

Lockdales' Auction #250 Report:

Paper Collectables: 5-6 December 2023

Total prices realised: £132,572 (incl. prem.)

Many bulk stamp collections sold well-above estimate – with sorting stamps being a good winter pursuit – seeing prices up to £1000 and £1900 for British collections. A Canadian album made £650. A group of Malaya/Straits on stockcards in at £120 made £1100. In the postcards the highest prices for individuals and small groups were £580 for the two Metz 'flames', £520 for the Irish International Exhibition souvenirs, £400 for a Titanic card by Stevens, and £420 for the Franco British Expo 1908. The Cigarette-Card sections brought prices up to £3400 for individual sets (Cope's Golfers), and £420 for single cards (Taddy Clowns). The strength above all among the cigarette and trade cards was in the sporting personalities: Golfing, Boxing and Football sets and type cards featuring famous figures. For example, a group of just 5 odds featuring Bobby Jones, in at £60 top, went for £580! American cards overall were well sought-after. In the closing section, Books & Ephemera, we saw interest most of all in early Japanese and Chinese photo essays. A book of 24 photographs of Japan c.1880 made £900 (top est £80).

Our next auction of Paper Collectables is scheduled for 13-14 February, consignment open until the new year. We look forward to many more successful sales in 2024!



Lot 596: Cope's Golfers, complete set, mainly VG or better. Est. £3000 - £3500. Hammer £3400