

Ray Best



A Catalogue of Presents
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English Hallmarked Silver



1. A pair of silver sauce boats on cast shell feet with an applied gadrooned rim by Aldie Brothers of Birmingham 1939.

6.5 inches long
£290.00



2. A pair of Victorian silver pierced oval salts with bright cut engraving and ball and claw feet. Initialed and with blue glass liners by Thomas Hayes of Birmingham 1895.

3.1 inches long
£185.00



3. An Edwardian silver pierced oval mustard pot with bright cut engraving a shell thumb piece and a blue glass liner. Chester 1901.

4.5 ins long
£150.00



4. A Victorian silver hip flask of curved form with a twist-hinged cover by James Deakin & Sons, Sheffield 1896.

4 inches wide
£145.00



5. A George V silver rattle with mother-of-pearl teether and ivorine ring and two bells. Birmingham 1920.

5.5 inches overall
£125.00



6. **Top:** A silver cigar cutter with engine-turned decoration and ring end. Birmingham 1960.

2.5 inches long
£40.00

Bottom: A silver cigar piercer. Initialed with sliding blade. Birmingham 1991.

2 inches long
£30.00



7. A small silver specimen vase. Birmingham 1978

4.5 ins high
£30.00

A small George V silver mirror with striped pattern. Birmingham 1921.

2.5 ins long.
£20.00



8. **Top:** An Edwardian embossed silver-handled nail file – London 1907.

5 inches long
£15.00

Bottom: A pair of Edwardian embossed silver-handled nail file and tweezers. Birmingham 1905.

Each 4.5 inches long
£20.00



9. A pair of silver napkin rings with bark decoration. Sheffield 1972.

1.2 ins high
£45.00



10. A fine pair of Victorian silver fish servers with ivory handles in their original gilt mounted leather case. The knife showing a fisherman with his gillie catching a salmon, and nature's fisherman – a heron stood in a river. The maker is the most famous 19th. century knifemaker, Joseph Rodgers, King of Knifemakers and Knifemaker to the King, Sheffield 1865 (full history of the firm on request).

Case 16 ins × 5ins
£ 375.00



11. Three silver decanter labels, Whisky, Rum & Sherry.

Sheffield 1982
£60.00



12. Two silver Sherry labels

Top: Birmingham 1960.

£25.00

Bottom: London 1929.

£25.00



13. Pair George III silver pierced oval salts, initialled with the original 18th. century star-cut blue glass liners. London 1792 by Henry Sardet.

3.5 ins long

£185.00



14. A George III silver cream jug of rounded oblong form on ball feet with engraved decoration & reeded borders, probably by Alice & George Burrows. London 1808.

3.5ins high

£190.00



15. Magnificent silver top Claret Jug with a dome lid and a finely cut glass body. The knob, spout and handle all decorated with grapes and vines. Birmingham 1973. The glass engraved Thos. Webb. England.

12.5 ins high × 5.25 ins across the base.
£ 375.00



16. Victorian silver sugar sifter ladle of thread and bead pattern. London 1878 by Francis Higgins a specialist spoon maker.

6.75 ins long
£ 65.00

Old Sheffield Plate



17. A rare George IV sauce tureen and lid. The ribbed body with scroll and leaf mounts and standing on foliate claw feet. The lid with double scroll handle and silver wire edge. Circa 1825.

7 ins high, 8 ins across.

£195.00



18. A fine William IV double sided inkstand with twin yellow glass ink and pounce pots and a wafer box with a taperstick and extinguisher as its lid. The rectangular form with foliate scroll borders, twin handles and scroll feet. Circa 1830.

13 ins long, 7.5 ins wide & 3.5 ins high.
(One bottled with chipped corner.)

£160.00



19. A rare George III baluster ale mug with scroll handle and heart shaped tail. Simulated hall marks (they were only used until 1773) with inset wooden base. Circa 1770.

2.25ins high

£55.00



20. A George III wire frame toast rack by Roberts, Cadman & Co (bell mark) Circa 1790.

6 ins long × 5.5 ins high
£45.00



21. A George III pepper pot of rectangular form with pull off pierced cover with a double rose mark. Circa 1800.

5 ins high.
£40.00

Plated Wares



22. A pair of Victorian silver on copper wine coasters with grape and vine borders and turned wood bases & inset bosses. Circa 1870.

6ins dia.
£80.00



23. A handsome Victorian silver on copper champagne oaster with trailing leaf and flower border, with turned wood base. Circa 1860.

5.5ins. high.
£80.00



24. A Victorian silver plated wine funnel, circular form with reeded border and side clip. Transitional period, German silver used in place of copper. Circa 1850.

4 ins long.
£90.00



25. **Top:** A pair of silver plated grape sissors with grape & vine decoration. Circa 1900.

6.5 ins long.
£45.00

Bottom: A pair of Victorian close-plated (silver on steel) grape sissors engraved with trailing leaf decoration. Circa 1870.

6.5 ins long
£45.00



26. Silver plated cigar cutter in the form of a race horse's head with reins and a bit.

5.7ins long.
£40.00



27. A Victorian silver plated pitcher of circular form for water or wine with half fluted body and pedestal foot – with an ebony handle and knob. Circa 1880.

9.5 inches high
£50.00



28. **Top:** An Edwardian silver plated crumb scoop, with reeded handle by Elkington Circa 1910.

13ins.
£20.00

Bottom: Two late Victorian silver plated serving forks. One chased with a ivorine handle and one with a scrolling leaf motif.

9ins. long.
£20.00 each



29. An Edwardian silver plated hot water jug with a ebony handle and knob. Circa 1910.

8ins.
£30.00



30. A silver plated pepper grinder.

4 ins high.
£45.00

Glass



31. An early 19th century cut-glass preserve pot and cover, wrythen cut on a stepped base. The lid with a diamond finial has an aperture for a spoon. Circa 1830.

8.75 inches high.

£120.00



32. An early 19th century cut glass double ring decanter with panel cut shoulders and a diamond cut band with cut mushroom stopper. Circa 1820.

8ins high

£40.00



33. Glasses – a selection of 19th century English drinking glasses.

Top shelf: rummers
£18/£20/£18

Second shelf: rummers
£22 each

Third shelf: rummers
left to right £45 the pair, £17 and £20

Bottom shelf: liqueur glasses -
£20 the pair, £30 for 4, £20 the pair.

Early 19th Century Staffordshire Figures

1810–1825 some restoration and losses.



34. A standing figure of a Deer with a full set of antlers.

6ins × 9ins high

£90



35. A standing figure of a Deer with a small bocage.

5,5ins × 6,5ins high

£90



36. A recumbent figure of a Deer of pale colour.

6ins × 5ins high
£60



37. An unusual small figure of a recumbent Deer.

3.5ins × 4ins high
£45



38. A pair of figures of recumbent Deer with bocage missing.

5.5ins x 5.5ins high
£85



39. An unusual pair of standing Deer with bocage and a stream.

4ins x 5.5ins high
£85



40. A square base figure of The Tambourine player.

10 ins high
£125

Please enquire of restoration on individual figures.

Miscellanea



41. Pair of 'Patent Ironstone China Warranted' Plates with Pair of 'Patent Ironstone China Warranted' Plates with exotic bird pattern probably Masons. Circa 1830.

10 inch diameter
£40.00



42. A Burgess & Leigh sauce tureen and lid with stand and ladle, 1906 – 1924.

5.5 ins high × 8 ins across
£40.00



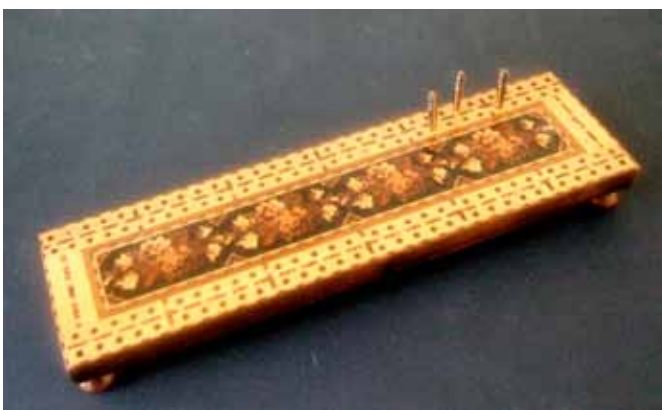
43. A good 19th century Lignum Vitae string box with a screw lid and a steel string cutter.

7.5 inches high
£150.00



44. A carved and pierced Coquilla nut pomander that unscrews at the centre.

2.5 ins long
£45.00



45. A Tumbridgeware cribbage board retaining three original inlaid marker pegs with a swivel compartment under to hold them. On four turned feet.

3 ins wide × 10 ins long
£110.00



46. A brown leather box with hinged lid by A. Battagli-Firenze

4.5 ins × 3.5 ins × 1.5 ins deep.
£25.00

A black oval leather box with silver cartouche, London 1973.

4.75 ins × 3.5 ins × 1.75 ins deep.
£25.00



47. Three Little Pigs.

Left: a miniature brass vesta case in the form of a pig. Known as “The go to bed pig”. When your only light to see you to bed was an oil-lamp this was too dangerous to have beside the bed. So you put your oil-lamp on the chest on the other side of the room and lit the taper, which fitted in the pigs nose. You could then turn out the lamp and the little pig would see you to bed. The pigs head hinges to hold matches and they strike on the base. Circa 1860.

£50.00

Middle: a miniature brass pig pin-cushion with a black padded back. 2 inches long. Circa 1860

£40.00

Right: a brass pig pepper pot with copper ears – holes in the head and a tail that unscrews for filling.

2.75 inches long

£35.00



48. A pair of late Victorian brass diamond and beehive candlesticks stamped England Rd 223580.

14ins. high
£55.00



49. A French gilt spelter figural table lamp of a young boy supporting a frosted glass flame shade. Signed Rdo Aurili, on a turned wood plinth tilted "Hesitation".

24 ins high
£150.00



50. A set of Victorian figured rosewood hanging wall shelves on three tiers with barley twist supports. Circa 1860.

21 ins high × 23.5 ins long × 6 ins deep.
£110.00



51. A set of early 19th. cent. style mahogany hanging wall shelves with fret pieced sides and a drawer to base. Very good quality, but not old.

16 ins. wide, 6.5 ins. deep & 34.5 ins. high.
£325.00



52. A 19th cent terracotta garden figure of Autumn. a child holding a sheaf of wheat. Now in two halves and standing on a plinth.

36 ins high overall.

£225.00

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