Lockdales' Auction #252 Report:

Weapons, Medals & Militaria: 23-24 January 2024

Total prices realised: £142,353 (incl. prem.)

On Day 1, Tues. 23^{rd} Jan in the Weapons section we saw great interest in Japanese swords and fittings, with one frame in particular making £1200 (top est. £120). A 1917 Luger sold for £900, and a Webley MkVI £800. It was a strong section in general. This was followed by German militaria, where we saw a group of fragments from the Reichs Chancellery and Bunker in at £80-£85 sell for £500. An officer's tunic made £3600, and Pickelhaubes were sold up to £580.

On Day 2 we offered the main Medals & Militaria section and there were many star prices. An Australian Camel Corps bronze badge made £270. Boer War interest civilian badges brought surprising results. A Waterloo ear officer's gorget in at £500 top made £1100, and a Boulton's white metal Trafalgar medal (named) achieved £1250. There were many speculative WWI medals, pairs and trios that sold well-above estimate. A Royal Parks Coronation medal 1911 went for more than double est. at £1250. Of particular interest – a modern group, lot 854: OSM 2000 Sierra Leone, CSM N.I. and Iraq 2004 +Mar-Apr clasp reached £1800. Also at £1800 a Hong Kong Plague 1894 medal was sold. Several MGS and NGS were sold, with prices up to £2400 for the Peninsular War to Neil Howett.

Our next Weapons, Medals & Militaria Sale takes place 26-27 March, with consignment currently available until 23rd February. We look forward to hearing from you.



Lot 62: Japanese Sword frame, Wooden Blade, total length 42". Est. £100 - £120. Hammer £1200



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