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 78 (lot 3495) and previously from Antiquarius, New Zealand, (acquired in 1982 with their ticket).



4545*

Domitian, (A.D. 81-96), AE sestertius, issue struck at Rome in A.D.90-91, (24.64 g), obv. IMP CAES DOMIT AVG GERM COS XV CENS PER PP, head laureate to right, rev. IOVI VICTORI around, S C in exergue, Jupiter seated to left, holding Victory and sceptre, (cf.S.2766, RIC 388, C.314). *Dark brown patina, weakness on legend on reverse, otherwise good very fine and rare.*

\$1,200

Ex Monetarium, Adelaide, July 9, 2007.

Jupiter the Victorious sitting with the image of Victory in his right hand, is regarded as the conqueror of all things. In this example Domitian designates to himself the form and attributes of Jupiter Victor.



4546*

Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), silver denarius, issued 99, Rome mint, (3.25 g), obv. laureate bust draped to right of Trajan, around IMP CAES NERVA TRAIA N AVG GERM, rev. Victory seated to left, holding patera and palm, around P M TR P COS II P P, (cf.S.3143, RIC 10, RSC 213). *nearly extremely fine and rare in this condition.*

\$200

\$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 79 (lot 3618).



4547*

Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), silver denarius, issued 99, Rome mint, (3.32 g), obv. laureate bust draped to right of Trajan, around IMP CAES NERVA TRA IAN AVG GERM, rev. Victory seated to left, holding patera and palm, around P M TR P COS II P P, (cf.S.3143, RIC 10, BMC 41, RSC 213). *Good very fine/very fine.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, November 20, 2004.



4548*

Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), silver denarius, issued 102, Rome mint, (3.49 g), obv. laureate head of Trajan to right, draped on far shoulder, around IMP CAES NERVA TRAIAN AVG GERM, rev. Mars advancing to right, holding trophy and spear, around P M TR P COS IIII P P, (cf.S.3146, RIC 52, RSC 228a). *Nearly extremely fine and rare in this condition.* \$200

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 82 (lot 4086).

The Reka-Devnia hoard contained 5217 denarii of Trajan with 23 of this variety.



4549*

Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), silver denarius, issued 102, Rome mint, (3.08 g), obv. laureate head with slight drapery on shoulder to right of Trajan, around IMP CAES NERVA TRAIAN AVG GERM, rev. Victory standing to right head to left, holding wreath and palm, around P M TR P COS IIII P P, (cf.S.3145, RIC 58, RSC 240b). *Nearly extremely fine and rare.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, April 7, 2006.



Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), silver denarius, issued 102, Rome mint, (3.20 g), obv. laureate bust draped to right of Trajan, around IMP CAES NERVA TRAIAN AVG GERM, rev. Victory standing to left, holding palm and sacrificing with patera over lighted and garlanded altar, around P M TR P COS IIII P P, (cf.S.3145,RIC 67, RSC 248a, BMC 125). *Light attractive tone with a full flan, nearly extremely fine and rare in this condition.*

\$200

 Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 82 (lot 4087) coming from the John Dean Collection.

In the Reka Devnia Hoard of 81,044 coins, some 5217 were of Trajan and only 11 were of this rare type.

4551

Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), silver denarius, issued 108, Rome mint, (2.81 g), obv. laureate head to right of Trajan, around IMP TRAIANO AVG GER DAC P M TR P, rev. DAC CAP in exergue, Dacian to left, wearing peaked cap, mourning, seated on a pile of shields, two swords and two spears, around COS V P P S P Q R OPTIMO PRINC, (cf.S.3136, RIC 98, RSC 120, BMC 390). *Good fine/fine.* \$80

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 88 (lot 3527 part).



4552*

Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), silver denarius, issued 108, Rome mint, (3.34 g), obv. laureate bust to right of Trajan with drapery on the far shoulder, around IMP TRAIANO AVG GER DAC P M TR P, rev. Felicitas standing to left, holding caduceus, around COS V P P S P Q R OPTIMO PRINC, (S.3124, RIC 120, RSC 81). *Toned, extremely fine/good very fine.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, April, 2003.



4553*

Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), AE sestertius, issued 107, Rome mint, (26.23 g), obv. laureate head with aegis on far shoulder to right of Trajan, around IMP CAES NERVAE TRAIANO AVG GER DAC P M TR P COS V P P, rev. Victory standing to right, inscribing VIC/DAC on shield attached to palm stump, around S P Q R OPTIMO PRINCIPI, S C across field, (S.3201, RIC 527, C.454). *Well centred, Tiber patina, some roughness, otherwise nearly very fine.*

\$500

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 87 (lot 4289) and previously from Numismatic Ars Classica, Zurich, Auction Sale M June 26, 2003 (lot 1932).



4554*

Trajan, (A.D.117-138), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued 103-111, (23.08 g), obv. laureate bust of Trajan to right, drapery on far shoulder, IMP CAE[S NER]VAE TRAIANO AVG GER DAC P M TR P [COS V PP], rev. single span bridge with tower at each end SPQR OPTI[MO PRIN]CIPI, boat below, S C in exergue, (S.3207, RIC 569, BMC 849, C.542). Dark brown patina, weak in places, nearly fine/fine and scarce.

\$400

 Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 78 (lot 5145) and Manfred Wilschke in June 1993.

Although it has been suggested that the reverse represents the famous bridge over the Danube, RIC states that it is "impossible that a bridge of this type was used to negotiate so wide a river as the Danube". RIC suggests that it may be the ancient Pons Sublicus. "Celator" in a June 1995 article by Marvin Tameanko `The "Danube Bridge" on the coinage of Trajan' concludes, that the reverse was a political statement that in essence states `The Senate and the Roman people salute Trajan, the very best of rulers. He defeated our enemies and greatly expanded the empire. He even built large bridges to cross over wide rivers, all for the greater glory of Rome'.





\$200

Trajan, (A.D.98-117), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued 116, (26.81 g), obv. laureate draped bust of Trajan to right, around IMP CAES NER TRAIANO OPTIMO AVG GER DAC P M TR P COS VI P P, rev. Fortuna seated to left holding rudder and cornucopiae, around SENATVS POPVLVSQVE ROMANVS, FORT RED over S C in exergue, (S.3193, RIC 651, C.157). Attractive dark brown patina, nearly extremely fine/good very fine with a flan crack, rare in this condition. \$1,200

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, Status Auction Sale 242, October 30, 2006 (lot 7999).



Trajan, (A.D. 98-117), AE dupondius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 107, (12.02 g), obv. radiate bust with drapery on far shoulder of Trajan to right, around IMP CAES NERVAE TRAIANO AVG GER DAC P M TR POT V P P, rev. S P Q R OPTIMO PRINCIPI, S C across, cuirasse and protective apron, (cf.S.3224, RIC 582 [corrected aegis], C.567). Some minor pitting and surface corrosion, otherwise nearly extremely fine and rare.

\$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 91 (lot 3639).



4557*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 117, Rome mint, (3.59 g), obv. laureate, head to right of Hadrian with drapery on far shoulder, around IMP CAES TRAIAN HADRIANO AVG DIVI TRA, rev. Concordia seated to left, holding patera, cornucopiae under throne, arm resting on Spes, CONCORD in exergue, around PARTH F DIVI NER NEP P M TR P COS, (cf.S.3465, RIC 9, RSC 248, BMC 17). *Toned, good very fine/very fine and scarce.*

\$150

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 26, 2008 and previously noted to be from Numismatic Fine Arts in 1978.



4558*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 122, Rome mint, (3.33 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian with drapery on far shoulder, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG P P, rev. PM TR P COS III around, Minerva advancing to right brandishing javelin and holding round shield, (S.3517, RIC 69, RSC 1063a). *Well centred, good very fine/very fine, scarce.*

\$200





4559*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 122, (3.30 g), obv. laureate head of Hadrian to right, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN H ADRIANVS AVG, rev. around P M TR P COS III, Oceanus reclining to left holding anchor and resting left arm on dolphin, (S.3518, RIC 75, RSC 1109). *Lightly toned, good very fine and rare depiction of Oceanus.*

\$400

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 15, 2008. Oceanus is the god of waters encircling the earth.



4560*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 123, Rome mint, (3.24 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, drapery on left shoulder, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG, rev. P M TR P COS III around, Roma seated on cuirass shield to left holding Victory and spear, (S.3519, RIC 77, BMC 139, RSC 1103.8, RSC 337b). *Toned, nearly extremely fine, scarce.* \$200

Ex Noble Numismatics private sale, April 30, 2003.



4561*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 121, Rome mint, (3.09 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG, rev. P M TR P COS III around, Fortuna standing left, holding rudder in her right hand and a cornucopiae in left hand, (S.3521, RIC 85, BMC 174, RSC 1155). *Toned, nearly extremely fine, scarce.*

\$200

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 26, 2008, previously from W. Holt in 2005.



4562*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 122, Rome mint, (2.84 g), obv. laureate bust to right of Hadrian draped, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN H ADRIANVS AVG, rev. P M TR P COS III around, Genius standing to left holding patera over lighted altar and holding corn ears, (cf.S.3522, cf.RIC 88, BMC 188, RSC 1094a). *Good very fine.*

\$200

Ex Noble Numismatics private sale April 1, 2014, previously from Michael Trenerry with his ticket.



Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 121, Rome mint, (2.96 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian drapery on far shoulder, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG, rev. P M TR P COS III around, Pax standing to left holding branch and sceptre, (cf.S.3523, RIC 94, BMC 194, RSC 1140a). *Nearly extremely fine, lightly toned, scarce.*

\$160

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, June 9, 2009 and previously from Robert Loosley approximately in 1971.



4564*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 122, (3.27 g), obv. laureate head of Hadrian to right, drapery on right shoulder, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG, rev. around P M TR P COS III, galley to left with rowers and mast, (S.3529, RIC 113, RSC 1174a). *Toned, very fine and rare.* S400

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 82 (lot 4092).



4565*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 124, (3.35 g), obv. laureate bust of Hadrian draped to right, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG, rev. around P M TR P COS III, CLEM in exergue, Clementia standing to left holding a patera, sacrificing over altar, resting left elbow on column, holding sceptre, (cf.S.3463, cf.RIC 116, BMC 213, RSC 213). *Struck on a full flan, very fine.* \$100

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, June 9, 2009.



4566*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 121, Rome mint, (3.61 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian with drapery on far shoulder, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG, rev. LIBERAL AVG/ III in exergue, P M TR P COS III around, Hadrian seated to left on platform, extending right hand towards citizen who stands to right on ground before him, (S.3504, RIC 129, BMC 293, RSC 909). *Lightly toned, good very fine/very fine and rare.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 15, 2008.

The Reka Devnia hoard of 81,044 silver coins contained 5892 coins of Hadrian, it contained only one coin of this type.



4567*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 128, Rome mint, (2.95 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, drapery on left shoulder, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, Annona seated to left, foot at inverted modius, holding hook and cornucopiae, (S.3474, RIC 170, RSC 379, BMC 385). *Bright, good very fine, scarce.*

\$200

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 90 (lot 3441).



4568*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 125, Rome mint, (3.36 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, drapery on left shoulder, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, Libertas standing to left, holding pileus and rod, (S.3477, RIC 175, BMC 402, RSC 374a). *Toned, good very fine, scarce.*

Ex Noble Numismatics private sale, August 15, 2008.





Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 128, Rome mint, (3.15 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, Pudicitia veiled seated to left on throne, (S.3478, RIC 178, RSC 393a, BMC 409), Lightly toned, very fine.

\$150

\$120

\$150

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, June 9, 2009.





Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 127, Rome mint, (3.01 g), obv. laureate bust to right of Hadrian, drapery on far shoulder, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, Victory naked to waist facing, head to right placing right hand on head, holding long palm in left hand, (S.4480, RIC 182, BMC 422, RSC 359). *Bright, good fine and scarce.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, June 9, 2009.



Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 126, Rome mint, (3.27 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, drapery on left shoulder, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, Victory seated left holding wreath and palm, (S.-, RIC 183, BMC 426, RSC 361). *Toned, very fine, scarce.*

\$120

Ex Noble Numismatics private sale, August 18, 2008.



4572*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 128, Rome mint, (3.24 g), obv. laureate bust to right of Hadrian, drapery on far shoulder, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, one star within crescent, (S.3484, RIC 200, BMC 456, RSC 460a). *Bright, good very fine and scarce.*

\$150

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, April 7, 2006.



4573*

4574*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 127, Rome mint, (2.73 g), obv. laureate bust to right of Hadrian, drapery on far shoulder, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, seven stars within crescent, (S.3485, RIC 202, BMC 464, RSC 460). *Lightly toned, very fine and scarce.* \$150

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 131, Rome

mint, (3.11 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, drapery

on far shoulder, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev.

FELICITATI AVG above, COS III P P below, galley rowed to

left with four rowers and pilot, (cf.S.3490, cf.RIC 209, RSC

652, BMC 543 note). Very fine or better, a scarce type.

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 15, 2008.



4575*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 132, Rome mint, (3.28 g), obv. laureate bust to right of Hadrian draped, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III P P in exergue, around ROMA FELIX, Roma seated to left on shield, holding Palladium and spear, (cf.S.3536, RIC 220, RSC 1308a). *Toned, nearly extremely fine, scarce.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 15, 2008.



4576*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 134, Rome mint, (2.71 g), obv. bare head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. Roma in military dress standing left, holding spear and clasping right hands with Hadrian who stands right holding roll, around ADVENTVS AVG, (cf.S.3455, RIC 226, RSC 80). *Well centred, toned, very fine and scarce.*

\$120

\$200

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, June 9, 2009.





Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 135, Rome mint, (3.08 g), obv. bare head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. modius containing cornears and poppy, around ANNONA AVG, (cf.S.3461, RIC 230, RSC 172). *Well centred, toned, good fine and scarce.* \$100

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, June 9, 2009.



4578*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 137, Rome mint, (3.34 g), obv. bare head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. SALVS AVG, Salus standing to right feeding a snake arising from altar, (S.3540, RIC 267, RSC 1334). *Nearly extremely fine, lightly toned with cut into edge.*

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 15, 2008.



Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 18, 2008.



Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 133, Rome mint, (3.34 g), obv. bare head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. Tellus reclining to left, resting left elbow on basket of fruit, vine branch against left arm, right arm resting on uncertain object, TELLVS around STABIL in exergue, (S.3544, RIC 277, RSC 1429). *Well centred on the obverse, good very fine and very scarce in this condition.*

\$180



4580*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 136, Rome mint, (3.46 g), obv. bare headed bust to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. AEGYPTOS around, Egypt reclining left, lotus on head, holding sistrum, resting on basket, ibis before, (cf.S.3382, RIC 297, RSC 106b). *Well centred, toned, nearly very fine and very scarce.*

\$150

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 18, 2008.

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4581*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 136, Rome mint, (3.19 g), obv. bare head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. AFRICA around, Africa reclining to left, wearing elephant-skin head-dress, leaning on a rest, holding scorpion and cornucopiae, a basket of fruit or corn-ears in front of her, (cf.S.3459, RIC 299, RSC 140, BMC 813). *Bright, very fine/good fine and scarce.*

\$150

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 18, 2008.



4582*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 136, Rome mint, (3.70 g), obv. bare head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III [P P], rev. ASIA around, Asia standing to left, foot on prow, holding hook and rudder, (S.3462, RIC 301, RSC 188, BMC 829). *Toned, slightly off centered, otherwise very fine and very scarce.*

\$200

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 21, 2008.



4583*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 136, Rome mint, (3.33 g), obv. bare head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. ITA LIA around, Italia standing to left holding sceptre and cornucopiae, (S.3499, RIC 307, RSC 867). *Bright, good very fine, a rare variant.* \$250

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 18, 2008, coming from Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 73 (lot 3588), and it from Patrick Cooper Collection and previously from I.Vecchi (London), April 1986.



4584*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 136, Rome mint, (3.15 g), obv. bare head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. NILVS across top, Nilus reclining to right, holding reed and cornucopiae, hippopotamus before, crocodile in water below, (S.3508, RIC 310, BMC 857, RSC 989). *Toned very fine and rare.*

\$200

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 18, 2008.

The Reka Devnia hoard of 81,044 silver coins contained 5892 coins of Hadrian, it contained only one coin of this type.



4585*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 136, Rome mint, (3.17 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, around [HADR]IANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. RESTITVTORI GALLIAE around, Hadrian standing to right, raising kneeling figure of Gallia facing left, (S.3534, RIC 324, BMC 878, RSC 1247). Bright, very fine and rare.

\$150

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 15, 2008.

The Reka Devnia hoard of 81,044 silver coins contained 5892 coins of Hadrian, it contained 24 coins of this type.



Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), silver denarius, issued 136, Rome mint, (3.31 g), obv. laureate head to right of Hadrian, around HADRIANVS AVG COS III P P, rev. RESTITVTORI HISPANIAE around, Hadrian standing to left, raising kneeling figure to right of Hispania holding branch, a rabbit between them, (cf.S.3535, RIC 326, BMC 883, RSC 1270). *Toned, very fine and rare.*

\$150

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, August 26, 2008.

The Reka-Devina hoard contained 5892 coins of Hadrian, but contained 14 coins of this type. The emperor Hadrian was born in Spain.



4587*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), AE sestertius, Rome mint, (22.52 g), issued 118, obv. laureate head of Hadrian to right with drapery on far shoulder, around IMP CAESAR TRAIANVS HADRIANVS AVG, rev. S C across, around PONT MAX TR POT COS II, Roma seated to right on cuirass, with spear in left hand, clasping hand of Hadrian standing left, in exergue ADVENTVS AVG, (S.3571, RIC 547, C.91, BMC 1120). *Even dark green patination somewhat uneven on reverse, very fine and rare.*

\$700

 Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, Status Auction Sale 242, November 1, 2009 (lot 8009).



4588*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 118, (26.70 g), obv. laureate head of Hadrian to right, with drapery on far shoulder, around IMP CAESAR TRAIANVS HADRIANVS AVG, rev. Annona standing to left holding corn ears and cornucopiae to left a modius and corn ears, to right a prow of a ship, around PONT MAX TR POT COS DES III, S C in field across, in exergue ANNONA AVG, (S.3576, RIC 560a, C.180). *Dark green-brown patina, good very fine and rare.*

\$600

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 87 (lot 4293), coming from the Koorooman Collection, who acquired it from Gorny & Mosch, Auction Sale 134, October 11-12, 2004 (lot 2902).



4589*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), AE sestertius, Rome mint, (21.74 g), issued 119, obv. laureate head of Hadrian to right with drapery on far shoulder, around IMP CAESAR TRAIANVS HADRIANVS AVG, rev. S C in exergue, around PONT MA[X TR POT COS III], Roma seated to left on cuirass, holding Victory and spear, (S.3622, RIC 562b, cf.C.1187). *Even dark green patination somewhat uneven on reverse, very fine bust of Hadrian, otherwise good fine and rare.* \$250

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 91 (lot 3643), coming with detailed collector's ticket.



4590*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), AE sestertius, issued 123, Rome mint, (27.78 g), obv. laureate head of Hadrian to right, drapery on far shoulder, around IMP CAES TRAIANVS HADRIAN VS AVG P M TR P COS III, rev. CONCORDIA EXERCITVVM around, Concordia standing to left, holding standard in each hand, S C in exergue, (S.3582, RIC 581a, C.268). Brown patination, nearly very fine and scarce.

\$300

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, January 23, 2012, coming from the Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 95 (lot 5471 part) and from the Pat Boland Collection.





Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 122, (23.76 g), obv. laureate draped and cuirassed bust of Hadrian to right, around IMP CAESAR TRAIAN HADRIANVS AVG, rev. P M TR P COS III around, Minerva standing to left, dropping incense on candelabrum altar and holding a spear in left hand, shield with snake at feet to right, (S.3619, RIC 611, C.1066). Almost black with attractive tone, good very fine/very fine and rare in this condition.

\$400

 Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 89 (lot 4098) and from the Dr. W. Gale Collection.



Hadrian (A.D. 117-138), AE sestertius, issued 126, Rome mint, (24.93 g), obv. laureate head of Hadrian to right, drapery on far shoulder, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, Diana standing to right, holding arrow and bow, S C across field, (S.3583, RIC 631b, C.316, BMC 1285, Hunter 390). Dark black-brown patination, two small hairline cracks, good very fine and rare in this condition. \$1,500

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, Status Auction Sale 242, October 30, 2007 (lot 8010), previously from Numismatik Lanz Munchen, Auction Sale 135, May 21, 2007 (lot 661).



4593*

Hadrian, (A.D. 117-138), AE dupondius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 126, (13.36 g), obv. radiate head of Hadrian to right, around HADRIANVS AVGVSTVS, rev. COS III around, S C in exergue, Aequitas seated to left, holding scales and cornucopiae, (S.3657, RIC 655, C.387, BMC 1320). Attractive dark tone, extremely fine and very scarce in this condition.

\$1,500

\$150

Ex CNG (Classical Numismatics Group) Mail bid Sale 90, May 23, 2012 (lot 1538), with CNG ticket.



4594*

Sabina, wife of Hadrian, (died A.D.136-7), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.21 g), issued 129, obv. draped bust to right of Sabina, with hair plait down neck, around SABINA AVGVSTA HADRIANI AVG P P, rev. CONCOR DIA AVG around, Concordia seated to left, holding patera and resting on statue of Spes, (S.3919, RIC 398, RSC 12). *Bright, good very fine and scarce.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 89 (lot 4101).



lot 4595

4595*

Aelius, Caesar, (A.D. 136-138), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 137, (3.36 g), obv. bare head of Aelius to right, around L AELIVS CAESAR, rev. around TR POT COS II, across PIE TAS, Pietas standing to right sacrificing over altar and holding incense box, (S.3971, RIC 438-9, RSC 36, BMC 989). *Toned, nearly extremely fine/good very fine and rare.* S700

Ex Strand Coins, Sydney, October 6, 2009.

The Reka-Devnia hoard that contained 156 coins of Aelius and 19 coins of this variety.



4596*

Antoninus Pius, (A.D. 138-161), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued 142, (3.68 g), obv. around ANTONINVS AVG PI VS P P TR P COS III, laureate head to right, rev. APOLLINI AVGVSTO, Apollo standing facing head to left holding patera and lyre, (S.4051, RIC 638, RSC 59, BMC 186). *Nearly extremely fine/extremely fine.*

\$200

 Ex I.S.Wright, 7 June 2011, per David Allen, previously McHugh Collection.



4597*

Antoninus Pius (A.D. 138-161), silver denarius, issued A.D. 146, (3.23 g), obv. laureate head right, around ANTONINVS AVG PIVS P P, rev. COS IIII, clasped hands holding cornucopiae between corn ears, (S.4078, RIC 136, RSC 344). *Toned, good very fine and scarce.*

\$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 82 (lot 4104). Previously Patrick Cooper Collection with his ticket and previously bought in November 1982.

The Reka Devnia hoard of 81,044 silver coins contained 7734 coins of Antoninus Pius, it contained 191 coins of this type.



4598*

Antoninus Pius, (A.D. 138-161), AE as, (10.28 g), Rome mint, issued A.D. 139, obv. laureate head of Antoninus Pius to right, around ANTONINVS AVG PIVS PP, rev. BONO EVENTVI, COS II in exergue S C across, Bonus Eventus naked, standing left sacrificing with patera over altar, holding corn ears, (cf.S.4295, RIC 555a, C.109). *Brown patina, slightly porous reverse field, weakness in portions of the legend, otherwise good very fine and scarce.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 84 (lot 1824).



Faustina Senior, wife of Antoninus Pius, (died A.D.141), silver denarius, (3.50 g), issued after 147, Rome mint, obv. draped bust to right of Faustina, around DIVA FAV STINA, rev. Aeternitas standing facing left, raising right hand and holding sceptre in left hand, around AETERNITAS, (S.4574, BMC 373, RIC 351, RSC 26). *Lightly toned, extremely fine.*

Ex Status International Sale 246 (lot 8455).



4600*

Marcus Aurelius, (A.D. 161-180), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 170, (3.07 g), obv. laureate head of Marcus Aurelius to right, around M ANTONINVS AVG TR P XXIIII, rev.Fortuna standing left holding rudder and cornucopiae, around COS III, (S.4888, RIC 215, RSC 136). *Lightly toned, good extremely fine/extremely fine.* \$180

Ex I.S.Wright, 12 March 2004.



4601*

Marcus Aurelius, (A.D. 161-180), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued 161, (25.09 g), obv. laureate head to right, around IMP CAES M AVREL ANTONINVS AVG P M, rev. CONCORD AVGVSTOR TR P XV around, [COS III] in exergue, S C across field, Marcus Aurelius and Lucius Verus with clasped hands, (S.4962, RIC.797, C.47). *Dark green-black patina, nearly full flan, very fine or better.*

\$300

 $\mathop{\rm Ex}\nolimits$ Noble Numismatics Sale 87 (lot 4306). Previously Romanorum, Canberra and Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 65 (lot 1989).

This coin refers to the accession of Marcus Aurelius as Emperor and acknowledges Lucius Verus as co-Augustus.





4602*

Marcus Aurelius, (A.D. 161-180), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued 165, (25.51 g), obv. laureate and cuirassed head to right, around M AVRE ANTONINVS AVG ARMENIACVS PM, rev. CONCORD AVGVSTOR TR POT XIX IMP II COS III around, S C across field, Providentia standing left, holding sceptre in left hand and pointing at globe at her right foot with wand in her right hand, (S.5008, RIC.905, Banti 419). *Deep brown toning, very fine and well struck for issue.*

Ex CNG Sale 87 (lot 1013).



4603*

\$200

Faustina Junior, wife of Marcus Aurelius, (died A.D. 175), silver denarius, issued 161-175, Rome mint, (3.47 g), obv. FAVSTINA AVGVSTA, draped bust to right, rev. FECVND AVGVSTAE, Fecunditas standing left between two infant children, holding two more in her arms, (S.5251, RSC 95, RIC 676, BMC 89). *Bright, nearly extremely fine and scarce.*

\$120

\$300



4604*

Faustina Junior, wife of Marcus Aurelius, (d.A.D. 175), silver denarius, issued 161-175, (3.05 g), obv. around FAVSTINA AVGVSTA, draped bust to right of Faustina, rev. FECVNDITAS, Fecunditas standing right, holding sceptre and child, (S.5252, RSC 99, RIC 677, BMC 91). *Bright extremely fine.*

\$140

Ex Noble Numismatics private sale. 31 March 2014.

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 105 (lot 4210)



4605*

Faustina Junior, wife of Marcus Aurelius, (died A.D. 175), silver denarius, issued 161, Rome mint, (3.42 g), obv. FAVSTINA AVGVSTA, draped bust to right, rev. SAECVLI FELICIT, throne on which are seated two infant boys, (S.5260, RSC 191, RIC 712, BMC 139). *Bright, extremely fine and scarce.*

\$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 105 (lot 4212).

Twin sons Commodus and Antoninus were born to Marcus Aurelius and Faustina Junior just a few months after Marcus Aurelius ascended the imperial throne. The former became emperor and the latter died at the age of four years.



Faustina Junior, wife of Marcus Aurelius, (d.A.D. 175), silver denarius, issued 161-175, (2.51 g), obv. around FAVSTINA AVGVSTA, draped bust to right of Faustina wearing diadem, rev. SALVS, Salus seated to left on throne, feeding from patera a snake emerging from an altar, arm resting on throne, (S.5262, RSC 195, RIC M714, BMC 148). *Bright, nearly extremely fine.*

\$130



4607*

Faustina Junior, wife of Marcus Aurelius, (died A.D. 175), posthumous silver denarius, (3.26 g), obv. DIVA FAV STINA PIA, draped bust to right, rev. CONSECRATIO, peacock standing right, (S.5215, RSC 71a, RIC M744). *Bright, extremely fine and very scarce.*

\$180

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 105 (lot 4213).

The Peacock symbolises marital concord and the apotheosis of the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Empress}}$.



4608*

Faustina Junior, (died 175 A.D.) wife of Marcus Aurelius, (161-180 A.D.), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued 161-175 A.D., (23.76 g), obv. draped bust of Faustina right, around FAVSTINA AVGVSTA, rev. around FECVNDITAS, Fecunditas standing right, resting on sceptre and holding infant in left hand, S C across field, (S.5274, RIC 1638). *Deep brown toning, good very fine and scarce in this condition*.

Ex Strand Coins, 31 July 2008.



lot 4609

4609*

Faustina Junior, wife of Marcus Aurelius, (died A.D. 175), AE sestertius, issued after A.D. 161, Rome mint, (27.81 g), obv. draped bust to right of Faustina wearing diadem, around FAVSTINA AVGVSTA, rev. Hilaritas standing to left, holding long palm and cornucopiae, around HILARITAS, S C across field, (S.5275, RIC 1642, C.112). *Deep green toning, good very fine.*

\$300

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 87 (lot 4311). Previously Gorny & Mosch, Germany, 2001.



4610*

Lucius Verus, (A.D. 161-169), silver denarius, issued 164, Rome mint, (3.65 g), obv. L VERVS AVG ARMENIACVS, bare head to right, rev. Mars standing to right in military dress, holding spear and resting left hand on shield, around TR P IIII IMP II COS II, (S.5355, BMC 282, RIC 515, RSC 229). Slightly uneven flan, otherwise lustrous extremely fine.

\$240

 Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 98 (lot 5361). Previously Freeman and Sear with ticket.



4611*

Lucius Verus, (A.D. 161-169), silver denarius, issued 164, Rome mint, (2.85 g), obv. L VERVS AVG ARMENIACVS, bare head to right, rev. Mars standing to right in military dress, holding spear and resting left hand on shield, around TR P IIII IMP II COS II, (S.5355, BMC 282, RIC 515, RSC 229). Toned, nearly extremely fine/very fine, scarce.

\$120

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen. 7 April 2006.



4612*

Lucius Verus, (A.D. 161-169), AE sestertius, issued 161, Rome mint, (27.84 g), obv. IMP CAES L AVREL VERVS AVG around, bare headed cuirassed bust to right, rev. Lucius Verus and Marcus Aurelius standing with clasped hands, around CONCORD AVGVSTOR T P II, S C across field, COS II in exergue, (cf.S.5367, RIC 1287, C.30). *Deep dark* green patina, good very fine and rare in this condition. \$1.000

Ex CNG Triton Sale XIV, 14 January 2011.



Lucius Verus, (A.D. 161-169), AE dupondius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 163, (13.49 g), obv. radiate headed bust of Lucius Verus, to right, around IMP CAES L AVREL VERVS AVG, rev. around FELIC A[VG TR P] III, COS II in exergue, SC across, ship with pilot and rowers to left, with mast and sail, (S.5392, RIC 1329, C.70). *Dark green patina, very fine and very scarce.*

\$280

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 78A (lot 5165). With May 1974 ticket from Spink & Son, with marked price of £130. In 1919 it was purchased for 3.50 marks.

4614*

Lucilla, wife of Lucius Verus, (m.A.D.164, d.A.D. 182), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.18 g), obv. draped bust to right, around LVCILLAE AVG ANTONINI AVG F, rev. in three lines within wreath, VOTA PVBLI CA, (S.5494, RIC 791, RSC 98). *Bright extremely fine and scarce.*

\$260

 Ex Noble Numimatics Sale 98 (lot 5363). Previously Freeman and Sear with ticket.



4615*

Lucilla, wife of Lucius Verus, (died A.D.182), AE sestertius, Rome mint, (22.68 g), issued 164-6, obv. draped bust to right of Lucilla with hair bound up behind head, around LVCILLA AVG ANTONINI AVG F, rev. DIANA LVCIFERA around, Diana standing to left, holding long torch in both hands, S C across, (S.5498, RIC 1734, BMC 1146, C.15). Attractive dark brown patina, very fine and scarce.

\$160

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 78A (lot 5166). Previously Hong Kong Coin Convention from Oslo Mynthandel, September 1996.



4616*

Commodus, as Caesar, (A.D. 177-192), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 175-6, (2.96 g), obv. bare head and bust of Commodus to right, around COMMODO CAES AVG FIL GERM SARM, rev. around PRINC IVVENT, Commodus standing left beside trophy, holding branch and spear, (S.5547, RIC 617, RSC 609b, BMC 649). *Lightly toned, nearly extremely fine/good very fine and very scarce.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 79 (lot 3634).



4617*

Commodus, (A.D. 177-192), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 189, (3.12 g), obv. laureate head of Commodus to right, around M COMM ANT P FEL AVG BRIT, rev. around OPTIME MAXIME, Jupiter naked standing facing, head to left, holding thunderbolt and spear, (cf.S.5664, RSC 387G). *Toned, good very fine, scarce.*

\$100

\$160

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen. 7 April 2006.



4618*

Clodius Albinus, (A.D. 195-197), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued 193-5, (2.98 g), obv. bare head of Clodius Albinus to right, around D CL SEPT AL BIN CAES, rev. around RO[MAE] AE TERNAE, Roma seated left, holding palladium and spear, (S.6146, RIC 11b, RSC 61a). *Large head type with a good portrait, very fine and rare.*

\$160

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 98 (lot 5370).



4619*

Septimius Severus, (A.D. 193-211), silver denarius, issued 199, Rome mint, (3.38 g), obv. laureate head to right of Septimius Severus, around L SEPT SEV AVG IMP XI PART MAX, rev. Jupiter advancing right brandishing thunderbolt, holding cloak over extended left arm, around IOVIS PROPUGNATORI, (S.6291, RIC 131, RSC 243). *Good very fine/fine.*

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, 7 April 2006.



Septimius Severus, (A.D. 193-211), silver denarius, issued 200, Rome mint, (3.47 g), obv. laureate head to right of Septimius Severus, around SEVERVS AVG PART MAX, rev. Victory hovering to left, holding open wreath with both hands over shield set on base, around PM TR P VIII COS II PP, (S.6333, RIC 150, RSC 454). *Lightly toned, extremely fine.*

Ex Salamanca Rare Coins, 10 December 2005.



4621*

Julia Domna, wife of Septimius Severus, (A.D. 193-217), silver antoninianus, issued 216, Rome mint, (4.90 g), obv. draped bust to right of Julia Domna, crescent behind shoulders, around IVLIA PIA FELIX AVG, rev. Venus enthroned to left, holding sceptre, around VENVS GENETRIX, (S.7098, RIC 388a [Caracalla] RSC 211). Large flan extremely fine/nearly extremely fine and very scarce.

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 79 (lot 3640).



4622*

Julia Domna, wife of Septimius Severus, (A.D. 193-217), silver denarius, issued 211-217, Rome mint, (3.12 g), obv. draped bust to right of Julia Domna, around IVLIA PIA FELIX AVG, rev. Venus seated to left, holding apple and sceptre, before her Cupid, around VENVS GENETRIX, (S.7107, RIC 389 [Caracalla], RSC 205). Lightly toned, extremely fine.

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, 6/August/2004.





Caracalla, (A.D. 198-217), silver antoninianus, issued 215, Rome mint, (4.90 g), obv. radiate bust draped and cuirassed to right of Caracalla, around ANTONINVS PIVS AVG GERM, rev. Sarapis standing facing head to left, holding sceptre and raising hand, around P M TR P XVIII COS IIII P P, (S.6772, RIC 263e, RSC 295b). *Extremely fine and very scarce.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 82 (lot 4131).

4624*

\$100

\$240

\$100

Caracalla, (A.D. 198-217), silver antoninianus, issued 217, Rome mint, (4.62 g), obv. radiate draped bust to right of Caracalla, around ANTONINVS PIVS AVG GERM, rev. Sol standing half right head reversed, holding whip in left hand and raising right hand, around P M TR P XX COS IIII P P, (S.6781, RIC 293f, RSC 390a). *Extremely fine/good very fine and very scarce.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 98 (lot 5384).

\$180

\$100



4625*

Caracalla, (A.D. 198-217), silver denarius, issued 216, Rome mint, (3.30 g), obv. radiate bust draped to right of Caracalla, around ANTONINVS PIVS AVG GERM, rev. Venus standing facing to left, holding sceptre and Victory, resting on shield, around VENVS VICTRIX, (S.6784, BMC 80, RIC 311d, RSC 608c). *Toned, good extremely fine.*

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, 28/April/2006.





Caracalla, (A.D. 198-217), silver antoninianus issued 216, Rome mint, (5.22 g), obv. radiate bust to right of Caracalla, draped around ANTONINVS PIVS AVG GERM, rev. Serapis standing left, holding sceptre and raising right hand, around P M TR P XVIIII COS IIII P P, (cf.S.6829, RIC 280d, RSC 349b). *Toned, extremely fine and scarce.*

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, 6/August/2004.

\$240



4627*

Caracalla, (A.D. 198-217), silver denarius, issued 213, Rome mint, (2.87 g), obv. laureate head to right of Caracalla, around ANTONINVS PIVS FEL AVG, rev. Hercules naked, standing half left, holding branch and club with lion skin, around P M TR P XVI COS IIII P P, (S.6828, RIC 206b, RSC 221). *Toned, nearly extremely fine.*

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, February 2003.



Caracalla, (A.D. 198-217), silver denarius, issued 208, Rome mint, (3.62 g), obv. laureate head to right of Caracalla, around ANTONINVS PIVS AVG, rev. Mars advancing to right, holding spear and shield, around PONTIF TR P XI COS III, (S.6867, RIC 100, RSC 447). Extremely fine and scarce.

\$120

Ex I.S. Wright, per David Allen, 7/June/2011. Previously Noble Numismatics Sale 95 (lot 5585).



4629*

Plautilla (wife of Caracalla), (c.A.D. 202-205), silver denarius, issued 202, Rome mint, (3.12 g), obv. draped bust of Plautilla to right, around PLAVTILLAE AVGVSTAE, rev. Caracalla and Plautilla holding hands, around CONCORDIAE AETERNAE, (S.7069, BMC 401-4, RIC 361, RSC 10). Extremely fine and scarce in this condition.

\$200

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 98 (lot 5397). Ex Marc Melcher Collection.

The Reka-Devnia hoard of 81,044 silver coins contained 507 coins of Plautilla and included 49 coins of this reverse



4630*

Plautilla (wife of Caracalla), (c.A.D. 202-205), silver denarius, issued 203, (3.03 g), obv. draped bust of Plautilla to right, around PLAVTILLA AVGVSTA, rev. Pietas standing to right holding a child, around PIETAS AVGG, (S.7072, RIC 367, RSC 16). Large flan well centred, extremely fine and scarce.

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 81 (lot 3511).

The Reka Devnia hoard of 81,044 silver coins contained 507 coins of Plautilla and 113 coins of this variety.



4631*

Plautilla (wife of Caracalla), (c.A.D. 202-205), silver denarius, issued 203, (2.00 g), obv. draped bust of Plautilla to right, around PLAVTILLA AVGVSTA, rev. Pietas standing to right holding a child, around PIETAS AVGG, (S.7072, RIC 367, RSC 16). Toned, good very fine.

\$100

\$120



4632*

Geta, (A.D.209-212), issued as Caesar 199-200, silver denarius, Laodicea mint, (3.72 g), obv. P SEPTIMIVS GETA CAES, bust draped to right, rev. around MARTI VICTORI, Mars advancing right, holding trophy and spear, (S.7179, RIC 103, RSC 76). Lightly toned, nearly extremely fine/very fine.

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 84 (lot 1846).



4633*

Geta, (A.D. 209-212), silver denarius, issued 199-200, Laodicea mint, (3.55 g), obv. laureate bust to right, around P SEPTIMIVS GETA CAES, rev. SEVERI PII AVG FIL, lituus, knife, jug, simpulum and sprinkler, (S.7201, RIC 107, RSC 189, BMC 754). Nearly extremely fine/good very fine, scarce.

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 79 (lot 3648).



4634*

Macrinus, (A.D. 217-218), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.42 g), issued A.D. 218, obv. bearded Macrinus laureate draped bust to right, around IMP C M OPEL SEV MACRINVS AVG. rev. Aequitas standing to left, holding cornucopiae and scales, around AEQVIT AS AVG, (S.7329, RIC 53, RSC 2b). Lightly toned, off centred obverse, otherwise extremely fine and rare.

\$160

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 105 (lot 4244).

In the Reka-Devnia hoard which contained 330 denarii of Macrinus only 22 were of this variety.



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Macrinus, (A.D. 217-218), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.08 g), issued A.D. 217, obv. bearded Macrinus laureate cuirassed bust to right, around IMP C M OPEL SEV MACRINVS AVG. rev. Felicitas standing half left holding caduceus and cornucopiae, around FELICITAS TEMPORVM, (S.7331, RIC 15a, RSC 59). Bright, extremely fine or better and rare.

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 105 (lot 4241).

Ex I.S.Wright, February 2003.

\$120



Macrinus, (A.D. 217-218), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.00 g), obv. bearded Macrinus laureate cuirassed bust to right, around IMP C M OPEL SEV MACRINVS AVG. rev. Jupiter standing to left, holding thunderbolt and sceptre, around IOVI CONSE[RVATORI, (S.7338, RIC 73, RSC 33b). *Toned, nearly extremely fine and rare.* \$280

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, 28/April/2006.



4637*

Diadumenian as Caesar, (A.D. 217-218), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 217-218, (4.11 g), obv. bare headed bust of Diadumenian draped to right, around M OPEL ANT DIADVMENIAN CAES, rev. around PRINC IVVENTVTIS Diadumenian standing holding standard in left and two standards in right hand, (S.7449, RIC 102, RSC 3). *Toned, extremely fine and rare.*

\$550

\$140



4638*

Elagabalus, (A.D. 218-222), silver antoninianus, Rome mint, issued A.D. 218, (4.63 g), obv. radiate bust of Elagabalus draped and cuirassed to right, around IMP CAES M AVR ANTO NINVS AVG, rev. around P M TR P COS P P, Roma seated to left, holding Victory and sceptre, (S.7493, RIC 1, RSC 126). *Light patina, extremely fine.*

Ex Salamanca Rare Coins, 16 August 2008.

Ex Status International Sale 242 (lot 8029).



4639*

Julia Paula, first wife of Elagabalus, (A.D. 219), silver denarius, (3.08 g), obv. draped bust of Julia Paula to right, around IVLIA PAVLA AVG, rev. Concordia seated to left on curule chair with patera and resting left arm on throne, around CONCORDIA AVGG, (S.7657, RIC 216, RSC. *16a*), *Toned, extremely fine and rare.*

Ex Strand Coins, 27 August 2009.

4640*

Julia Soaemias, mother of Elagabalus, (c.A.D.218-222), silver denarius, (3.48 g), Rome mint, issued 220-222, obv. draped bust to right, IVLIA SOAEMIAS AVG, rev. VENVS CAELESTIS, Venus standing to left, holding apple and sceptre, star in right field, (S.7719, RIC 241, RSC 8a, BMC 49). *Well struck, extremely fine and a beautiful example, scarce.*

\$500

\$100

\$400

Ex CNG Sale 85 (lot 962).



4641*

Julia Maesa, grandmother of Elagabalus, (c.A.D.218-225), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued 218-220, (3.61 g), obv. draped bust to right, IVLIA MAESA AVG, rev. FECVNDITAS AVG, Fecunditas standing to left, extending right hand over child at her feet and holding cornucopiae in left hand, (S.7749, BMC 61, RIC 249, RSC 8). *Extremely fine.* \$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 82 (lot 4142). Previously Baldwin's Auctions Sale 19, May 4, 1999, (lot 99 part).





Julia Maesa, grandmother of Elagabalus, (c.A.D.218-222), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued 218-220, (3.47 g), obv. draped bust to right, IVLIA MAESA AVG, rev. PVDICITIA, Pudicitia seated to left, drawing out veil from shoulder and holding a sceptre, (S.7756, RIC 268, RSC 36, BMC 76). *Toned, good very fine or better.*

Ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, 12 September 2007.





Severus Alexander, (A.D.222-235), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued A.D. 222-231, (21.25 g), obv. laureate bust of Severus Alexander to right draped and cuirassed, around IMP SEV ALEXANDER AVG, rev. around ANNONA AVGVSTI, S C across base, Annona standing to left holding corn ears over modius and cornucopiae, (S.8000, RIC 549). *Deep chocolate patina, good very fine or better and rare.*

Ex Status International Sale 242 (lot 8039).



Julia Mamaea, mother of Severus Alexander, (A.D.222-235), silver denarius, issued c.227, Rome mint, (2.93 g), obv. diademed and draped bust to right of Julia Mamaea, IVLIA MA MAEA AVG around, rev. VESTA, Vesta standing half-left holding patera and sceptre, (S.8218, RIC 362, RSC 85); AE sestertius, Rome mint, (18.19 g), obv. draped bust to right of Julia Mamaea, IVLIA MAMA A AVGVSTA, rev. IVNO AVGVSTAE around, S C in exergue, Juno seated to left, holding flower and child, (S.8230, RIC 683, C.33). *First coin extremely fine, second toned, very fine.* (2)

\$160

First coin ex Status International Sale 242 (lot 8040). Second coin ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, February 2003.



4645*

Maximinus I, (A.D. 235-238), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued 235-6. (21.03 g), obv. laureate bust draped and cuirassed of Maximinus I to right, around MAXIMINVS PIVS AVG GERM, rev. Fides standing to left, holding two standards, around FIDES MILITVM, S C across, (S.8327, RIC 78). *Deep brown patina, nearly extremely fine.*

\$350

Ex Status International Sale 282 (lot 5634).



4646*

Maximinus I, (A.D. 235-238), AE sestertius, Rome mint, (19.79 g), obv. laureate bust of Maximinus to right, around IMP MAXIMINVS PIVS AVG, rev. around PROVIDENTIA AVG, Providentia standing to left, with globe at feet, S C across field, (S.8337, RIC 61, C.80). *Deep red brown patina, extremely fine with a strong portrait, scarce.*

\$400



4647*

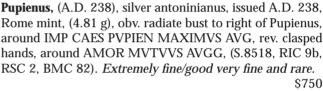
Balbinus, (A.D. 238), silver antoninianus, Rome mint, issued A.D. 238, (4.96 g), obv. radiate bust of Balbinus to right, around IMP CAES D CAEL BALBINVS AVG, rev. clasped hands, around CONCORDIA, (S.8484, RIC 10, RSC 3, BMC 67). *Toned, extremely fine with trace of mint bloom, rare.*

\$800

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 105 (lot 4264). Previously Classical Numismatic Group Auction XXXIII, March 15, 1995 (lot 929) with ticket.







Ex Noble Numismatics private sale, 1 April 2014.





Pupienus, (A.D. 238), silver denarius, issued A.D. 238, (3.07 g), Rome mint, obv. laureate bust to right of Pupienus, around IMP C M CLOD PVPIENVS AVG, rev. Pax seated to left, holding olive branch and sceptre, around PAX PVBLICA, (S.8526, RIC 4, RSC 22). *Toned, nearly extremely fine and rare.*

\$750

Ex Noble Numismatics private sale, 1 April 2014. Previously collection of Barry Allen Jones with ticket from M.R.Roberts.



Gordian III, (A.D. 238-244), silver antoninianus, Rome mint, issued 241-243, (4.28 g), obv. radiate bust of Gordian III to right, around IMP GORDIANVS PIVS FEL AVG, rev. Laetitia standing to left, holding wreath and anchor, around LAETITIA AVG N, (S.8617, RIC 86, RSC 121); Philip I, (A.D. 244-249), silver antoninianius, Rome mint, (3.95 g), obv. radiate bust to right, around IMP M IVL PHILIPPVS AVG, rev. Fides standing left, holding two standards, around FIDES MILIT, (S.8932, RIC 32b, RSC 55). *Extremely fine/good very fine.* (2)

\$120

First coin ex I.S. Wright, per David Allen, 21 July 2006. Second coin ex Noble Numismatics Sale 81 (lot 3524).



4651*

Philip I, (A.D. 244-249), AE sestertius, Rome mint, (18.61 g), issued 248, obv. laureate draped and cuirassed bust to right, around IMP M IVL PHILIPPVS AVG, rev. She-wolf standing to left suckling Romulus and Remus, around SAECVLARES AVGG, S C in exergue, (S.9011, RIC 159, C.179). *Bottle green patina, good very fine and scarce.*

\$240

 Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 87 (lot 4355). Previously Harlan Berk in 2001.



4652*

Philip I, (A.D. 244-249), AE sestertius, Rome mint, issued 249, (19.79 g), obv. laureate bust to right, around IMP M IVL PHILIPPVS AVG, rev. Annona standing to left holding corn ears and cornucopiae, modius at feet, around ANNONA AVGG, S C across, (S.8990, RIC 168a, C.26). Brown black patina, slightly rough surface, otherwise nearly extremely fine/good very fine.

\$100

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 78A (lot 5189). Previously Manfred Wilschke, January 1991.



4653*

Otacilia Severa, (wife of Philip I), (A.D. 244-249), silver antoninianus, Rome mint, (4.21 g), issued 245-247, obv. diademed draped bust to right on crescent, around M OTACIL SEVERA AVG, rev. Concordia seated left, holding double cornucopiae and patera, around CONCORDIA AVGG, (S.9149, RIC 126, RSC 17). *Struck on a broad flan, nearly extremely fine.*

\$100

\$160





Otacilia Severa, (wife of Philip I), (A.D. 244-249), AE sestertius, Rome mint, (20.84 g), obv. diademed draped bust with large head to right, around MARCIA OTACIL S[EVER]A AVG, rev. Pudicitia seated left holding sceptre, around PVDICITIA AVG, SC in exergue, (S.9169, RIC 209a, C.55). *Dark tone, good very fine.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 78A (lot 5191).



4655*

Trajan Decius, (A.D. 249-251), AE double sestertius, issued 250, Rome mint, (28.91 g), obv. radiate cuirassed bust to right, [IMP C M] Q TRAIANVS DECIVS AVG, rev. Felicitas standing to left holding long caduceus and cornucopia, FELIC[ITAS SAECV]LI around, S C across field, (cf.S.9395, RIC 115a, C.39). *Deep chocolate patina with a strong portrait, nearly extremely fine and a rare denomination.*

\$1,500

Ex Status International Sale 242 (lot 8051).



Trajan Decius, (A.D. 249-251), silver antoninianus, Rome mint, issued 250-1, (3.55 g), obv. radiate draped bust to right, around IMP C M Q TRAIANVS DECIVS AVG, rev. Abundantia to left, emptying cornucopiae with both hands, around ABVNDATIA AVG, (S.9364, RIC 10b, RSC 2); Postumus, (A.D. 259-268), base silver antoninianus, Cologne mint, (2.73 g), issued 260-265, obv. radiate bust of Postumus to right, around IMP C POSTVMVS P F AVG, rev. Moneta standing left, with scales and cornucopiae, around MONETA AVG, (S.10962, RIC 75, RSC 199). *Good very fine/extremely fine.* (2)

\$120

Both ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, 21 July 2006 and 4 March 2010.



4657*

Herennia Etruscilla, (wife of Trajan Decius), (A.D. 249-251), silver antoninianus, Rome mint, issued 250, (4.21 g), obv. diademed draped bust to right on crescent, around HER ETRVSCILLA AVG, rev. Pudicitia standing to left drawing veil from face holding transverse sceptre, around PVDICITIA AVG, (S.9494, RIC 58b, RSC 17). *Bright, extremely fine or better with traces of mint bloom.*

Ex Status International Sale 242 (lot 8052).

\$140



4658*

Herennia Etruscilla, (wife of Trajan Decius), (A.D. 249-251), silver antoninianus, Rome mint, issued 250, (3.88 g), obv. diademed draped bust to right on crescent, around HER ETRVSCILLA AVG, rev. Pudicitia seated to left drawing veil from face holding transverse sceptre, around PVDICITIA AVG, (S.9495, RIC 59b, RSC 19); Valerian I, (A.D. 253-260), silver antoninianus, Rome mint, (3.76 g), obv. radiate cuirassed bust right, around VALERIANUS PF AVG, rev. ORIENS AVGG around, Sol radiate, standing left raising right hand, whip in left hand, (S.9952, RIC 12). *Extremely fine.* (2)

\$150

\$180

First coin ex Noble Numismatics Sale 82 (lot 4169). Second ex Status International Sale 282 (lot 5646).



4659*

Severina, wife of Aurelian, (A.D. 270-275), billon antoninianus, (issued 275), Rome mint, (3.21 g), obv. diademed bust to right of Severina on crescent, around, SEVERINA AVG, rev. CONCORDIA MILITVM around Concordia Militum standing left holding two standards, R in left field, S in right field, in exergue XXI, (cf.S.11706, RIC 20). *Full silvering, virtually as struck.*

Ex Status International Sale 242 (lot 8056).



4660*

Probus, (A.D. 276-282), silver antoninianus, Rome mint (4.44 g), obv. radiate cuirassed bust to right of Probus, around PROB PF AVG, rev. Mars in military attire advancing left, holding olive branch and shield, around MARTI PACIF, RQ n exergue S, (S.12821, RIC 177); Diocletian, (A.D. 284-305), AE follis, Ticinum mint, issued A.D. 300, (9.20 g), obv. laureate head of Diocletian to right, around IMP C DIOCLETIANVS P F AVG, rev. around SACRA MONET AVGG ET CAESS NOSTR, Moneta standing to left, holding scales and cornucopiae, PT in exergue, (S.12821, RIC 45a). *Extremely fine/nearly extremely fine.* (2)

\$160

First coin private gift 2005. Second ex Status International Sale 282 (lot 5654).



Diocletian, (A.D. 284-305), silver argenteus, Thessalonica mint, issued A.D. c.295-7 (3.05 g), obv. laureate head of Diocletian to right, around DIOCLETI ANVS AVG, rev. around VIRTVS MILITVM, camp gate surmounted by three turrets and with open door,T.S.A., in exergue, (cf. S.12619, RIC 15a, RSC 520d). *Flan flaw in reverse exergue with slightly crystalline edge, otherwise nearly extremely fine/very fine and rare.* S380

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 78A (lot 5207).



4662*

Diocletian, (A.D. 284-305), silver argenteus, Treveri (Trier) mint, 4th emission, issued 295 (3.51 g), obv. laureate and cuirassed bust of Diocletian to right, around DIOCLETI ANVS AVG, rev. around VIRTVS MILITVM, the four tetrarchs sacrificing over tripod before gate with six turrets, club beneath, (cf.S.12617, RIC 123a). *Lustrous extremely fine, a superb example.*

Ex CNG Sale 87 (lot 1125).



4663*

Maximianus, (A.D. 286-305), silver argenteus, Trier mint, issued A.D. c.295-7 (3.05 g), obv. laureate head of Maximianus to right, around MAXIMIA NVS AVG, rev. around VIRTVS MILITVM, A in exergue, the four princes or tetrarchs sacrificing over tripod before gate with six turrents and open door, C in exergue, (cf.S.13098, RIC 109b, RSC 622b). *Lightly toned, extremely fine and rare.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 98 (lot 5482).



4664*

Maximianus, (A.D. 286-305), AE folles, London mint, issued 300, (9.58 g), obv. laureate and cuirassed bust of Maximianus to right, around IMP C MAXIMIANVS P F AVG, rev. GENIO POPVLI ROM, Genius wearing modius standing to left, holding patera and cornucopiae, (cf.S.13237, RIC 17). *Deeply toned, virtually as struck.*

Ex Status International Sale 262 (lot 7904).

4665*

Maximianus, (A.D. 286-305), AE follis, Siscia mint, issued A.D. 301, (9.59 g), obv. laureate head of Maximianus to right, around IMP MAXIMIANVS P F AVG, rev. around SACRA MONET AVGG ET CAESS NOSTR, Moneta standing to left, holding scales and cornucopiae, SIS in exergue, * in left field, A in right field, (S.13302, RIC 134b); Constantius I, (A.D. 293-305), AE folles as Caesar, Nicomedia mint, issued 294-5, obv. laureate head of Constantius r, around FL VAL CONSTANTIVS NOB CAES, rev. Genius standing left, in exergue SMN, (S.14062, RIC 28a). Attractive brown patina, nearly extremely fine/extremely fine. (2)

\$150

First coin ex Noble Numismatics Sale 77 (lot 3795). Second ex I.S.Wright, per David Allen, 17 October 2011.





\$800

\$750

Galerius, as Caesar, (A.D. 293-305), billon folles, London mint, issued c.303, (9.84 g), obv. laureate cuirassed bust of Galerius right, around MAXIMIANVS NOB CAES, rev. GENIO POPVLI ROMANI, Genius standing left, wearing modius and holding cornucopiae, (S.14344, RIC 34). *Deep even toning, good extremely fine.*

Ex Status International Sale 282 (lot 7906).





Constantius I, as Caesar, (A.D. 293-305), AE folles, London mint, issued c.300, (9.38 g), obv. laureate cuirassed bust of Constantius right, around FL VAL CONSTANTIVS NOB C, rev. GENIO POPVLI ROMANI, Genius standing left, wearing modius, holding patera and cornucopiae (S.14034, RIC 98). *Toned, extremely fine and scarce.*

Ex Status International Sale 282 (lot 7905).

\$160



Constantius I, posthumous issue, (A.D. 305-306), AE folles, issued 307-310, London mint, (6.95 g), obv. veiled and laureate draped bust to right of Constantius I, around DIVO CONSTANTIO PIO, rev. MEMORIA FELIX, in exergue PLN, lighted and garlanded altar with an eagle on each side, (S.16419, RIC 110, RIC 789). *Attractive dark grey patina, extremely fine and rare.*

\$280

Ex Status International Sale 242 (lot 8057).



4669*

Galerius Maximian, as Caesar, (A.D. 305-311), AE folles, Ticinum mint, issued A.D. 296-7, (10.32 g), obv. MAXIMIANVS NOB CAES, laureate head to right, rev. GENIO POPV LI ROMANI, Genius standing left with patera and cornucopia, PT. in exergue, * in left field, (S.14358, RIC 32b). *Brown patina, extremely fine.*

\$100

 Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 94 (lot 4947). Previously Henry Chitwood Collection.



4670*

Constantine I, (A.D. 307-337), AE folles, issued mid 310 - 312, London mint, (4.19 g), obv. laureate cuirassed bust to right of Constantine I, around CONSTANTINVS P AVG, rev. Sol standing to left holding globe and whip, around COMITI AVGG NN, PLN in exergue, star to right of Sol as above, (S.15876, RIC 169). *Dark brown patina, superb extremely fine and scarce, about as struck.*

\$160

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 88 (lot 3561).



4671*

Constantine I, (A.D. 307-337), AE follis, issued 334-335, Siscia mint, (2.77 g), obv. laureate bust to right, cuirassed of Constantine I, around CONSTANTI NVS MAX AVG, rev. two soldiers each with spear and one standard, around GLOR IA EXERC ITVS, in exergue .ASIS., (S.-, RIC 235); another similar Constantius II, (A.D. 337-361) as Caesar, Siscia mint, (2.44 g), obv. draped and cuirassed bust of Constantius II to right, FL IVL CONSTANTIVS NOB C around, rev. as above, exergue .FSIS., (S.-, RIC 237 [R1]); another Constantius II, as Caesar, AE folles, Arles mint, (2.93 g), obv. laureate bust left, around FL IVL CONSTANTIVS NOB C, rev. PROVIDEN TIAE CAESS, S F either side of campgate, ARLQ in exergue, (S.-, RIC 312). *Extremely fine, the second rare.* (3)

\$220

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 87 (lot 4786) and Sale 88 (lot 3565)

ELECTROTYPES & COPIES



4672*

Italy, Lucania, Herakleia, electrotype copy of nomos type (c.350 B.C.), (8.24 g), obv. Head of Athena facing threequarters right wearing triple crested helmet, rev. Herakles standing facing, upper torso turned right, wrestling with the Nemean lion, club and bow to left, (cf.S.390, Van Keuren 21, SNG ANS -, Work 22). *Extremely fine copy probably by Ready*.

\$100

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 84 (lot 2386 part).

See note on Ready.



Italy, Lucania, Thourioi, electrotype copy of distater type (c.350 B.C.), (17.13 g), obv. Head of Athena to right wearing crested Athenian helmet, ornamented with Skylla, rev. bull butting to right, Θ 0YPI Ω N above, tunny fish to right in exergue, (cf.S.440, cf.Noe F38 (NN&M 71). *Extremely fine copy probably by Ready.*

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 84 (lot 2386 part).

See note on Ready.



4674*

Italy, Lucania, Velia, electrotype copy of nomos or stater type (c.300 B.C.), (5.64 g), obv. head of Athena to left, wearing Attic helmet, ornamented with centaur, Θ behind, rev. lion walking to right, YEAHT Ω N in exergue, Φ above lion, (cf. S.454, cf.Williams 263). *Good very fine, copy, probably by Ready.*

\$100

\$100



4675*

See note on Ready

Bruttium, Terina, electrotype copy of silver nomos of type (c.425-420 B.C.), (7.50 g), obv. female head to right, wreath around, rev. Nike seated right on hydria, holding kerykeion, bird behind, (S.-, Holloway & Jenkins 36 (this piece as the copy), HN Italy 2589). *Very fine, toned.*

\$100

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, October 12, 2006.

Ex Strand Coins, Sydney, September 12, 2008.

The edge has the letter R (Ready) into edge. Robert Cooper Ready and his sons made tens of thousands of electrotype copies of coins, medals and seals in the British Museum's collection between 1859 and 1931. Robert Cooper Ready (1811-1901), a modeler and sealmaker, was hired by the British Museum in 1859 to make copies of its coins, medals and seals, using the new technique of electrotyping. Ready made over 22,000 electrotypes and trained his sons to continue the tradition into the twentieth century. The Readys made copies for research and display purposes and with the permission of the British Museum these were sold to museums and collectors around the world. In the early 1920s the British Museum advertised the price as 2s. 6d. each.





Sicily, Akragas, electrotype copy of the decadrachm type by Becker (c.409-406 B.C.), (31.45 g), obv. charioteer driving fast quadriga to left, above, eagle flying left, legend across, rev. two eagles standing left on dead hare lying on rock, one eagle raising its head, the other tearing at hare with beak and raising wings, grasshopper to right, stamped BECKER on edge, (cf.S.749, cf.Hill, Becker 15). *Good very fine by Becker*.

\$100

Ex Walter Holt, November 28, 2008.

Carl Wilhelm Becker (1772-1830) was one of the most prolific and accomplished counterfeiters of the 19th century. As early as 1806 he was engaged in the practice of manufacturing false coins. Becker's death in April 1830 left his family with little money and a quantity of forged coin dies. From these dies, sets of coins were struck in a lead-tin alloy (actually a poor quality pewter) and sold to collectors and institutions. At some point Becker's family sold the dies to the Saalfeld Museum, from whence they finally were given to the Kaiser-Friedrich Museum in Berlin in 1911. Electrotype copies have been produced with Becker's name on the edge in more recent times as is this example





Sicily, Akragas, copy of tetradrachm type (c.414-411 B.C.), (13.49 g), obv. two eagles perching right on the body of a dead hare, the nearer, with closed wings, raises his head and screams in triumph, the further, with spread wings, bends his head down to tear at the prey, rev. crab with open claws seen from above, below, the monster Skylla swimming to left, her right hand raised to shade her eyes (the so-called aposkopein gesture) and her left trailing behind her, at her waist, between her human torso and her fish tail, the foreparts of two hunting dogs, (cf.S.748, Basel 258 = Kraay / Hirmer 175, Gulbenkian 166, Jameson 509. Toned, extremely fine. Rizzo pl. I, 20 (same dies). SNG Lloyd 821 (same dies, and with similar flan faults). *Extremely fine, copy, probably by Ready.*

\$100

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 84 (lot 2386 part).

See note above on Ready.



Sicily, Katane (Catana), electrotype copy of the tetradrachm type by Becker (c.413-404 B.C.), (17.76 g), obv. laureate head of Apollo facing, inclined slightly to left, his hair in curls fanning out around his head. rev. fast quadriga right, Nike (Victory) to left descending to crown charioteer, in exergue, crayfish to right, edge stamped BECKER and BMC 32 on edge, (cf.S.749, cf.Hill, Becker 15). *Good very fine copy by Becker*.

\$100

Ex Walter Holt, November 28, 2008. See note above on Becker forgeries.



4679*

Sicily, Naxos, electrotype copy of the tetradrachm type by Becker (c.430-413 B.C.), (14.63 g), obv. bearded head of Dionysos right, wearing tainia decorated with an ivy branch, rev. Silenos, nude and bearded, squatting half-left, holding up kantharos in right hand and resting his left hand on his knee, tail behind, large ivy vine with grape bunches to left, NAXION TO right, inscribed BECKER BMC 18 on edge, (cf.S.875, cf.BMC 19, Becker 21). *Good very fine copy by Becker*.

\$100

Ex Walter Holt, November 28, 2008. See note above on Becker forgeries.



4680*

Sicily, Syracuse, electrotype copy of the tetradrachm by Euainetos probably produced by Becker (c.405-400 B.C.), (29.52 g), obv. charioteer driving fast quadriga left, Nike flying above holding fillet, armour and helmet on steps in exergue, rev. head of Artemis-Arethusa to left, surrounded by four dolphins, above $\Sigma YPAKO\Sigma I\Omega N$, shell to right, no head band, marked COPY on edge, (cf.S.953, cf.Gallatin dies VIII/FIV, Becker 26). *Extremely fine copy by Becker.*

\$100

Ex Walter Holt, November 28, 2008. See note above on Becker forgeries.



4681*

Sicily, Syracuse, electrotype copy of the tetradrachm by Kimon type probably produced by Becker (c.405-400 B.C.), (29.64 g), obv. charioteer driving fast quadriga left, Nike flying above holding fillet, armour and helmet on steps in exergue, rev. head of Artemis-Arethusa to left, surrounded by four dolphins, above Σ YPAKO Σ I Ω N, plain on head band, (cf.S.952, cf.Jongkees dies C/ μ , Becker 25). *Good very fine copy by Becker*.

\$100

Ex Walter Holt, November 28, 2008. See note above on Becker forgeries.



^{4682*}

Thrace, Kingdom of, Lysimachos, (323-281 B.C.), electroplated copy of the silver tetradrachm, (17.08 g), Pergamon mint, style of that issued c.287 B.C., obv. head of Alexander to right, with diadem and horn of Ammon, within dotted border, K under bust, rev. Athena enthroned to left, supporting Nike, to inner left a cult statue, to far left N, crescent in exergue, to right BAΣIΛEΩΣ to left Λ YΣIMAXOY, (cf.S.6814, Thompson 225, Arnold-Biucchi 63 [dies of obv.12, rev.61, obverse die illustrated on Pl.4 [error on plates]). *Copy of the British Museum example, possibly by Ready.*

\$100

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 88 (lot 3469 part). See note above on Ready.

4683

Thrace, Kingdom of, Lysimachos, (323-281 B.C.), cast copies of the silver drachms from the same mould, (6.78, 6.14 g), obv. head of Alexander to right, with diadem and horn of Ammon, within dotted border, K under bust, rev. Athena enthroned to left, supporting Nike, to inner left a torch, two monograms in the exergue, to right BAΣIΛEΩΣ to left Λ YΣIMAXOY, (cf.S.6817). Both cast copies good very fine - extremely fine, some surface roughness. (2)

\$100

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 88 (lot 3527 part) for the first coin, and I.S. Wright, Sydney, May 3, 2013 for the second coin.



Macedon, Amphipolis, modern copy of silver tetradrachm, of type 364/3 B.C., (13.25 g), obv. laureate head of Apollo facing slightly right, rev. torch, A to lower right, within linear square inscribed with ethnic, all within in incuse square, (cf. S.1379, cf.Lorber type G, 18b [O11/R15, Pl.XXI] as a copy of the BMC 1, forgery illustrated as F24 p.142, Pl.XXVII, with reverse double struck). A good forgery by Christodoulos cast from Lorber 18b, as a copy of one of the most significant ancient Greek coins, good very fine.

\$100



4685*

Locri Opuntii and Epiknemidia, (369-338 B.C.), copy of a silver stater, (11.15 g), obv. head of Persephone to right, wreath with corn, wearing ear-ring, rev. Ajax son of Oileus, naked but for helmet, advancing to right, holding sword and large shield, broken spear on ground, around OIION TI Ω N, (cf.S.2326, cf.BMC 27, cf.BCD 93 [NAC Sale 55], cf.Gulbenkian 498). *Smoothed on edge of reverse, a good modern copy, original type rare.* \$150

Ex Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, September 12, 2003. A modern copy by uncertain forger.

Ex Walter Holt, November 27, 2012.



Elis, Olympia, stater, electrotype copy by Ready of type (c. mid 430's), (10.22 g), obv. Zeus nude to waist seated left, rev. eagle flying left in incuse square, F A Λ around reversed, R stamped on edge, (Seltman 101a [Pl.III original illustrated of this electrotype in BM colln], BCD 44, cf.Weber 4023), with countermark of Apollo head; another modern copy of type c.471-452 B.C., (12.20 g), obv. eagle flying to right, with snake in beak, rev. Nike descending to left, with open wings and flowing gown, holding wreath, to left F reversed, (Seltman 78, Kraay & Hirmer 494). Both copies very fine - extremely fine, first a copy by Ready, second modern tourist copy. (2)

\$120

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 88 (lot 3469 part) for first coin and I.S. Wright, Sydney, January 22, 2014, for second coin.





Cilicia, Tarsos, Ready electrotype of a Mazaios, Satrap, of type issued (361-334 B.C.), silver stater (9.50 g), obv. 'BLTRZ' in Aramaic, Baaltars seated left on throne, holding sceptre in right hand, grain ear and grape bunch in left, symbol below throne, rev. 'MZDI', lion bringing down stag left, R impressed into edge, (SNG France France var. [ankh symbol], SNG Levante -, SNG von Aulock 5954 var). *Toned, near extremely fine, a Ready 19th-20th century electrotype.*

\$100

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 88 (lot 3469 part). See note above on Ready produced electrotypes.



lot 4686



4688*

Syria, Kingdom of, Antiochus VI, modern gold forgery of a silver drachm, (8.25 g), obv. diademed radiate head of Antiochus VI to right, filleted border, rev. Apollo seated to left on omphalos, holding bow and arrow, to right $BA\Sigma IAE\Omega\Sigma$ ANTIOXOY, and to left EΠΙΦΑΝΟΥΣ [Δ]ΙΟΝΥΣΟΥ, plain in exergue, A between legs, (cf.S.7073), modern forgery from the same dies as on Houghton ACNAC 4, 237, Forgery Network [7.41 g]. *Extremely fine and a dangerous forgery of an unknown coin type.*

\$500

Ex I.S. Wright, Sydney, Status Auction Sale 287, May 24, 2012 (lot 5427).



Claudius, (A.D. 41-54), Paduan cast medal, after Giovanni Cavino, (21.69, 21.70 g), obv. laureate head of emperor Claudius to right, around TI CLAVDIVS CAESAR AVG P M T P IMP P P, rev. Spes standing left, extending hand to emperor between two soldiers, in exergue S C, around SPES AVGVSTA, (Lawrence 15, Klawans 4). *Of good style, very fine, scarce.* (2)

\$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 81 (lot 3562).

This and several other lots in this sale come from a small collection of medals, some copied from genuine coins by Giovanni Cavino (The Paduan) an Italian medallist, contemporary with Benevenuto Cellini, who was born at Padua in 1499 or 1500. Little is known of his life and his medals were probably made at Padua where he resided until his death in 1570. He was aided by his son Vincenzo who probably continued to use his dies after his death. He is best known for his numerous imitations of Roman large-brass coins and medallions which are known as "Paduans". One hundred and twenty two of his dies are preserved at the Bibliotheque Nationale in Paris. However the great majority of the number of medals that survive today and called "Paduans" are cast from moulds from these original die struck medals. Some of the examples described below are so good that they are barely distinguishable from genuine ancient sestertii that were used as the models for these medals. All of Cavinos original strikings are very rare, the cast medallic issues are relatively common.



4690*

Nero, (A.D. 54-68), Paduan cast medal, after Giovanni Cavino, (24.17 g), obv. laureate head of emperor Nero to right, around NERO CLAVD CAESAR AVG G ERM P M TR P IMP P P, rev. Emperor standing left, addressing three soldiers with spears and standard all within a building, below in exergue ADLOCVT COH, S C across, (cf.Lawrence 19, cf.Klawans 10, [p.48-49]). Of good style, good very fine, a rare reverse, type not recorded in major literature.

\$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 81 (lot 3563). See note above on Paduan cast medals.



4691*

Otho, (A.D. 69), Paduan cast medal, after Giovanni Cavino, (20.3 g), obv. bare head of emperor Otho to left, IMP OTHO CAESAR AVG TRI POT, rev. Emperor before altar, extending right hand to one of the four soldiers facing him who carry standards, in exergue S C, around SECVRI TAS P R, (Lawrence 23, Klawans 3, [p.54]). *Of good style, good very fine.*

\$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 81 (lot 3564).

See note above on Paduan cast medals. No sestertii were struck during the reign of Otho. The reverse was copied from a denarius of Otho by Cavino.



4692*

Vespasian, (A.D. 69-79), cast of sestertius, (22.61 g), obv. laureate head of emperor Vespasian to right, around IMP CAES VESPASIAN AVG P M TR P COS III, rev. Judaea in mourning seated to right, beside palm tree, Vespasian standing right holding spear and parazonium, in exergue S C, around IVDAEA CAPTA, (cf.RIC 427, cf.Lawrence 30, cf.Klawans 1-2, [p.61-62]). *This example is more likely to be a modern cast from a genuine example, good very fine.* \$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 81 (lot 3565).





Julia Titi, daughter of Titus and wife of Domitian, (c.A.D. 90), copy of silver denarius, of original type issued 79-80, (3.52 g), obv. IVLIA AVGVSTA TITI AVGVSTI F, draped bust to right, rev. VENVS AVGVST, Venus viewed from behind standing right, leaning on column, holding helmet and spear, (S.2612, RIC T56, RSC 14). *Good very fine.*

\$100

Ex Sydney trade.

A copy from the same dies as illustrated p.35 'Modern Forgeries of Greek and Roman Coins', Sofia 1997.



Nerva, (A.D. 96-98), Paduan cast medal, after Giovanni Cavino, (23.48 g), obv. laureate head of emperor Nerva to right, IMP NERVA CAES AVG P M TR P COS II P P, rev. Nerva seated on high platform to right, with additional figures around and on steps, in exergue S C, around CONGIAR P R, (Lawrence 44, Klawans 1, [p.73-74, illustrated example from same mould as this piece]). *Of good style, extremely fine.* \$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Auction Sale 81 (lot 3567). See note above on Paduan cast medals.



4695*

Lucius Verus, (A.D. 161-169), imitative cast medal after original medallion, (45.80 g), obv. laureate bust of emperor to right, rev. Emperor on horse to right, spearing soldier, other soldiers behind, in exergue ARMENIA, around TR P VIII IMP IIII COS III, (cf.Gnecchi 6 [P.45], Pl.72,5). Of good style, nearly very fine. \$150

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 81 (lot 3569).



4697*

Caracalla, (A.D. 198-217), fine copy of a gold aureus, probably European, after the issue of 203, Rome mint, (7.38 g), obv. laureate bust right, draped and cuirassed, around ANTONINVS PIVS AVG, rev. Dea Caelestis facing right, riding lion to right, holding sceptre and thunderbolt, below water running, around INDULGENTIA AVG, IN CARTH in exergue, (S.6702, cf.RIC 131b). *Very fine or better, an interesting example for research.* \$500

Ex Status International Sale 287 (lot 5497).





Severus Alexander, (A.D. 222-235), imitative cast medal after original medallion, (35.96 g), obv. laureate bust of emperor to right, legend around, rev. Emperor presenting globe to Jupiter seated to left, soldiers behind, around PERPE TVITAS IMP AVG, (Gnecchi 10 [P.80], Pl.98,10). A cast of the illustrated Gnecchi example, very fine.

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 81 (lot 3571).

\$100



4696*

Didius Julianus, (A.D. 193), imitative cast medal after original medallion by Giovanni Cavino (44.7 g), obv. laureate bust of emperor draped and cuirassed to right, around IMP CAESAR M DID SEVERVS IVLIAN AVG P P, rev. COS II over SC in exergue, quadriga to left, horses in high action, above Victory flying to right, crowning the charioteer, (Lawrence 67, Klawans 2 [p.99]). *Nearly extremely fine and rare.*

\$240

Ex Noble Numismatics Sale 81 (lot 3570).

THE DR ADRIAN CARR COLLECTION OF ROMAN IMPERATORIAL COINS INCLUDING PROVINCIAL ISSUES



4699*

Spain, Roman Hispania, Lepida-Celsa, Pseudo-automonous issue of P. Salpa and M. Fulvius (duoviri), (c.44-36 B.C.), AE 29, (15.08 g), obv. helmeted head of Mars to right, before, COL VIC IVL LEP, rev. running bull to right, around, P SALPA M FVLVI, PR II VIR, (S.-, RPC 264, SNG Stockholm 1624-1630, SNG Cop.536, ACIP 1495). *Good fine with attractive brown patina, rare.*

\$200

Purchased from CNG Electronic Auction Sale 188, May 28, 2008 (lot 136).

Struck at Victrix Iulia Lepida in Spain. This city attained colonial status at some point during Lepidus' tenure as governor of Spain (48-47 & 44-42) and it was named after him. After the Triumvir's fall (36 B.C.), the city changed its name to Celsa.

4701*

Spain, Calagurris, Augustus, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), AE as 28mm, (12.19 g), issues of M. Lic. Capel and C. Ful. Rutil, duoviri, struck after 2 B.C., obv. laureate head to right, around IMP AVGVSTVS PATER PATRIAE, with countermark eagle head, rev. bull standing right, above M LIC CAPEL, M C I to left, II VIR to right and C FVL RVTI, some letters ligated, (S.-, RPC I 444, SNG Cop. 582, MH). *Near very fine, green patination surfaces a little rough.* \$100

Purchased from Costa Coins in Spain 2002.

The countermark of the eagle head on the obverse is noted in RPC on several examples. The countermark also appears on several other cities listed in RPC Index 7 [p.809].



4702*

Spain, uncertain mint, (mid to late 1st century B.C.), AE 22mm (8.53 g), issued by Cn. Stati(lius) Libo, prefect, struck circa 43-36 B.C. or later, obv. bare head of Libo right, around [CN STATI] LIBO PRAEF, rev. praefericulum and patera set on ground line, SACERDOS in exergue, (S.-, RPC 483, SNG Cop.471-2). *Nearly very fine, light overall roughness, scarce.*

\$200

Purchased from V Coins, Den of Antiquity in 2008.



4700*

Spain, Roman Hispania, Lepida-Celsa, Pseudo-automonous issue of P. Salpa and M. Fulvius (duoviri), (c.44-36 B.C.), AE 29, (14.35 g), obv. helmeted head of Mars to right, before, COL VIC IVL LEP, rev. running bull to right, around, P SALPA M FVLVI, PR II VIR, (S.-, RPC 264, SNG Stockholm 1624-1630, SNG Cop.536, ACIP 1495). *Nearly fine with dark brown patina, rare.*

\$100

Ex. Purchased from Harlan J. Berk in 2006, with ticket (\$200). See note above.







4703*

Macedon, Thessalonica, Divus Julius Caesar and Octavian, (28-27 B.C.), AE 25, (11.12 g), obv. wreathed head of Julius Caesar right, countermarked ligate NK in circle, around $\Theta EO\Sigma$, rev. bare head of Octavian to right, Δ below, around $\Theta E\Sigma\Sigma A$ [ΛON]IKE ΩN , (S.-, Sear Imperators 675, Touratsoglou, Thessaloniki, Em. 1, 27, RPC I 1554, BMC (Macedonia)58 [p.115], SNG ANS 824, for c/m see Howgego 625). *Fine, countermark very fine, slightly off centred, rare.*

\$150

Purchased from Guy Clark in 2006.

The Δ has been interpreted as either a denomination mark (four assaria) or, more likely, a date ie. a year four of the Actian era (28-27 B.C.). The ligate NK monogram has been generally accepted as a reference to Nero (Nerow Kausar). This is problematic considering that Thessalonica had abundant coinages issued under Claudius and Nero, such that countermarking these quite older coins would be unlikely. Touratsoglou (p.105) follows Kraay's suggestion that the NK is an abbreviation for Nike, and was applied to the coins during celebrations of the city's 50th anniversary of its grant of liberty by the Romans. All but two of the known specimens of this countermarks is nearly identical to that of the coins, suggesting that the countermarks is nearly identical to that of the coins, suggesting that the countermarks is nearly identical to that of the coins entered circulation.



Macedon, uncertain probably Thessalonika, Augustus, with Divus Julius Caesar, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), AE 20, (5.31 g), obv. bare head of Divus Julius right Θ EO[C], rev. bare head of Augustus right, around CEB[ACTOY] Θ E, (S.-, Sear Imperators-, RPC 5421, BMC Macedonia 61 [Thessalonica], SNG Evelpedes 1327). *Dark green patina, surface abrasions on both portraits, otherwise very fine and very rare.* S150

Purchased from Alexandria Coins in 2005.

While bearing a similarity to issues of Thessalonika, such an attribution has been rejected by Touratsoglou (Die Munzstatte von Thessaloniki der romischen Kaiserzeit, p.43, n.69) on the grounds of difference in style and of die axis. In the brief discussion of the type the authors of RPC note the similarity to issues of Apamea, before ending (p. 717): 'It is not clear if Θ E refers to Θ EOS and if so, why omit the last two letters, or is part of another word such as an ethnic (hence the original attribution to Thessalonica).'



4705*

Macedon, Thessalonica, Antonia Minor, as Augusta, from A.D. 41), AE 16, (4.56), obv. draped bust to left of Antonia, around [ANT] Ω NIA, rev. within four lines of wreath $\Theta E\Sigma/\Sigma A\Lambda O/NIKE/\Omega N$ (s. RPC I 1581, Touratsoglou Claudius 34, example noted in Berlin). *Good Fine, green patina and extremely rare.*

\$150

Purchased from Mithra Ancient Art in 2002.

Antonia was the daughter of Mark Antony and Octavia, niece of Augustus, wife of Nero Claudius Drusus (the younger brother of Tiberius) and mother of Claudius, grandmother of Caligula. Understood to have been poisoned on Caligula orders in 36 A.D. and was 77 years of age at her death. All coinage that bears her name was issued by Claudius early in his reign.



4706*

Macedon, Philippi, Civic issue, time of Claudius to Nero(?), (c. 41-69 A.D.), AE 20, (4.86 g), obv. Victory standing left on base, holding wreath and palm, VIC AVG across field, rev. around COHOR PRAE PHIL, three standards, (S.32, RPC 1651, SNG Cop.305-6, McClean 3267-8, AMC 1099 ff., SNG Evelpides 1275-7). *Good very fine with green patina*. \$100

Purchased from Steve Wilson in 2003 with ticket and invoice.

Believed to be minted at Philippi in Macedonia. This was the site of the great battle where Antony and Octavian had defeated the forces of Brutus and Cassius in 42 B.C. Augustus later settled the veterans of a Praetorian Cohort at Philippi, and he conferred upon them the right to mint coins, of which this is an example. This is a nicely struck coin which was struck to commemorate the anniversary of the battle of Philippi in 42 BC. It was originally thought to have been struck in the time of Augustus but has since been re-attributed to a much later date based on the metal composition of these pieces and hoard evidence. The 100 year anniversary was in 58 AD and it seems likely this is the date of these coins.



4707*

Thrace, Kingdom of, Rhoemetalces I and Pythodoris (his Queen), with Augustus and Livia, (c. 11 B.C. - A.D. 12), AE 23, (9.00 g), obv. diademed head of Rhoemetalces and Pythodoris jugate to right, with small bust of Kotys IV in field to right, around BAΣIΛΕΩΣ POIMHTAΛKOY, rev. laureate head of Augustus and Livia to right with capricorn before jugate busts, around KAIΣAPOΣ Σ ΕΒΑΣΤΟΥ, (S.5398, RPC I 1710, SNG Cop. -, Youroukova 188-193, BMC -). *Nearly very fine, dark green and dusty patina, scarce.*

\$100

Purchased from Mediterranean Coins in 2002.





Thrace, Kingdom of, Rhoemetalces I and Pythodoris (his Queen), with Augustus, (c. 11 B.C. - A.D. 12), AE 23, (8.65 g), obv. diademed head of Rhoemetalces and Pythodoris jugate to right, around BAΣIΛΕΩΣ POIMHTAΛKOY, rev. laureate head of Augustus to right, around KAIΣAPOΣ Σ EBAΣTOY, (S.5396, RPC I 1711, SNG Cop. 1188-9, Youroukova 204-8, BMC 4-6, SNG Tubingen 972-3). *Nearly extremely fine, dark green patina, scarce.*

Purchased from Clark Guy in 2002.

4709*

Thrace, Kingdom of, Rhoemetalces I, with Augustus, (c. 11 B.C. - A.D. 12), AE 22, (6.22 g), obv. diademed head of Rhoemetalces to right, around BA Σ IAEY Σ POIMHTAAKOY, rev. laureate head of Augustus to right with a capricorn before, around KAI Σ APO Σ Σ EBA Σ TOY, (S.5395, RPC I 1715; SNG Cop. -, Youroukova 171-5). *Very fine, dark green patina, light roughness, scarce.*

\$100

\$120

Purchased from Mediterranean Coins in 2002.



Moesia inferior, Tomis, Augustus (probably), (B.C. 27 - 14 A.D.), AE 18, (3.33 g), obv. jugate heads of male and female heads to right, (Augustus and Livia?), around OMONOIA ETETHIIA, rev. cornucopiae containing fruits and grapes, across TO/M ITW/N, (S.-, Varbanov 4618 [R7], RPC 1823, AMNG Pl.VI, 19 = Mouchmov Pl.IV, 11, Gorny Sale 67, October 1999 [lot 700], Lanz, Auction 114 26 May 2003 [lot 253], other examples in Bucarest). *Green and brown patination, otherwise nearly very fine, very rare.*

\$100

Purchased from Mihai Matei in 2004.



4711*

Corinthia, Corinth, Julius Caesar, AE 22 or as, (10.82 g), struck 44-43 B.C., obv. laureate head right of Julius Caesar to right, to left downwards LAVS IVLI/CORINT, with two countermarks, rev. Bellerophon, wearing petasos, riding Pegasus right and striking downward with spear, L CERTO AEFICIO C IVLIO II VIR, no legend visible, (S.-, Sear Imperators 614, Amandry D7 R19 1 (**This Coin**), BCD 314 [Lanz Sale 105]). *Good fine/fine, brown patina, rare.*

\$150

Purchased from the CNG Electronic Auction No.81, 21 January, 2004 (lot 59), previously in the BCD Collection, with collector tickets and photos.



4712*

Corinthia, Corinth, Augustus, (31 B.C. - A.D. 14), AE 21, issued 2-1 B.C., issued by C. Servilius and M. Antoninus Hipparchus, (7.39 g), obv. bare head of Augustus to right, CAESAR downwards to left, CORINT traces downwards to right, rev. heads of Gaius and Lucius Caesar facing each other around C SERVILIO C F PRIMO M ANTONIO HIPPARCHO II VIR, (S.166, BMC 504, Amandry Group XIb [obv.D5, rev R14], SNG Cop. 204, Lanz BCD Sale 105, lot 339). *Portraits fine/very fine, weak obverse legends, rare.*

\$200

Purchased from the BCD Collection and from Spink & Sons, London December 1982 with tickets.

As with the Agrippa/Augustus denarius there is some dispute over the dating and purpose of this issue. Some (see Kent & Hirmer, p. 19), who see this as an issue by Augustus after the death of Agrippa to declare the adoption of Agrippa's sons Gaius (born 20 B.C.) and Lucius (born 17 B.C.). Augustus was their grandfather. Agrippa was married to Augustus' daughter Julia (Augustus' only child) with whom he had five children. It was Julia's second marriage, previously, in 25 B.C., she married her cousin Marcellus. After the death of Agrippa she married Tiberius in 11 B.C. It appears she was unfaithful to Tiberius and was banished to the island of Pandateria but later allowed to live on the mainland at Rhegium where she died in 14 A.D. Gaius died in 4 A.D., and Lucius died in 2 A.D. The same portraits of Gaius and Lucius that are on this coin are also those on a denarius and aureus issued in 13 B.C., with a portrait of Julia on the same reverse and Augustus portrait on the obverse.



4713*

Corinthia, Corinth, Augustus, (31 B.C. - A.D. 14), AE As, issued 2-1 B.C., issued by C. Servilius and M. Antoninus Hipparchus, (6.36 g), obv. bare head of Augustus to right, CAESAR upwards to left, CORINT traces downwards to right, rev. heads of Gaius and Lucius Caesar facing each other around traces of C SERVILIO C F PRIMO M ANTONIO HIPPARCHO IIVIR, (S.166, Amandry Group XIa [obv.D11, rev.R8 [This Coin obverse illustrated], SNG Cop. 205, Lanz BCD Sale 105, lot 338). *Portraits good fine, weak legends, rare.*

\$150







Achaia, Patrai, (c.31 B.C.), silver hemidrachm, (2.40 g), issued in the name of Agys, son of Aischrion as magistrate, obv. laureate head of Zeus to right, dotted border, rev. $A\Gamma VC/AI$ -CXPI/WNOC in three lines around ΠA monogram, all within elaborately bound laurel wreath with ties above and two rostra below, (S.2962, BCD Peloponnesos 534, CNG 76, [lot 538, this coin], HGC 5,58, BMC 1 [p.10]). Nearly extremely fine with attractive dark tone, scarce.

\$400

Purchased from CNG Mail Sale Number 76, September 12, 2007 (lot 538), previously from Jean Vinchon Auction Sale 14 March 1989 (lot 123) for 1000 FF.

This coin is from a massive issue that was struck in an apparently hasty manner, a fact suggested by the relatively crude dies that were often overused. Many of the known examples are poorly struck, another indication of haste. BCD suggested that this magistrate produced these coins around 31 BC, and that the elaborate, diadem-like wreath on the reverse was a reference to Agrippa's naval victory over the forces of Antony and Cleopatra.



Peloponnesos, Achaia, Patrai, issue of Damasias Agesilaou, silver triobol or hemidrachm, (c.mid 30's B.C.), (2.16 g), obv. diademed head of Aphrodite (as Cleopatra) to right, wearing stephane, earring and necklace, hair bound behind in bun, dotted border, rev. $\Delta A/MACIAC$ all above the Patrae monogram all within laurel wreath, tied at bottom, (S.2963, BCD [LHS 96] 525-528, BMC 2-3, McClean 6325-8, SNG Lockett 2348, SNG Cop.154). *Heavily toned, good very fine and rare, with tickets.*

\$600

Purchased from CNG Mail Auction Sale 76/1 (lot 537) coming from the BCD Collection and previously from the Patros Hoard.

The date of the issue, in the mid-30s BC, suggests that the issue was made in conjunction with Mark Antony's preparations for his incipient war with Octavian. The head of Aphrodite may also have the features of Cleopatra VII, as many issues in the region at this time used her likeness in an attempt to flatter the wealthy queen. In fact, another issue of Patrai, BCD Peloponnesos 531-531, was struck in the name of Cleopatra.



4716*

Lesbos, Methymna, (2nd-1st centuries B.C.), AE 16, (4.67 g), obv. helmeted head of Athena to right with countermark with a lyre, rev. a kantharos with M - [A]/ Θ [Y], (Franke, Munzprugung 29, cf.SNG Cop.357-359, No.359 also with lyre countermark in the same obverse position). *Very fine/ fair, rare.*

\$60

Ex Dr. Adrian Carr Collection and purchased from Richard Beale.

The lyre was a typical Lesbian symbol. Coins of Mytilene also carry the same countermark.



4717*

Bithynia, Nicaea, Julius Caesar, issued 47-46 B.C., AE assarion, 25mm, (7.60 g), issued by C. Vibius Pansa, proconsul and dated CY 236 = 47/6 B.C.), obv. bare head of Julius Caesar to right, traces of NIKAIE Ω N, rev. Nike advancing right, holding wreath and palm, to left and right EIII FAI[OY], OYIBIOY IIAN Σ A monograms to left and right, $\Sigma \Lambda Z$ (date) in exergue, (S.3794, RPC I 2026, Sear Imperators (Appendix 2) 697, Weiser, Nikaia -, SNG von Aulock 535, BMC 8-9, Waddington 11, SNG Cop. -). *Fine/good fine and rare.*

\$150

This type was the first anywhere to feature the portrait of Julius Caesar. C. Vibius Pansa was part of the Caesarian faction at Rome, and probably owed his proconsulship to his patron. The only other definite lifetime portrait of Caesar from the provincial series was an issue of circa 45 B.C., at Lampsacus (see RPC I 2268-9). Both of these issues preceeded the earliest appearance of his portrait at Rome, on the denarii of M. Mettius in January, 44 B.C. Caesar was for a time Governor of Bithynia.



4718*

Mysia, Parium, Julius Caesar, c.45 B.C., AE 14, (2.06 g), issues by Praefericulum I, obv. female (probably Venus) head right, wearing stephane C G I P around, rev. Praefericulum, to right MVC PIC, to left IIII I D D D, (S.-, Sear Imperators (Appendix 2) 709, RPC I 2253, BMC 77 [Pl.XXII, 7]). *Good very fine with attractive green patina, very rare.*

Purchased from Mediterranean Coins in 2003.

The Colonia Gemella Iulia Pariana seems to have been founded by Caesar about 45 B.C., as the twin of the foundation at nearby Lampsacus.



4719*

Mysia, Parium, Julius Caesar, c.43 B.C. or later, AE 14, (2.84 g), obv. female (probably Venus) head right, wearing stephane C G I P around, rev. Praefericulum, to right and left D D, (S.-, Sear Imperators (Appendix 2) 715, RPC I 2259, BMC 80-82, SNG Cop.280, Lindgren 272). *Very fine with attractive green patina, rare.*

Purchased from Mediterranean Coins in 2004.



4720*

Ionia, Ephesus, Octavian, with Mark Antony and Lepidus, (43-33 B.C.), AE unit (5.30 g), obv. Jugate bare heads of Octavian, Mark Antony, and Lepidus to right, rev. APXIEPEY Σ Γ PAM Γ AAYK Ω N E Φ E Π OAEMAIO Σ across fields in six lines, facing cult statue of Artemis (Diana) Ephesia, (S.-, RPC I 2572A, cf.Sear Imperators 729 [different magistrate], cf.BMC 193, cf.SNG Cop. 358). *Fine with black-green patina with traces of lighter olive overtones.*

\$200

\$120

\$120

Purchased from Henri Delger in 2002, with ticket (\$300). Struck in Ionia, Ephesus to commemorate the second triumvirate.



4721*

Ionia, Ephesus, Octavian, with Mark Antony and Lepidus, (43-33 B.C.), AE unit (4.68 g), obv. Jugate bare heads of Octavian, Mark Antony, and Lepidus to right, rev. APXIEPEY Σ Γ PAM Γ AAYK Ω N E Φ E Π OAEMAIO Σ across fields in six lines, facing cult statue of Artemis (Diana) Ephesia, (S.-, RPC I 2572A, cf.Sear Imperators 729 [different magistrate], cf.BMC 193, cf.SNG Cop. 358). *Fine with dark green patina.* \$200

Purchased from Mediterrean Coins in 2002. See note above.



Phrygia, Apameia, Augustus as an issue of Gaios Masonios Roufos, (B.C. 27 - 14 A.D.), AE 15, (3.24 g), issued for Gaius Caesar in 15 B.C., obv. bare head of Gaius Caesar to right, around traces of $\Gamma AIO\Sigma KAI\Sigma AP$, rev. facing cult statue of Artemis (with supports), around traces of $MA\Sigma\Omega NIO\Sigma$ POY $\Phi O\Sigma$, (S.-, RPC 3130 [notes 2 examples only] and supplement, SNG von Aulock 8305). *Green and brown patination, otherwise nearly very fine, very rare.*

\$100

Purchased from Walter Holt in 2002.



4723*

Lycia, Masikytes, League Coinage, (1st century B.C.), silver hemidrachm, (1.53 g), obv. head of Apollo to right laureate, hair in formal curls, [Λ Y] each side of neck, rev. lyre, M A either side, to right below a tripod, all within shallow field, (S.5295, Troxell period IV, series 6 110, SNG Cop.91, BMC 15). *Extremely fine and scarce.*

\$300

Purchased in 2001 from CNG with ticket.

Troxell ascribes Series 2 to the time of Brutus and this piece is described, by type to series 6 which Troxell believes is around 28 - 18 B.C. However the arguments for closely defining this whole series are very tentative. They are, nonetheless, clearly of the imperatorial period. Two denarii of Brutus are closely connected to this coin, Crawford 503/1 uses an exactly similar head of Apollo as obverse type, and Crawford 501/1 shows a lyre and a filleted branch on reverse, like the Lycian hemidrachm. After conquering Lycia, then, Brutus struck there not only Lycian League hemidrachms like our coin, but also Roman denarii using the same or similar coin types and in one case the same engravers.



4724*

Galatia, Kingdom of Amyntas, (37-25 B.C.), AE 19 (3.47 g), obv. draped bust of Cleopatra as Artemis to right, bow and quiver to left, dotted border, rev. stag standing right, $BA\Sigma IAE \Omega\Sigma$, below AMYNTOY, dotted border, (S.-, Sear Imperators 815, SNG France 2369, RPC I 3503, BMC 14-15, CNG esale 75, 23 May 2007, [lot 449], same dies). Very fine, dark green patina and very rare.

\$250

Purchased from Walter Holt in 2008.

In 37-36 B.C., Antony awarded Galatia, and the title of king, to Amyntas, who continued to rule until his death in 25 B.C. Artemis is portrayed here with the features of Cleopatra VII of Egypt, apparently as a sign of deference to Antony and the Egyptian queen.



4725*

Cappadocia, Ariobarzanes III Eusebes Philoromaios, (52-42 B.C.), silver drachm (3.75 g), Eusebeia mint under Mount Argaios, obv. diademed bearded head to right, rev. Athena Nikephoros standing left, star and crescent to inner left, [AI] (year 11 = 42 B.C.), in exergue, around traces of BAΣIΛΕΩΣ APIOBAPZANOY EYΣEBOYΣ KAI ΦΙΛΟΡΩΜΑΙΟΥ, (S.7304, Simonetta 6b, HGC 7, 853 [R2], SNG Delepierre 2931, SNG Von Aulock 6326, BMC 4). *Good very fine, Slightly off centred on the reverse, rare.*

\$150

Purchased from Brad Nelson (CNG) from the Nelson Collection with his ticket.

This issue belongs to the large issue of coinage in the final year of Ariobarzanes III's reign. Simonetta notes that the legends on these are often blundered (as on this coin), with many letters ligate. The size of the issue, combined with these blundered legends, leads one to believe that the issue was one of expediency and probably military-related or needed for some indemnity.

Ariobarzanes III had many connections to Rome. He was patronized by Cicero and sided with Pompey against Caesar. Nevertheless, Caesar forgave him in the aftermath, and even helped him fight Pharnaces II, king of Pontos. In 42 BC, Cassius, one Caesar's assassins, ordered his death. It is believed that he may have been the grandson of Mithradates VI, as his father, Ariobarzanes II, was probably betrothed to the Pontic king's daughter when Ariobarzanes I and Mithradates were reconciled after the Second Mithradatic War. Such would explain the symbolizm on the reverse; the crescent moon surmounted by a star is a classic Pontic symbol.



4726*

Cilicia, Soli-Pompeiopolis, issued after 66 B.C., AE 16, (3.92 g), obv. head of Pompey to right, A behind neck, within a dotted border, rev. Artemis, wearing short chiton, quiver over shoulder, resting on spear, to right downwards, $\Pi OM\Pi HIO\Pi O\Lambda I$, to left NE/AN, (S. -, SNG Levante 879 [**This Coin**]). Very fine a rare denomination.

\$200

\$100

Purchased from CNG Electronic Sale 90, 26th May 2004 (lot 276).





Cilicia, Soloi-Pompeiopolis, type of Pompey the Great or later. (c.66-27 B.C.), AE 20, (6.75 g), obv. bare head to right of Pompey, rev. Nike advancing right, holding wreath and palm, to right, A Θ above monogram, traces of mint name around, (S.-, SNG von Aulock 5887-8). *Nearly very fine/fine, brown patina, very rare.*

416



Cilician Kingdom, Tarkondimotos I, (39-31 B.C.), issued at Hieropolis-Kastabala mint, AE 21, (7.15 g), obv. Tarkondimotos head right, wearing diadem, circle of dots, rev. Zeus enthroned left holding Nike & sceptre, $[BA]\Sigma IAE\Omega\Sigma$ behind, [T]APKON Δ IMO/TOY before, $\Phi IAANT\Omega NIO[Y]$ in exergue, (S.5682, RPC 3871, McClean 9135 (Pl.330, 11 p.304), BMC 1, (p.237), SNG Levante 1258, Lindgren 1656). Dark green patination, good very fine and rare. S200

Purchased from Mediterranean Coins in 2002.

Tarkondimotos I was made Dynast by Pompey and king by Mark Antony. Tarkondimotos died at the battle of Actium (2 September 31 BC) fighting for Mark Antony.



4729*

Cilician Kingdom, Tarkondimotos I, (39-31 B.C.), issued at Hieropolis-Kastabala mint, AE 22, (5.57 g), obv. Tarkondimotos head right, wearing diadem, circle of dots, countermarked with anchor in left field, rev. Zeus enthroned left holding Nike and sceptre, $[BA]\Sigma I \land E[\Omega \Sigma]$ behind, [T]APKON $\land IM/OTOY$ before, traces of $\Phi I \land ANT\Omega NIOY$ in exergue, (S.5682, RPC 3871, McClean 9135 (Pl.330, 11 p.304), BMC 1, (p.237), SNG Levante 1258, Lindgren 1656). Dark brown patination, very fine and rare.

\$200

Purchased from Najaf Coins in 2002.

This coin is of particular significance as it has a countermark of an anchor which has been suggested to represent the battle of Actium.



4730*

Cilician Kingdom, Tarkondimotos I, (39-31 B.C.), issued at Hieropolis-Kastabala mint, AE 21, (6.97 g), obv. Tarkondimotos head right, wearing diadem, circle of dots, countermarked anchor on neck, rev. Zeus enthroned left holding Nike & sceptre, $BA\Sigma IAE\Omega[\Sigma]$ behind, [TA]PKON $\Delta IMO/TOY$ before, traces of $\Phi IAANT\Omega NIOY$ in exergue, (S.5682, RPC 3871, McClean 9135 (Pl.330, 11 p.304), BMC 1, (p.237), SNG Levante 1258, Lindgren 1656). Dark green and soil patination, very fine and rare.

\$200

Purchased Noble Numismatics Sale 80 (lot 3220) in 2005.

See note above.



4731*

Cilicia, uncertain mint, Gaius Sosius, Imperator? (c.38 B.C.), AE 20, (8.54 g), obv. bare head to right (of Octavian), rev. fiscus, sella, quaestoria and hasta, Q below, (S.-, Sear Imperators 958 [suggest 30 B.C from an uncertain Syrian mint], RPC I 5410, Laffaille 324, Grant, FITA p.13, AMNG 228). *Very fine, glossy dark patina, rare.*

\$300

Purchased in 2006 from Aegean Numismatics on VCoins.

While previously attributed to a Macedonian mint with a portrait of Brutus (Friedlander) or Caesar (Grant), RPC presented a case for a Cilician or Syrian origin, supported by find data, and a portrait of Octavian(?), although the portrait is quite different than those of Octavian from other mints. Issues of similar portrait style, perhaps by the same die-cutter includes the Princeps Felix coinage, RPC I 4082-3, from Cilicia. CNG and the RPC supplement now attribute this type to Sosius.

Lysanias was the ruler of the Kingdom centred on Chalkis in Coele-Syria; a district of southern Syria with Phoenicia to the west and Palestine to the south. His father Ptolemy ruled Chalkis from 80 to 40 BC. Lysanias ruled from 40 to 36 BC and was put to death by Antony and the Kingdom given to Cleopatra. Despite this the kingdom was restored to his son Zenodoros 30 - 20 B.C., following the defeat of Antony & Cleopatra, although he, in turn, subsequently lost part of his kingdom to Herod the Great in 24 B.C.

Both sets of Cilician or Syrian issues portray Sosius, a leading general of Mark Antony. Sosius was Quaestor (symbolized on this coinage with a Q and the symbols of the office) in 39 B.C. The island of Zacynthus (Pelopponesus), a fleet station of Antony's, issued coins in the name of C SOSIVS Q (RPC 1290) etc. The first of these issues coincides with dating of this coin. Note that both include the title Q.

According to the Treaty of Brundisium, Antony and Octavian agreed that when neither of them was consul, one of each of their supporters would be Consul Designate. Sosius became Consul Designate for 32 BC. He was governor of Syria in 38 BC. Antony supported Herod the Great against his rival Antigonus. Sosius commanded the Roman forces in support of Herod's claim, as noted by Josephus. Sosius captured the island and town of Araus in 38 BC and Jerusalem in July of 37 BC, for which he was celebrated Imperator. Josephus notes that he was about to allow the soldiers to loot the fallen city and slaughter its inhabitants, when Herod intervened. Herod shrewdly asked, if the Romans, by emptying the city of money and men, had a mind to leave him to become king of a desert? Herod paid the troops a donative instead. Officers received a larger gift. Sosius himself received a most royal bounty. Sosius gave the defeated king the feminine name Antigona. He imprisoned him for execution by Antony later.

In 36 B.C., Sosius assisted Octavian and Agrippa against Sextus Pompey and afterward probably stayed in Rome, where he celebrated a triumph in 34 B.C. He was consul along with Domitianus Ahenobarbus in 32 B.C. During his consulship, he rebuilt the Temple of Apollo, which had been constructed in 431 B.C. He introduced a measure in the Senate to censure Octavian, but this was vetoed by a tribune. He fled Octavian and Rome with some 300 senators. At Actium in 31 BC, Sosius commanded the left wing of Antony's naval forces. This wing of heavy ships entered the battle first, but was overwhelmed by the smaller, faster ships of Agrippa, commander of Octavian's fleet. Meanwhile, Cleopatra, then Antony's lover escaped through the opening created by the movement. Sosius fought on, surrendered and was amazingly spared by Octavian.



Syria, under Roman authority possibly of Q Caecilius Bassus (46-45 B.C.), in the name of Philip I Philadelphus, (89-83 B.C.), silver tetradrachm, (15.51 g), Antioch on the Orontes mint, struck in year 4 Caesarian era = 46-45 B.C., obv. diademed head of Philip I to right, fillet border, rev. Zeus seated left on throne, holds Nike with wreath in outstretched hand, all within laurel wreath, on right, $[B]A\Sigma IAE[\Omega\Sigma] \Phi IAIIIIIO[Y]$, and to left $E \Pi I \Phi A N O Y \Sigma [\Phi I] A A \Delta E A \Phi[OY]$, to left VNAT monogram, Δ in exergue = year 4, (S.7214, RPC 4128, HGC 1360b, McAlee 5, Sear Imperators (Appendix 2) 845, Vagi 72). *Bright, extremely fine and rare.*

\$400

Purchased from Harlan J. Berk. Ltd. coming from Buy/Bid Sale 121, July 2001 (lot 283).



4733*

Syria, Seleucis and Pieria, Antioch, Augustus, (B.C. 27 - 14 A.D.), silver tetradrachm (14.95 g), dated year 31 of the Actian Era and Cos. XIII = 1 B.C. - 1 A.D., obv. around KAIΣAPOΣ ΣΕ ΒΑΣΤΟΥ, laureate head of Augustus to right, rev. around ETOYΣ AA (Actian era date) NIKHΣ, Tyche seated right on rock, holding palm frond with her right hand, below, half-length figure of river-god Orontes swimming right, in right field, monogram (YΠA) and IΓ consular date) lower right field a monogram ANT (ANTIOXIEΩN), (S.106, BMC 146, McAlee 186. Prieur 56. RPC 4157). *Extremely fine and rare, probably the finest known of this most interesting date of issue.*

\$1,000

Purchased from Spink & Sons, London, Numismatic Circular April 2003 (No.RM 1290) with ticket.



4734*

Syria, Coele-Syria, Chalkis ad Libanon, Lysanias as Tetrarch, (40-36 B.C.), AE 20 (6.77 g), obv. diademed head of Lysanias to right, rev. Athena Nikephoros standing left, monogram to right, around only traces of Λ Y Σ ANIOY TETPAPXOY KAI APXIEPE Ω Σ , (S.5898, SNG Cop.415-416, RPC I 4770, BMC 6 [p.280]). Fine dark brown patina with roughness in fields on reverse, a realistic late Hellenistic portrait, scarce. \$100

Purchased in 2001.

Lysanias was the ruler of the Kingdom centred on Chalkis in Coele-Syria; a district of southern Syria with Phoenicia to the west and Palestine to the south. His father Ptolemy ruled Chalkis from 80 to 40 BC. Lysanias ruled from 40 to 36 BC and was put to death by Antony and the Kingdom given to Cleopatra. Despite this the kingdom was restored to his son Zenodoros 30 - 20 B.C., following the defeat of Antony & Cleopatra; although he in turn subsequently lost part of his Kingdom to Herod the Great in 24 B.C.





Syria, Coele Syria, Chalkis, Cleopatra VII, (51-30 B.C.), 20-23mm, (8.03 g), Chalkis mint, issued and dated RY 21 and 6 = 32-31 B.C., obv. diademed bust of Cleopatra VII to right, many traces of BACI AICCHC KAEOΠATPAC around, rev. bare head of Mark Antony to right, around of ETOYC KA TOY KAI S ΘEAC NEW[TEPAC], (S.-, Sear Imperators 926, BMC 15 (Berytus), Sv.1887, RPC 4771, SNG Cop. 382, Pitchfork 172). *Very fine, brown patination, weak on parts of the legend, rare.*

\$500

Purchased from Dr. Robert Niels Draskowski, Germany in 2002.

The tragic love story of Mark Antony and Cleopatra has been told and retold since antiquity from Plutarch through Shakespeare to Hollywood. The suicides of Antony and Cleopatra in August, 30 B.C. brought an end not only to the Ptolemaic Dynasty in Egypt, but to the entire Hellenistic age. In spite of their fame, few coins depicting the portraits of both Antony and Cleopatra were struck, and bronze coins like the current example from Chalkis are similar to the excessively rare silver tetradrachms struck in Antioch. Engraved during Cleopatra's lifetime under joint authority with Antony, this coin gives us a representation of how they actually appeared.





Syria, Coele Syria, Chalkis, Cleopatra VII, (51-30 B.C.), 19mm, (4.83 g), Chalkis mint, issued and dated RY 21 and 6 = 32-31 B.C., obv. diademed bust of Cleopatra VII to right, traces of BACI AICCHC KAEOHATPAC around, rev. bare head of Mark Antony to right, around traces of ETOYC KA TOY KAI S Θ EAC NEWTEPAC, (S.-, Sear Imperators 926, BMC 15 (Berytus), Sv.1887, RPC 4771, SNG Cop. 382, Pitchfork 172). *Fine, brown patination, weak on legend, rare.*

\$200

Purchased from Senatus Consulto coins in 2003.

The portrait of Mark Antony is very un-Antony like and this is not uncommon on these coins as the engravers, it appears, had very little knowledge of his appearance. This may be an early die for this issue.



Syria, Coele Syria, Chalkis, Cleopatra VII, (51-30 B.C.), AE 17, (3.43 g), Chalkis mint, issued and dated RY 21 and 6 = 32-31 B.C., obv. diademed bust of Cleopatra VII to right, BACI AICCHC KAEOHATPAC around, rev. Athena advancing to left holding shield and spear, around ETOYC [KA TOY K]AI S @EAC NEWTEPAC, (S.-, Sear Imperators 928, Sv.1889, RPC 4773, Rouvier 439 [Berytus], Pitchfork 174). Off centred on the reverse, dark green patina, otherwise good very fine and very rare.

\$500

Purchased from Guy Clark in 2004 with his ticket.

Mark Antony illegitimately 'bestowed' a number of territories in the east on Cleopatra, including Chalkis in 36 BC, which were added to her royal dominions. These coins of Chalkis were dated with both the Egyptian and Phoenician regnal years of Cleopatra.



4738*

Syria, Coele-Syria, Chalkis ad Libanon, Octavian, (issued 31-30 B.C.), AE 20 (6.46 g), issued with Zenodorus, tetrarch and archereus, obv. bare head of Octavian right, NE to left, L BITE (date) in right field, rev. mostly present ZHNO Δ OROY TETPAPXOY KAI APXHPE Ω S, bare head of Zenodorus left, (S.5899, Sear Imperators 929, RPC I 4774; cf.SNG Cop.417, Lindgren 2136, Oxford AMC 866). *Dark patina, good very fine, mostly clear legends, rare.*

\$150

Purchased from Guy Clark, in 2002.

Zenodorus, son of Lysanias, was awarded the tetrarchy of Chalcis by Octavian following the downfall of Cleopatra and Antony at Actium. This coin is dated $B\Pi\Sigma$ = year 282 of the Seleucid era.



4739*

Syria, Coele-Syria, Chalkis ad Libanon, Octavian, (issued 31-30 B.C.), AE 18 (7.16 g), issued with Zenodorus, tetrarch and archereus, obv. bare head of Octavian right, NE to left, L BIT (date) in right field, rev. traces only ZHNO Δ OROY TETPAPXOY KAI APXHPE Ω S, bare head of Zenodorus left, (S.5899, Sear Imperators 929, RPC I 4774; cf.SNG Cop.417, Lindgren 2136, Oxford AMC 866). Dark patina, good very fine portraits but with weak legends, rare.

\$120

Purchased from Rob Miller in 2002.

See note above.



4740*

Syria, Coele-Syria, Chalkis ad Libanon, Augustus, (issued 27-26 B.C.), AE 20 (7.04 g), issued with Zenodorus, tetrarch and archereus, obv. traces only ZHNO Δ OROY TETPAPXOY KAI APXHPE Ω S, bare head of Zenodorus left, rev. bare head of Augustus right, L Z Π NE KAI in left and right fields, (S.5899, Sear Imperators 929 footnote, RPC I 4775, BMC 7, SNG Cop.417, Oxford AMC 867). *Soil patina, very fine portraits but with weak legends, rare.*

\$120

Purchased from Harlan J. Berk, Ltd., Mail bid sale No.107 (lot 684) in 2002.

A later issue that bears the Seleucid date (2)86 = 27/26 BC. RPC records only 7 specimens of this type.

See note above.



4741*

Phoenicia, Orthosia, Cleopatra VII, (51-30 B.C.), struck in Year 3 of Cleopatra's Phoenician regal years = 35-34B.C., AE 20, (8.70 g), obv. draped bust of Cleopatra VII to right, rev. Baal of Orthosia in chariot to right pulled by two griffins, L Γ , in exergue (S.-, RPC I 4501, SNG Cop.174 var. [year 3], Pitchfork Hosking Collection 170). *Good very fine*, *dark green patina patina, excellent portrait of Cleopatra, very rare.*

\$600

Purchased from Malter Galleries, Encino Ca, USA in 2001.

Orthosia is a coastal town about 8 miles north-east of Tripolis and was bequeathed to Cleopatra by Marc Antony. It needs to be remembered that when the senatorial party of Brutus and Cassius was defeated by Antony and Octavian, the victors agreed that Octavian should have Italy and the west and Antony the governance of Rome's eastern empire. Antony proceeded to Asia Minor to be welcomed with all ceremony and flattery by the Greek cities of the coast; Ephesus hailed him as the new Dionysus.

It would be recalled that Antony became infatuated with Cleopatra and at the time was married to Fulvia, who while Antony was in Greece, had with Antony's brother, Lucius raised a revolt against Octavian. This revolt failed and Fulvia went to Athens where she died soon after. Antony sought to make peace with Octavian and as part of such a gesture, married his sister Octavia. Antony and Octavia lived together for three years before he returned to Syria to launch a campaign against the Parthians. He was short of money and asked Cleopatra to help. Her price was that he marry her and in so doing help her domestic quest for power over her brother. Antony agreed and while the marriage was performed according to Egyptian rites, it was not recognised in Rome as being legal. Antony was later to file for divorce against Octavia (in May 32 B.C.), but as part of a dowry Antony gave Cleopatra the territories of Cilicia, Coele Syria, Transjordan and the Jericho Valley. Cleopatra also wanted Judea but Antony would not agree, as it was Roman policy to maintain Judea as an independent kingdom, a frontier fortress against the Parthians. Besides, King Herod was a personal friend whom he had helped to place on the throne in Jerusalem, and he knew Cleopatra hated Herod and would dispose of him. These territories that comprised the dowry, along with Palestine, had belonged to Egypt and become part of the Seleucid kingdom only to be captured by Pompey the Great such that Syria was now a Roman province.



Phoenicia, Simyra, (2nd century B.C. but maybe 37-6 B.C. as in footnote), AE 20, (6.87 g), obv. diademed head of Zeus to right, dotted border, rev. turreted and diademed bust of Tyche to right, small Z behind turreted head, all within wreath, (S.-. Lindgren and Kovacs A2138A, SNG Cop.-, BMC -, CNG 47, 591-592, CNA XI, 181). Very fine with a dark brown patina with earthen encrustation around the devices and very rare.

\$200

Purchased from Matt Kreuzer (Old Roman Coins).

This is an interesting piece with a reverse that could be linked to Cleopatra. Matt Kreuzer dates the piece to 37-36 B.C. on the basis of the part listing to the similarity of portraits as seen in RPC 4782 from Damascus. Obviously very rare and if of Cleopatra it would be extremely noteworthy. It is this very coin that is depicted on the virtual coin index on the web and is ascribed to Cleopatra.



4743*

Egypt, Kingdom of Cleopatra VII, (51-30 B.C.), copper eighty drachms (= one silver obol), AE 27, (18.01 g), Alexandria mint, obv. diademed bust of Cleopatra VII to right, line border, rev. eagle to left with closed wings, standing on a thunderbolt, to left cornucopiae, around traces of KAEOΠATPAΣ BAΣIAIΣΣHΣ, to right Π [= 80], (S.7955, Sear Imperators 948, BMC 4-5, Sv.1871, Weiser 184-5, SNG Cop. 422-4). Evenly worn as usual, nearly very fine with some soil adhesion, rare.

\$500

Purchased from Guy Clark in 2004, his asking price was for \$995 USD. This coin from the UCLA Classics Library collection that was dispersed by UCLA in 2003 with ticket.

The dating of this issue is uncertain, Sear Imperators suggests probably struck late in her reign. Sear goes on to note: 'At some point in her reign - probably in her final years - Cleopatra undertook a reform of the Ptolemaic bronze coinage. Two denominations are represented, both undated but bearing the marks of value ' Π ' (=80) and 'M' (=40). The ratio between the silver and bronze drachma at this time was probably 480 to I, so the piece of 80 drachmas may be regarded as the equivalent of a silver obol and the 40 drachmas a hemiobol'.



4744*

Egypt, Kingdom of Cleopatra VII Philopator, (51-30 B.C.), AE dichalkon or eighth Unit (1.67 g), Paphos mint, obv. diademed and draped bust right, rev. double cornucopiae flanked by ribbons, trace of legend, (S.-, Kreuzer p.43; Sv.1161 (Ptolemy IV), Weiser -, SNG Cop.649, CNG 69 [lot 737]). *Very fine/fair, rare.*

Purchased from Walter Holt.

\$100

Kreuzer, in his book The Coinage System of Cleopatra VII and Augustus in Cyprus, assembled evidence pointing towards a later date for the small Ptolemaic bronzes in circulation on Cyprus, attributing them to Cleopatra VII, rather than the time of Ptolemy IV and Arsino III. The evidence includes the discovery of a Ptolemaic mint at Paphos, striking these small coins at the very end of the Ptolemaic period.



4745*

Egypt, Kingdom of Cleopatra VII Philopator, (51-30 B.C.), AE dichalkon or eighth unit (1.34 g), Paphos mint, obv. diademed and draped bust right, rev. double cornucopiae flanked by ribbons, trace of legend, (S.-, Kreuzer p.43, Sv.1161 (Ptolemy IV),; Weiser -, SNG Cop.649, CNG 69 [lot 737]). *Good fine and rare.*

Purchased from Aquora Coins in 2006. See note above.



4746*

Kingdom of Numidia, Juba I (Pompey's ally), silver denarius, struck at Utica, (c.60-46 B.C.), (2.83 g), obv. diademed and draped bust of Juba to right, holding scepter over shoulder, on right, [REX IVBA], rev. around Hmmmlkt - Ywb'Y in neo-Punic characters, octastyle temple, (S.6607 and S.543, MAA 29, SNG Cop.523, RPC 717). *Good very fine, off centred reverse.*

\$120

\$100



4747*

Mauretania, kingdom of Juba II, (25 B.C. - A.D. 24), silver denarius (3.11 g), Caesarea mint, obv. diademed head to right of Juba II, to right, REX IVBA, rev. Cornucopia with transverse sceptre in background, crescent to upper right, (S.5974, Mazard 241, MAA 95, SNG Cop.579, Muller 23 [p.103]), MAA 70, Mazard 126, Muller, Afrique 18, SNG Cop.554). *Toned, slightly off centred on the reverse, otherwise good very fine and very scarce.*

\$200

Purchased from Old Roman Coins sold on behalf of Edward C. Parsons on Simsbury CT, USA, in 2004 with ticket. See note above.



Mauretania, Kingdom of Juba II, (25 B.C. - A.D. 24), silver denarius (2.99 g), Caesarea mint, obv. diademed head to right of Juba II, around REX IVBA, rev, draped bust of Africa right, wearing lion skin headdress, two spears behind, (S.5971, MAA 70, Mazard 126, Muller, Afrique 18, SNG Cop.554). *Toned, slightly off centred on the obverse, otherwise good very fine and very rare.*

\$400

Purchased from Malter Galleries, Encino, in 2002.

Juba II was the son of Juba I and survived the events of 46 B.C., when his father was killed. At the time Juba II was an infant and was taken by Caesar to Rome to be brought up in his household. Juba II befriended Octavian who upon coming to power bestowed upon Juba II the northern African kingdom of Mauretania, the land of the Moors that extended from the Numidian border westward to the Atlantic ocean. His first wife was Cleopatra Selene who was the daughter of Mark Antony and Cleopatra VII of Egypt. Their son, Ptolemy, succeeded to the kingdom in A.D. 23. Juba's second wife was Glaphyra the daughter of Archelaus, king of Cappadocia.



4749*

L. Julius L.f. Caesar, (c.103 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.80 g), obv. Mars helmeted head to left, CAESAR behind, rev. Venus Genetrix, in biga to left, lyre before, C. above, L.IVLI.L.F. in exergue, (S.198, Cr.320/1, Syd.593, RSC Julia 4). Short on flan, good very fine and scarce.

The second issue with the title CAESAR by the Julius Caesar family and it is a coin struck by a relative with the family name before Julius Caesar was born.



4750*

M. Porcius Cato, (89 B.C.), silver quinarius, Rome mint, (1.86 g), obv. female bust to right, [M.CATO] behind, symbol below, rev. Victory seated right, holding patera, VICTRIX in exergue, (S.248, Cr.343/2, Syd.597, B.Porcia 7). Off centred obverse, otherwise good very fine and scarce.

\$100

\$150

Purchased with tickets from a dealer from Denmark and a 1963 ticket from an Italian dealer.





4751*

Q. Caecilius Metellus Pius, (as Imperator c.81 B.C.), (c.81 B.C.), silver denarius, North Italy mint, (3.89 g), obv. Pietas diademed head to right, stork before, rev. jug and lituus IMPER in exergue, all within laurel wreath, (S.302, Cr.374/2, Syd.751, RSC Caecilia 44). *Lightly toned, nearly extremely fine and rare.*

Purchased from CNG.

An issue struck in North Italy as imperator where he was campaigning on behalf of Sulla. The following year he was the dictator's colleague in the consulship. Metellus was the adopted father of Metellus Pius Scipio. In Sear Imp there is a note on page 334 (footnote #84) that refers to the stork which is also on some other types -- see page 157 that depicts the stork on coin types of Antony, where Sear makes the observation that the stork was an emblem of family piety.



4752*

Cn. Cornelius Lentulus Marcellinus, (c.76-75 B.C.), silver denarius, uncertain Spanish mint, (3.99 g), obv. Genius of the Roman People with diadem, draped bust to right, sceptre on shoulder and G.P.R. above, rev. EX SC divided by globe between rudder and sceptre, CN. LEN. Q below, (S.323, Cr.393/1a, Syd.752, B.Cornelia 54). *Brilliant, with full mint bloom, good extremely fine and rare.*

\$400

\$300

Purchased from Harlan J. Berk Ltd. with their ticket.

This is a very interesting issue, struck to pay Pompey's troops during one of his campaigns in Spain in 76 B.C. Cn. Lentulus struck in Spain in his capacity as questor to the proconsul Pompey, who had been sent to the peninsula to assist Q. Caecilius Metellus Pius in the protracted war against Sertorius. (see also Sydenham, p. 122, #752).



4753^{*}

M. Aemilius Scaurus and P. Plautius Hypsaeus, (c.58 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.93 g), obv. king Aretas kneeling beside camel to right, M.SCAVR and AED CVR above, [REX ARETAS] in exergue, [EX] to left, S[C] to right, rev. Jupiter in quadriga to left, P.HYPSAE / AED CVR above, CAPTV on right, C.HYPSAE COS/ PREIVER in exergue, scorpion below horses, (S.379, Cr.422/1b, Syd.913, RSC Aemilia 8). Attractive light patina, slightly off centred on obverse, otherwise nearly extremely fine and very scarce. S250

\$250

Purchased from CNG with their ticket.

The extraordinary obverse type commemorates the surrender to Scaurus of the Nabataean king Aretas III in 62 BC. This coin represents the first instance of a moneyer portraying an event from his own career on the coinage. M. Aemilius, as governor of Syria, repressed the incursions of the Nabatean Arabs and compelled their king, Aretas, to submit and pay a fine, Pub. Plautius was curule aedile with him in 58 BC.

Pompey captured Jurusalem and his lieutenant Scaurus received the surrender of Aretas, the king of the neighbouring Nabataeans which is depicted on this coin. It is said that this 'king' had to pay a fine of 300 talents. This denarius shows him kneeling besides his camel, which probably represents wealth to the inhabitants of that part of the world as it would have done to their decendants until very recently.





Q. Servilius Caepio, (M. Junius Brutus), (54 B.C.), silver denarius, (3.75 g), obv. bare head of L. Junius Brutus to right, BRVTVS behind, rev. bare head of C. Servilius Ahala to right, AHALA behind, (S.398, Cr.433/2, Syd 907, RSC Junia 30). Toned, with attractive grey patination, struck slightly off centre on obverse, otherwise extremely fine with superb portraits, rare.

\$1,500

Purchased from Stacks, New York, Auction Sale December 7-8, 1994 (lot 2144), with ticket.

The young moneyer Brutus issued this coin in commemoration of his illustrious family. C. Servilius Ahala murdered Spurius Maelius in 439 B.C. alleging that he was an enemy of the state. Brutus would go on to be the most famous assassin of Julius Caesar in 44 B.C. It is suggested that this coin was struck when Brutus was a young man and is consequently of great historical significance for it points to his ancestors and implies his political views, ie. Republican. Q. Caepio Brutus is better known as M. Junius Brutus, one of the assassins of Julius Caesar. He was adopted by his uncle, Q. Servilius Caepio, hence the inscription on some of his coins we find the name Q. Caepio Brutus.



4755*

Q. Pompeius Rufus, (c.54 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.83 g), obv. Q. POMPEI Q.F./RVFVS above curule chair between arrow and laurel branch, COS below on tablet, rev. SVLLA COS above curule chair between lituus and wreath, Q POMPEI RVF below on tablet, (S.400, Cr.434/2, Syd.909, B.Pompeia 5). *Banker's mark on reverse, otherwise nearly extremely fine and very scarce.*

\$300

Purchased from the 2001, Harlan J. Berk, 123rd Buy-Bid Sale (lot 519) with ticket included.



4756*

Q. Pompeius Rufus, (c.54 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.91 g), obv. [Q.] POMPEI Q.F./RVFVS above curule chair between [arrow] and laurel branch, [C]OS below on tablet, rev. SVLLA COS above curule chair between lituus and wreath, Q POMPEI RVF below on tablet, (S.400, Cr.434/2, Syd.909, B.Pompeia 5). *Off centred on obverse, otherwise very fine and very scarce.*

\$200



4757*

C. Vibius C.f.C.n. Pansa Caetronianus, (48 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.91 g), obv. Mask of Pan to right, pedum behind PANSA below, rev. Jupiter Axurus seated to left, C.VIBIVS C.F.C.N. behind and IOVIS, AXVR before, (S.420, Cr.449/1b, Sear Imperators 20, Syd.948, B.Vibia 19). *Very fine/good very fine and very scarce.*

\$200

Purchased from Axis Mundi, Santa Fe, NM, USA with their ticket.

The representation of the youthful Jupiter Axurus suggests that the Vibia gens originally dwelt at Axur (Tarracina). There was a temple dedicated to the young Jupiter in that town.





C. Antius Restio, (c.47 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.75 g), obv. bare head to right of tribune Antius Restio, RESTIO behind, rev. Hercules facing with club and trophy, [C.]ANTIVS C.F. before, (S.434, Cr.455/1, Sear Imperators 34, Syd.970, B.Antia 1). *Lightly toned, surface marks, otherwise fine and rare.*

\$100

Purchased with dealer's ticket.

The Antius Restio pictured here was a tribune of the people. After the passing of his sumptuary law he was forced to seek refuge at the city of Lavinium where resided a special cult of the Dei Penates. Hercules is depicted on the reverse as Hercules Triumphalis, the Antia gens is reputed to have descended from Antiades, the son of Hercules and Aglaia.



Q. Caecilius Metellus Pius Scipio, (c.47-46 B.C.), silver denarius, Africa mint, (3.77 g), obv. laureate head of Jupiter to right, Q METAL PIVS around, rev. elephant standing to right, SCIPIO above, IMP in exergue, border of dots, (S.1379, Sear Imperators 45, RSC Caecilia 47, Cr.459/1, Syd. 1046). *Toned, very fine/good very fine and rare.*

Purchased from Henri Delger.

Scipio was Pompey's colleague in the consulship of 52 BC, and governor of Syria in 49 BC. He commanded the center line of Pompey's army at Pharsalus, after which he fled to Africa and formed an alliance with Juba, king of Numidia. Through the influence of Cato, he obtained control of the Pompeian forces and was defeated by Caesar in 46 BC at Thapsus, where, not wanting to be captured, he committed suicide. This coin was struck during Scipio's North African campaign to pay soldiers under his command.



4760*

M. Porcius Cato, (part of the Pompeians), (Spring 47-Spring 46 B.C.), silver denarius (3.96 g), Utica mint, obv. head of Roma right, with hair collected in knot, ROMA to left, M. CATO. PRO. PR around lower right, rev. Victory seated right on chair set on ground line, holding wreath in right hand and palm frond over left shoulder, VICTRIX in exergue, dotted border, (S.1381, Cr.462/1b, Sear Imperators 46b, CRI 46b, Syd. 1053a, Kestner 2996-2998, BMCRR Africa 18, Porcia 10a). *Extremely fine, with traces of underlying mint bloom, rare.*

Purchased in 2001.

The coin types of this magistrate are copied from those of the moneyer M.Porcius Cato who held office c.89 B.C.



4761*

P. Clodius M.F. Turrinus, (42 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.90 g), obv. Apollo head laureate to right, lyre behind, dotted border, rev. Diana Lucifera standing facing holding two long torches, bow and quiver at shoulder, P CLODIVS before M.F. on left, (S.492, Sear Imperatorial 184, Cr.494/23, Syd.1117). *Lightly toned, early extremely fine and rare.* S300

Purchased from Pyramid Coins in 2001.

The identity of Publius Clodius son of Marcus is uncertain but other than being a member of the monetary quattuorvirate of 42 B.C.



4762*

\$400

\$400

L. Livineius Regulus, (42 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (3.50 g), obv. bare head of Praetor to right, REGVLVS PR around, rev. curule chair with two fasces, one on each side, above REGVLVS F and PRAEF VR in exergue, (S.490, Cr.494/31, Syd.1113, Sear Imperators 180, RSC Livineia 8). *Toned, good very fine and very scarce in this condition.* \$600

Purchased in 2001.



4763*

C. Vibius Varus, (42 B.C.), plated silver denarius (fouree) (3.19 g), Rome mint, obv. laureate and bearded head of Hercules to right, dotted border, rev. Minerva standing right, holding spear and Victory, shield set on ground to right, [C. VIBIVS] on right, VARVS on left, (S.497, Sear Imperators 193, Cr.494/37, Syd.1139, B Vibia 23). *Obverse struck off centre, some surface damage, otherwise fine/very good and very scarce.*

\$100

Purchased from Caesars Coins in 2005.

Sear notes that this is one of the two rare 'types honouring Minerva and Hercules and allude to the forthcoming struggle with the republican forces led by Brutus and Cassius. The goddess of war, the consort of Jupiter, and the legendary hero are invoked as powerful allies of the Triumvirs in their quest to avenge the murder of Caesar'.



4764*

L. Mussidius Longus, (42 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, (4.00 g), obv. veiled bust of Concord to right, CONCORDIA behind, * before, dotted border, rev. L. MVSSIDIVS LONGVS above platform inscribed CLOACIN with two statues of Venus Cloacina, (S.494, Sear Imperators 188a, Cr.494/42b, Syd.1093a, B. Mussidia 6b). *Bright, slightly off centre, otherwise good very fine and very scarce.*

\$300

Purchased from Najaf in 2001.

Sear believes that the reverse type on this issue may refer to the concept of purification following the treachery of Caesar's murder, as the shrine of Venus Cloacina was located on the north side of the Forum, above the Cloaca Maxima, one of Rome's oldest sewers.



Cassius, (43-42 B.C.)/ **Julius Caesar**, (early 46 B.C.), silver denarius, hybrid/mule or barbarous copy, a copy of issue from of the obverse Smyrna moving with Brutus and Cassius and of the reverse issued Utica? North Africa mint, (3.23 g), obv. diademed head of Liberty to right, upwards on left CASS. IMP, upwards on right I LEIBERTAS around, rev. emblems of the augurate and pontificate, simpulum, aspergillum, jug and lituus, AVGVR above PONT II below, D to right, (S.1447/2 & 1403/1, Sear Imperator. 223 & 57, Vagi 103 & 45, Cr.500/5 & 467/1a, Syd.1305 & 1023, RSC Cassius #6 & Julius Caesar #4a). *Very fine or better, a most interesting mule of barbarous style, extremely rare.*

\$500

Purchased in 2002, from Tzvetomir Boev on an ebay auction (hermescoins1).

Dr. Carr comments : "This is a fascinating and enigmatic coin produced from barbarous mixed dies. Clearly a struck piece in silver that, in theory, could not have been produced from the original dies as these dies are 4 years apart. The dies are of fine style. The original obverse, of course, is that from a coin of Cassius and is associated with the meeting of Cassius and Brutus at Smyrna. The original die was struck by Lentulus Spinther, the infamous assassin's lieutenant. The original reverse is thought to have been struck in 46 B.C., to pay Caesar's troops after the battle of Thapsus - 6th April 46 B.C. Sear suggests the Caesar pieces were struck at Utica, Africa.

Hybrid coins with what at first glance may seem improbable combinations, are known to exist. Harlan Berk in his 134th Buy or Bid Sale lists a hybrid of Mark Antony and Augustus, struck from dies that are from types thought to be separated by some 20 years and from different mints. Again the silver is good and the strike appears to be genuine. If this Cassius/Caesar coin is an ancient forgery, then the fine style might suggest the coin was produced in Gaul or perhaps Northern Italy. It has also been suggested the piece might have been pre-Augustan or early in the time of Augustus when monetary supply was slightly problematic.

To have a coin that is a mixture of a reference to Caesar and one of his assassins, is clearly a fascinating piece! There is also much emerging in the field to suggest that contemporary 'forgeries' were motivated by either an attempt to deceive, such as plated and debased coins, or simply to supplement official coinage that was locally in short supply. It is argued by some (see Warren Esty website) that regional governors, local army commanders and/or rich local persons may have struck coinage as the government failed to send adequate supply. This coin is clearly an enigma struck in silver of high fineness".



4766*

Gnaeus Pompey Junior, (c.46-5 B.C.), silver denarius, Spanish mint (Corduba), (3.81 g), obv. Roma helmeted head to right, M. POBLICI. LEG. PRO PR around, rev. Hispania or Baetica presenting palm to a Pompeian soldier (possibly Pompey himself) who is alighting from prow, CN. MAGNVS. IMP around, (S.1384, Cr.469/1a, Sear Imperators 48, Syd.1035, RSC Pompey the Great 1). *Lightly toned, off centred reverse, otherwise extremely fine and rare.*

\$1,000

Purchased from Marc Breitspecher of Ancient Imports, Grand Marais MN, USA, December 2005.

This coin was struck by Gnaeus Pompey, the son of Pompey Magnus, in an attempt to revive the spirit of the party after his father's murder.



4767*

Sextus Pompey, (c.43-36 B.C.), AE as, Sicilian mint, (19.52 g), obv. laureate head of Janus, [MA]GN above, rev. prow to right, PIVS above, [IM]P below, (S.1394, Cr.479/1, Sear Imperators 336, Syd.1044a, BMC 95, Vagi 32). *Dark green patina, nearly very fine and rare.*

\$200

Purchased from Richard Beale in 2002.

Struck by Sextus Pompey.



Sextus Pompey, younger son of Pompey the Great, (died 35 B.C.), silver denarius, mint of Massilia, issued 44-43 B.C., (3.41 g), obv. bare head of Pompey the Great to right, NEPTVNI to left downwards, trident before, dolphin to right below, rev. Q NASIDIVS in exergue, galley under sail to right, star above, (S.1390, Cr.483/2, Sear Imperators 235, RSC 20, BMC Sicily 21). *Cleaned, porous surface, good fine/very fine and very rare.*

\$1,500

Quintus Nasidius was commander of Sextus' naval fleet while Sextus was in Masillia watching political events unfold further east. Coins of this issue do not bear the title "praefectus classis et orae maritimae" (commander-in-chief of the fleet and of the sea coasts) awarded to Sextus by the Senate in April 43 BC, indicating a prior striking date. They also do not bear Sextus' name, although the trident, dolphin, and legend NEPTVNI may refer to Sextus' naval superiority in the western Mediterranean.



4769*

Sextus Pompey, younger son of Pompey the Great, (died 35 B.C.), silver denarius, mint of Sicily, issued 42-40 B.C., (3.67 g), obv. bare head of Pompey the Great to right, jug behind, lituus before, MAG PIVS IM[P ITER] around, rev. Neptune standing to left with right foot on prow, holding aplustre, between the Catanean brothers Anapias and Amphinomus, each of whom bears a parent on his shoulders, PRAEF above, CLAS ET OR[AE] over MARIT EX S[C] in exergue, (S.1392, Sear Imperators 344, Cr.511/3a, Syd. 1344, C.Pompey 17). Areas of flat striking on obverse and reverse, however the portrait of Pompey remains forcefully rendered and the reverse is well centred, toned, nearly extremely fine and rare.

Purchased from Coast Coins in 2001.

In 42 B.C. Sextus Pompey defeated the attempt of Octavian's general Salvidienus to dislodge him from his Sicilian stronghold whereupon his troops proclaimed him the 'Son of Neptune', the theme adopted for his Sicilian coinage. The title Prefect of the Fleet (praefectus classis) was that which had been bestowed by the Senate in April of 43 B.C., prior to Sextus being outlawed and eventually proscribed by the triumviral government. This issue is important in portraying a portrait of Pompey the Great.





Julius Caesar, (died 44 B.C.), silver denarius, issued 49-48 B.C., mint moving with Caesar, (3.56 g), obverse brockage, obv. elephant to right, trampling on serpent, CAESAR in exergue, rev. incuse version of the obverse, (S.1399, Cr.443/1, Sear Imperators 9, Syd.1006, RSC 49). *With fire damage near edge on the obverse, nearly very fine and very rare as a brockage, with only a very few known.*

\$500

Purchased with a certificate with photo from Henri J. Delgar, Wollaston, MA, USA certifying authenticity.

This was an 'extra-legal' issue of coinage by Julius Caesar, and was not authorized by the Senate. It was struck by Caesar's travelling military mint, to pay his soldiers after the famous crossing of the Rubicon, which was also not authorized by the Senate. Circulation of the coinage was facilitated more by the crisis precipitated by Caesar's advance upon Rome than by his popularity, and made necessary because the Pompeians abandoned the city and its mint as his legions approached. Since the coinage was supported by nothing more than his name (and of course his military power) it is likely that the design was approved by Caesar personally.





4771*

Julius Caesar, (issued c.47-46 B.C.), silver denarius, (3.94 g), Africa mint, obv. diademed head of Venus to right, dotted border, rev. CAESAR to right, Aeneas walking left, carrying Anchises and palladium, dotted border, (S.1402, Cr.458/1, Sear Imperators 55, Syd.1013, RSC Julius Caesar 12). *Full mint bloom, with traces of gold, extremely fine and rare in this condition.*

\$1,000

Purchased from the CNG Triton Sale IX, January 10-11, 2006, (lot 1335).

This was a huge issue for Caesar's campaign against the Pompeians in Africa. The example is a great strike from worn dies in which one can note a die crack on reverse while all other details are captured 'crisply'.

\$1,200



Julius Caesar, (assassinated 44 B.C.), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued April 44 B.C., (3.42 g), an issue shortly after Caesar's assassination on the Ides (15th) of March, issued in the name of the moneyer Gaius Cossutius Maridianus, obv. laureate and veiled head of Julius Caesar to right, C[AESAR] PARENS PATRIAE around, lituus below chin, apex behind, rev. C. COSSVTIV[S] AND [MA]RIDIANVS arranged in form of a cross, A[A]AFF in the angles, (S.1422, Sear Imperators 112, Cr. 480/19, Syd.1069, BMC 4187). Off centred, weak in places, with flat areas, clear portrait and dark tone, otherwise good very fine and a rare type.

\$3,000

Acquired in 1994 from Canberra Coins, coming from a Stacks auction.



4773*

Julius Caesar and Mark Antony, (43 B.C.), silver denarius, Gallia Transalpina and Cisalpina mint, (3.62 g), obv. M ANTON [IMP R.P.C.], around Mark Antony bare head to right, banker's mark on cheek, rev. CAESAR DIC before laureate head of Julius Caesar, jug behind, dotted border, (S.1465, Cr.488/2, Syd.1166, C. Julius Caesar and Mark Antony 3), Slightly off centred on the obverse, otherwise nearly fine, rare.

\$250

Purchased from Henri Helger in 2001 with his ticket.

This coin represents an opportunity to acquire a portrait of Julius Caesar issued a year after his assassination. The coin was issued in the period April 43 to the autumn of 43 B.C.



4774*

M. Junius Brutus with L. Plaetorius Caestianus, silver denarius, probably an ancient forgery, original struck in Northern Greece c.43-42 B.C., (3.17 g), obv. [BRV]T IMP to right, downwards on left L'PLAET'CEST, bare head of Brutus to right, rev. EID MAR Pileus between two daggers, (cf.S.1439, cf.Babelon Junia 52 and Plaetoria 13, cf.Syd 1301, cf.Sear Imperators 216, cf.Cahn, EIDibus MARtiis, Q.Tic. 18, 1989, (dies not listed), cf.Cr.508/3). *Flan cuts and some gouges, weakly struck on top of the head, through attempting piercing, edge filed in places, otherwise nearly fine and very rare.*

\$750

Purchased in 2001.

Various communications by Dr. Carr are indicated and expanded below.

It is thought to be a contemporary forgery ie., at the time of Brutus. The coin was definitely a struck coin and not cast and has the weight and silver composition of other military pieces of the time of Brutus. Mapping shows the same alignment of the coin's obverse as a specimen recorded in Foss' book with the prominent epiglottis and thinner neck. This specimen is not from any dies noted by Cahn. The reverse has an interesting map in as much as the dagger on the right is slightly higher than that on the left which is unlike almost all illustrated by Cahn. It needs to be remembered that other military issue coins of the time show the work of some apprentice engravers with mistakes and variations in the dies. The coin was sold to Dr. Carr by its original owner as genuine.

Communication between the original seller and the agent for the coin states; 'the coin from which you bought from my consignor came from a very large collection from Alberta Canada in 1947 and had included many fabulous Roman and Greek rarities including a Carthage Decadrachm for which I bought the coin for \$22,000 several years ago. Several Roman coins of Pertinax and P. Niger were in there as well, I own both of them. With the Eid Mar coin, unless I can positively 100% identify it as genuine I cannot sell as genuine.' David Sear said the following: 'The style of the portrait is certainly curious and seems to differ markedly from that of other published specimens. The piece definitely looks ancient, but I wonder whether it might be some type of 'contemporary forgery' struck unofficially in Imperatorial times in imitation of the regular issue. The rather caricaturish-nature of the features look to be somewhat more reminiscent of some of the early triumviral portraits of Antony and Octavian, so perhaps the coin may have been produced in the West by Republican sympathizers.'

The 'Eid Mar' denarius, one of the most famous rarities of all ancient coins, was struck in the summer of 42 BC at a mint moving with Brutus's army in Greece. The date (Eid[ibus] Mar[tiis]) takes on the character of a symbolic watchword, while the pileus represents liberty regained and the daggers are the messengers of the deed. A recent genuine example realised 400,000 SFr hammer at auction.

CNG had a similar example in fair condition as a fourree denarius (15 July 2015) (lot 465) realised \$4500.



Mark Antony and Octavian, (Antony committed suicide 30 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Antony probably at Ephesus, issued 41 B.C., issued by moneyer M. Barbatius Pollio, (3.78 g), obv. bare head of Antony to right, M ANT IMP AVG III VIR R P C M BARBAT Q P around, dotted border, rev. bare head of Octavian to right, around CAESAR IMP PONT III VIR R P C, dotted border, (S.1504, Cr.517/2, Syd. 1181, RSC 8). Attractive lightly toned, well centred, nearly extremely fine and very rare as such.

\$1,500

Purchased from Monetarium, Sydney on 19th October 1994 (invoice included with lot \$1450), noted as previously from Regal Coins in 1981 who sold it to Monetarium in 1994.

This coin commemorates the reconciliation between Mark Antony and Octavian in 41 BC. Struck in spring to summer 41 BC probably at Ephesus.

Although produced three years after Julius Caesar's introduction of contemporary portraiture on Roman coinage, this issue displays a very developed style with encircling inscription, upon which all later imperial numismatic iconography was based. The coin was produced by Antony, honouring his colleague in the triumvirate, Octavian. The issue was made in the name of M. Barbatius Pollio, a friend of Julius Caesar and quaestor pro praetore to Antony in the East. The year 41 B.C. saw the first meeting of Antony with Cleopatra, at Tarsus, and he spent the following winter with her in Egypt.



4776*

Mark Antony and Octavian, (Antony committed suicide 30 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Antony at Ephesus, issued 41 B.C., issued by moneyer M. Barbatius Pollio, (3.01 g), obv. bare head of Antony to right, M ANT IMP AVG III [VIR R P C M BARBAT Q P] around, dotted border, rev. bare head of Octavian to right, around CAESAR IMP PONT III VIR R P C, dotted border, (S.1504, Cr. 517/2, Syd. 1181, RSC 8). Attractive lightly toned, edge corrosion rough surface, portrait fine - very fine, otherwise nearly fine.

\$200

Purchased from Harlan J.Berk Ltd., Chicago with ticket Sale 192 (lot 38800).

See note above.



4777*

Lucius Antony and Mark Antony, silver denarius, issued 41 B.C., travelling mint with Mark Antony, (3.74 g), obv. head of Mark Antony to right, around M ANT I MP (ligated) AV (ligated) G III VIR R P C M NE (ligated) RVA PROQ P, dotted border, rev. head of Lucius Antony to right, dotted border, around L. ANTONIVS COS, (S.1509, Cr.517/5a, Sear Imperators 1509, Lucius Antony 2 (p.130), BMC East 107). Lightly toned, good very fine and rare.

\$1,000

Purchased from CNG Mail bid sale of 12 November 2001 (coin number 64970) where it was estimated at \$1200.

Lucius was the younger brother of Mark Antony, and was consul in 41 B.C. He was later appointed by Augustus to command in Iberia.



4778*

Mark Antony, (died 30 B.C.), silver denarius, (3.20 g), issued Summer 40 B.C., Corcyra mint, obv. around ANT IMP III [VIR R.P.C.], head of Mark Antony to right, lituus behind, rev. CN DOM[IT AHENOBARBVS] IMP, prow to right, star above, (S.1472, Cr.521/2, RSC 10a, BMC 112). *Toned, fine with weak legends, very rare.*

\$300

Acquired from Walter Holt.

An issue indicating Antony's reconciliation with Cn. Domitius Ahenobarbus.



4779^{*}

Mark Antony and Octavian, (Antony committed suicide 30 B.C.), silver cut in half denarius, mint moving with Antony in Syria, issued 41 B.C., issued by moneyer M. Barbatius Pollio, (2.04 g), obv. bare head of Antony to right, [M ANTON IMP I]II VIR R P C AVG around, dotted border, rev. bare head of Octavian to right, around [CAESAR] IMP PONT III VIR [R P C], dotted border, (S.1506, Cr. 528/3, Sear Imperators 251, BMC 123, RSC 2). Attractive lightly toned, nearly very fine.

\$120

\$200

Purchased from Mediterranean Coins in 2003. See note above.



4780*

Octavian and Mark Antony, issued in Gaul, (39 B.C.), silver quinarius (1.48 g), military mint travelling with Octavian in Gaul, obv. diademed and veiled head of Concordia to right, around III VIR R P C, rev. M ANTON C CAESAR, clasped hands holding caduceus, (S.1575, Cr.529/4b, Sear Imperators 304, Syd.1195, RSC M.Antony 67). Very fine, minor porosity and two small triangular bankers' marks, scarce.

Purchased from I.S.Wright, Sydney in 2002.

This coin commemorates the reconciliation between Mark Antony and Octavian in 41 BC. Struck in spring to summer 39 B.C., in Gaul.



4781*

Mark Antony, (38-37 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Mark Antony, issued in Athens in Summer 38 B.C., (3.83 g), obv. standing figure of Mark Antony to right, dressed as a priest holding lituus, M. ANTONIVS M.F. M.N. AVGVR IMP TER around, rev. radiate head of Sol to right, III. VIR R.P.C. COS DESIG. ITER. ET. TERT. around, (S.1474, Sear Imperators 267, Cr.533/2, Syd.1199, C.Mark Antony 13a). *Dark grey patination, nearly extremely fine and very scarce.*

\$1,000

Purchased from Harlan J. Berk Ltd., Chicago, in Mail Bid Sale 133 (lot 299), July 2003 with ticket (stock 35606).

This coin commemorates the reconciliation between Mark Antony and Octavian in 41 BC. Struck in spring to summer 39 B.C., in Gaul.





4782*

Mark Antony, (32-31 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Mark Antony, (3.21 g), obv. praetorian galley to right with rowers etc., around [ANT AVG] III VIR. R.P.C., rev. legionary eagle between two standards, around above [CHORTI]VM PRAETORIARVM, (S.1483, Sear Imperators 385, Cr.544/1, Syd.1212, RSC Mark Antony 8). *Toned, with a few surface scratches, otherwise very fine and rare.*

\$500

Purchased from Spink & Sons, London with ticket, bought in 2002.

These named issues were to the four praetorian cohorts, the elite troops and a rarer type of the legionary issue.

See note above.



4783*

Mark Antony, (32-31 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Mark Antony, (3.26 g), obv. praetorian galley to right with rowers etc., around ANT AVG III VIR. R.P.C., rev. legionary eagle between two standards, LEG II below, (cf. S.1479, Sear Imperators 349, Cr.544/14, Syd.1216, RSC Mark Antony 27). Attractively toned, with several surface scratches, otherwise very fine and scarce in this condition. \$200

Purchased from Clark Smith in 2001.

This legion was an Antonian legion which was disbanded or lost its separate identity after Actium. Twenty-two or twenty-three individual legions were named on these coins, as well as two special cohorts. This issue, the largest single issue of the Republic and Imperatorial periods, was of base silver. Pliny notes, "Antonius as Triumvir mixed iron into his denarii," where iron is an error for copper, the actual alloy used. In addition, the weight standard was slightly lower than that of prior denarii. However, they were valued at the full denarii in their time, despite their silver content. The issue was produced quickly, with variable die-axis. Striking while hot gave the coins a more silvery look, as the more fluid silver rose to the surfaces. Over time, coins with better silver content were withdrawn for hoards, or for melting. Gresham's Law kept the legionary denarii in circulation for many generations. In addition, many were silver plated, (fouree). Today, many are found in very worn condition, with banker's marks as these legionary denarii circulated alongside other Roman denarii into Severan times.



4784*

Mark Antony, (32-31 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Mark Antony, (2.95 g), obv. praetorian galley to right with rowers etc., around ANT [AVG] III VIR. R.P.C., rev. legionary eagle between two standards, LEG X below, (cf. S.1479, Sear Imperators 361, Cr.544/24, Syd.1228, RSC Mark Antony 38). *Worn, cleaned, with a banker's mark, otherwise nearly fine.*

\$100

Purchased from Guy Clark in 2001.

It is not clear if this legion was a continuance of Caesar's beloved 10th Legion that he took as his own favoured Legion above all others. It was later called Gemina and believed created in 59 B.C. Malter argues 'The legio X Gemina, previously a Caesarian legion, joined Antony's forces after being reformed by Lepidus. They served in the east before the battle of Actium'. See note above.



Mark Antony, (32-31 B.C.), silver denarius, mint moving with Mark Antony, (3.35 g), obv. praetorian galley to right with rowers etc., around traces of ANT AVG III VIR. R.P.C., rev. legionary eagle between two standards, LEG XXIII below, (cf.S.1479, Sear Imperators 383, Cr.544/39, Syd.1246, RSC Mark Antony 60). *Worn, cleaned, surface scratches, otherwise very good/fine.* \$100

Purchased from Caesars Coins in 2004.

This legion was an Antonian legion which was disbanded or lost its separate identity after Actium and its number was never used again. See note above.



4786*

Mark Antony, (42 B.C.), plated silver hybrid denarius (fouree) (2.47 g), obv. head of Mark Antony to right, around M ANTONIVS IMP III VIR RPC dotted border, rev. horseman with two horses galloping right holding whip in right hand, dotted border, (S.1469/1463, Sear Imperators 238/142, Cr.516/5/480/22). *Evidence of plating on both sides, a mule made from two different types, these of contemporay issues, some surface damage and slightly off centred, unpublished as a fouree hybrid issue, otherwise fine/very good and an extremely rare contemporary copy.*

\$150

Purchased from Toni Hristov in 2004.

Dr. Carr notes this as a very unusual fouree. The weight is low and the silver is reasonably intact. Were it not for the lower weight it could be regarded as a genuine hybrid. Hybrid and fourees are highly collectable as unofficial coinage of the time. The original owner states that this along with some other fourees he had collected were from hoards and believes them to be ancient contemporary forgeries. The reverse might not be Sear Imp 142 as Toni describes it as ROMA below like those of the republican period (eg see Terentia 1 in RSC) but it could be just as easily MACER such as Sear Imp 142 or S.110.



4787*

Mark Antony, Macedon, Thessalonica mint, an issue of Mark Antony and Octavian, AE 22, (7.38 g), [dated year 5 of the Antonian Era?], = (37 B.C.), obv. head of Agonothesia right, no E behind, to left $A\Gamma\Omega NO\Theta E\Sigma IA$, dotted border, rev. ANT/ KAI in two lines within wreath, dotted border, (S.-, Sear Imperators 673, RPC I 1552, SNG ANS 819-22, SNG Cop. 375). Very fine with dark brown patina and very scarce. \$250

Purchased from CNG eSale 82 (lot 33), February 4, 2004, with ticket.

Agonothesia is the personification of athletic games associated with festivals. This festival may have been tied to the victory at Philippi.



4788*

Mark Antony, Macedon, Thessalonica mint, an issue of Mark Antony and Octavian, AE 22, (10.22 g), [dated year 5 of the Antonian Era?], = (37 B.C.), obv. head of Agonothesia right, no E behind, to left and right around A $\Gamma\Omega$ NO Θ E Σ IA, rev. ANT/ KAI in two lines within wreath, (S.-, Sear Imperators 673 variant, RPC I 1552 variant, cf.SNG ANS 819-22, cf.SNG Cop.375). *Good fine with dark green patina and very rare variety*.

Purchased from Hermes Coins in 2004.

See note above.



4789*

Mark Antony and Octavia, (39 B.C.), silver cistophorus (Rhodian tetradrachm or three denarii), Ephesus mint, (11.72 g), obv. conjoined busts of Mark Antony and Octavia to right, [M.] ANTNOIVS IMP. COS. DESIG. ITER ET TERT around, rev. III. VIR R.P.C., Bacchus standing left on cista mystica on and between two interlaced serpents with erect heads, (S.1513, Syd.1198, C. Mark Antony and Octavia 3). *Large spread broad flan, some surface oxidation, otherwise good fine and scarce.*

\$600

\$150

Purchased from Harlan J. Berk Ltd., Chicago with ticket in 2004, Auction Sale 1001 (lot 148) with reference number 43080.

This coin was in both Harlan Berk's Mail Bid and Buy sale #1001 as well as listed on his V Coins page for \$675. It is currently an unrecorded letter reversal in the obverse legend. An interesting variety to have in any collection. The normal valuation of this type is interesting as Vagi has the coin being the more valuable of the two cistophoric types whereas Sear has the opposite valuation.



Lepidus and Octavian, (Spring - Summer 42 B.C.), silver denarius, Italian mint, (3.96 g), obv. bare head of Lepidus to right, around LEPIDVS PONT MAX III V R.P.C., rev. bare head of Octavian to right, around [CAES]AR IMP III VIR R P C, (S.1523, Cr.495/2C, RSC 2, Syd.1323). *Slightly off centred reverse, otherwise lightly toned, good very fine and rare.*

\$2,000

\$200

Purchased in 2003 from Richard Miller, previously from CNG Sale 54, 14 June 2000 (lot 1331) and previously from NAC Auction 15, 18 May, 1999 (lot 218).



4791*

Octavian, (42 B.C.), silver denarius (3.37 g), military mint traveling with Octavian in Greece, obv. helmeted and draped bust of Mars to right, spear behind, CAESAR behind, III VIR RPC, rev. legionary eagle surmounted by trophy between two standards, (S.1537, Cr.497/3, CRI 138, Syd.1320, RSC 248). *Fine, lightly toned, weakness in places, rare.*

Purchased in 2003.

Struck in Macedonia, Autumn 42 BC. A youthful aspect of Mars would seem to reflect a youthful Octavian who at this time was engaged in a battle at Philippi.



4792*

Augustus as Octavian, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, mint moving with Octavian in Italy, issued early 40 B.C. by Q. Salvius, (3.98 g), obv. bare head of Octavian to right around C CAESAR III VIR [R P C], rev. thunderbolt, around Q SALVIVS IMP COS DESIG, (S.1541, Sear Imperators 300, Cr.523/1, RSC 514, Syd.1326b, BMC Gaul 88). *Has an attractive even grey patina, good very fine, some weakness in places.*

\$500

Purchased from Amphora Coins in 2001.

The moneyer, Q. Salvidienus Rufus, a boyhood friend of Octavian, was made admiral in 42 B.C., and though defeated by Sextus Pompey, was later made Governor of Gaul, and designated to be Consul. Only months after this coin was struck, he betrayed Octavian, allying himself secretly with Mark Antony. This treachery resulted in his death, after the Senate declared him a public enemy.





4793*

Augustus, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, uncertain Western mint (Colonia Patricia or Nemausus), issued c.19-18 B.C. (3.77 g), obv. laureate head of Augustus to right, dotted border, rev. S P Q R on corners around a shield with CL V on shield between two laurel branches, CAESAR above and AVGVSTVS below, (S.1602, cf.RIC 52a, RSC 51, BMC 354). Well centred, lightly toned, extremely fine and very rare in this condition.

\$2,000

Purchased from Jaggards on 21 November 1994 for \$1275, previously from the Richard Williams Collection Noble Numismatics Sale 45 (lot 1788) who purchased it from Coin Galleries in 1981.

Historically this coin is extremely important. The centre of the reverse of this coin depicts the 'Shield of Courage' (CL. V = clupeus virtutis) which is a golden shield voted to Augustus in 27 BC and hung in the Senate. According to a marble copy from Arles, the inscription on it read: "The Senate and People of Rome gave to Commander Caesar Son of the God Caesar, when consul for the eight time, this shield for his courage, clemency, justice and righteousness towards the gods and the fatherland". Either side of the shield are laurel trees which by Senate decree he was allowed to have growing outside his door in honour of Apollo, the god whom he regarded as the patron of his victory at Actium. Above and below the abbreviated form of the emperor's new name, CAESAR AVGVSTVS.



4794*

Augustus, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, uncertain Spanish mint (Colonia Caesar Augusta), issued 19-18 B.C. (2.72 g), obv. laureate head of Augustus to right around CAESAR AVGVSTVS, rev. DIVVS IVL[IVS], across to left and right of eight ray comet with tail upwards, (cf.S.1607, RIC 37a, RSC 98, BMC 323). *Portrait extremely fine, rough field near the edges from corrosion, coin dull in patination, light weight and rare.*

\$250

Purchased from Walter Holt in 2002 with his ticket. This coin comes from a Roman galley found in the Adriatic c.1995 and the wreck it is believed was dated using this and one other coin.

The Julian star was the comet that appeared in the heavens shortly after the death of Julius Caesar in 44 B.C. It was taken as a sign of the late dictator's divinity. Scientific astronomical calculations have proved that a comet did in fact appear shortly after Caesar's death.



Augustus, in memorial of Julius Caesar, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, type of Rome mint, issued 17 B.C. by M. Sanquinius, (3.82 g), obv. bare head of Augustus to right, around AVGVSTVS DIVI F, rev. Julius Caesar laureate head to right, comet above showing four rays and tail, around M SANQVI NIVS III VIR, (S.1621, RIC 338, RSC 1 [Julius Caesar and Augustus], BMC 71). *Lightly toned, nearly very fine and very rare.*

\$1,000

Purchased from Clark Smith in 2001.

A comet appeared during the games given by Octavian in honor of Caesar in 44 BC and was interpreted as Caesar's soul entering heaven; hence a comet was placed above the head of his statues. The present coin was issued in connection with Augustus' Saecular Games the Ludi Saeculares, held in 17 B.C., the same reverse type also occurs with obverse Herald standing left, with a legend 'Augustus, Son of a God, (celebrated) Saecular Games'.



4796*

Augustus, in memorial of Julius Caesar, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, type of Rome mint, issued 17 B.C. by M. Sanquinius, (3.53 g), obv. around AVGVST DI VI F LVDOS SAE, herald of the Ludi Saeculares (Saecular Games) standing left, wearing long robe reaching to ankles and helmet with two long feathers, and holding winged caduceus upright in right hand and round shield, [ornamented with six-pointed star], rev.around M SANQVI NIVS III VIR, youthful laureate head of deified Julius Caesar right, above, a comet with four rays and a tail, (S.1622, RIC I 340, RSC Julius Caesar 6, BMCRE 70 = BMCRR Rome 4584, BN 273-276). *Fine or better, very rare.*

\$600

Purchased from Mike Smith in 2004.

The Ludi Saeculares or Secular Games had been celebrated in Rome since the 4th century B.C. The disturbed times did not permit them to be held in 46 B.C., and they were not reinstated by Augustus until 17 B.C., when the first coins marking the event were struck.

See note above.



4797*

Augustus, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius, Rome mint, issued c.19 B.C. by P.Petronius Turpilianus, (3.65 g), obv. bare head of Augustus to right around CAESAR AVGVSTVS, rev. TVRPILIANVS III VIR around, Tarpeia, long-haired facing half buried in shields with hands raised, (S.1639, RIC 299, RSC 494, BMC 29). *Minor surface marks, otherwise nearly very fine and very rare.*

\$300

Purchased from Jeff Phillips. The type refers to the Sabine origin of the Petronia gens. A temple of the divinites Liber, Libera and Ceres was vowed by the dictator Aulus Postumius in 495 B.C., after consulting the copy of the Sibylline books which Petronius Sabinus is said to have made. This temple was restored by Augustus.



4798*

Augustus, with Agrippa, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), silver denarius (3.41 g), Rome mint, issued by Cossus Cornelius Lentulus as moneyer, struck in 12 B.C., obv. around AVGVSTVS [COS XI], head of Augustus right, wearing oak wreath, rev. around traces of AGRIPPA COS TER COSSVS LENTVLVS, head of Agrippa right, wearing mural and rostral crown, (S.1727, RIC I 414, RSC 1 (Agrippa and Augustus-same dies), BMCRE 121 = BMCRR Rome 4671, BN 550, Jameson 26). *Rough surface, otherwise very good - fine and very rare.*

\$500

\$250

Purchased in 2002.

There is some dispute over the dating and purpose of this issue. Some see this as an issue by Augustus after the death of Agrippa (eg. see Sear) while others (eg. Kent & Hirmer, p.19; Foss p.52 #87b) view this as an issue struck by the moneyer Platorinus to reflect upon Augustus' growing concern as to who would succeed him. Agrippa was the 'anointed' one with the mural and rostral crown supposedly Agrippa's insignia of victory with Augustus at Actium. Agrippa died in this same year, 12 BC. Agrippa was married to Julia who was Augustus' only child.





Augustus, (27 B.C. - A.D. 14), AE dupondius or as, Nemausus mint, issued A.D. 10-14, (12.51 g), obv. laureate head of Agrippa to left and laureate head of Augustus to right, above IMP across P P, below DIVI F, dotted border, rev. COL NEM on either side of palm-shoot, chained crocodile to right below, wreath above, two palm branches below, (S.1731, RIC 159, RPC 525, Sear GIC 158). *Light brown patina with overall attractive appearance, nearly very fine and very scarce in this condition.*

Purchased from Ancient Imports in 2001.



Agrippa, (died 12 B.C.), posthumous issue struck by Caligula (A.D. 37-41), AE as, (10.93 g), obv. M AGRIPPA L F COS III, head to left wearing rostral crown, rev. S C, across, Neptune standing to left, holding dolphin and trident, (S.1812, RIC 58 (Caligula), C.3). Very dark patina from cleaning and conservation, with minor uneveness, otherwise good very fine and scarce in this condition.

\$250

Purchased from Old Roman Coins in 2001 with dealer's ticket.

This was struck after Agrippa's death by Caligula. Agrippa was the grandfather of Caligula. Agrippa was a lifelong friend and supporter of Octavian and a talented military strategist. He was the architect of victories over Sextus Pompey at Naulochus in 36 B.C., and over Mark Antony and Cleopatra at Actium five years later. He married Augustus' daughter Julia with whom he had three sons (Gaius, Lucius Caesar and Agrippa Postumus) and two daughters (Julia and Agrippina Senior). Through Agrippina the emperors Caligula and Nero were descended from him. He died from illness in 12 B.C. at the age of 51.

It has been written of Agrippa that 'he is the supreme example in history of a man of the first order whom loyalty constrained to take the second place'. Neptune, lord of the sea, was a moody and violent god. He was called the Earthshaker, for when he struck the ground with his trident, the earth trembled and split open. When he struck the sea, waves rose mountain high and the winds howled, wrecking ships and drowning those who lived on the shores. But when he was in a calm mood, he would stretch out his hand and still the sea and raise new lands out of the water.



4802*

Civil Wars, (A.D. 68-69), silver denarius (3.05 g), minted in Spain, obv. draped bust of Libertas to right around LIBERTAS RESTITVTA, rev. a round shield inscribed S P Q R, all within wreath, (S.2069, RIC II 27, RSC 431, Martin 91). *Nearly very fine, porous surface, very rare.*

\$800

Purchased from CNG Electronic Auction, No.157, January 31, 2007, (lot 327).

On April 2nd or 3rd A.D. 68, Galba was hailed imperator by Spanish legions at Carthago Nova. Refusing to accept the title, he acted as legatus of the Senate and Roman people. Galba was openly supportive of the revolt of Vindex who also had the support of the Arverni and Remi among other of the Gallic tribes. At Vesontio in May of that year, the rival armies of Verginius and Vindex clashed, resulting in the death of Vindex and the utter destruction of his army. Shaken at the failure of Vindex, Galba stated publicly that he would not attempt to seize the empire. In the middle of June, Galba was appointed princeps by the Senate upon the death of Nero. One of Galba's main motivations for supporting Vindex's revolt had been the role of the Senate in restoring constitutional freedom. Thus the reason for the Libertas Restituta type.



4801*

Agrippa, (died 12 B.C.), posthumous issue struck by Caligula (A.D. 37-41), AE as, (10.62 g), obv. M AGRIPPA L F COS III, head to left wearing rostral crown, rev. S C, across, Neptune standing to left, holding dolphin and trident, (S.1812, RIC 58 (Caligula), C.3). *Green find patination, with minor surface oxidation, otherwise good very fine and scarce in this condition.*

\$250

Purchased from Ancient Auction House in 2001.

This was struck by Caligula, the grandson of Agrippa.

See note above.





Civil Wars, (A.D. 68-69), silver denarius (2.76 g), Tarraco mint, struck under Galba in Spain, April-June A.D. 68, obv. trace of LIBERTAS, draped bust of Libertas to right, rev. traces of RESTITVTA below P R across, pileus (cap of liberty) between two daggers, (S.2071, RIC II 24, RSC 394, BMC 7, Martin 49/50 Plate 4). Very good, corroded and weak in places, extremely rare.

\$500

Purchased from Walter Holt in 2003; claimed to be the type coin on Wildwinds.

An extremely rare coin in any condition. Peter-Hugo Martin 1974 in his work on the anonymous coinage of 68 AD notes only 5 specimens. This coin harks back to the Brutus EID MAR piece, but is very much rarer, and relates to the restitution of Rome. See footnote above for reason of Libertas Restituta legend.