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Victorian silver prize badges for the City of Bristol Draughts Championship

£900

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Description

Set of three silver Victorian prize badges for the Draughts Championship of the City of Bristol in 1865. Not hallmarked. Two of the badges are identical in the form of shaped shields. Both have an engraved scrolled leaf and flower border on matted ground and at the base of each is engraved a stem of shamrocks, a rose and a thistle. Both have two lugs for attachment on the reverse. One of these badges is headed : MATCHES PLAYED AT THE GAME/ of Draughts/ For the CHAMPIONSHIP of the/ City of Bristol 1865. Below are listed the names of the contestants of two matches and the outcome. The second badge is engraved with the names of the contestants and the outcome of six more matches. Mr. Morgan was one of the two contestants in each match and he was the winner of all eight. The rectangular badge was obviously awarded to the champion. The badge has a raised silver border. In the centre is a realistic engraving of a draughts board. Above is engraved: THE CHAMPIONS BELT beneath two laurel leaf branches. Below the board is engraved the name of the winner: JOHN MORGAN, beneath two laurel leaf branches. There were four lugs on the reverse of this badge but one is now missing.

Research is currently being carried out into this Championship and will be available to the potential buyer.

Size:- 2 shield-shaped badges: 3.7 inches (9.4 g) at longest point x 3.4 inches (8.64 g) at widest point.

1 rectangular badge: 4.1 inches (10.4 g) long x 3.7 inches (9.4 g) wide

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