

Queen Anne silver medal - Union of England and Scotland, 1 May 1707

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Diameter: 1 cm (0.4")

Description

Queen Anne silver medal - Union of England and Scotland, 1 May, 1707. Executed in 1707 by John Croker. The very charming reverse was executed by Samuel Bull. Obverse: Bust of Queen Anne facing left, with hair tied up in a knot, lovelock on left shoulder and wearing a gown and mantle. Legend: ANNA . D : G : MAG : BR : FRA : ET. HIB : REG. below - I. C. for John Croker. Reverse: The arms of Britain in a garnished shield supported on a pedestal inscribed with the Queens motto, SEMPER EADEM (Always the same). Two infant genii support a crown above the arms and suspend the collar and George of the Garter below the arms. Beneath, a rose and a thistle upon one stalk and the initials S. B. for Samuel Bull. See Medallic Illustrations of Great Britain and Ireland vol.II, p.296, no.111.

John (Johann) Croker, born in Dresden on 21 October, 1670. Came to England in 1691, appointed Assistant Engraver to the Mint in 1697 and Chief Engraver upon the death of Harris in 1705. Died 21 March, 1741. Samuel Bull was one of the engravers at the English Mint during the reigns of Queen Ann and George I.