

## Lockdales' Online Auction #195 Report: The Fine Sale, 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Total sales: £141,420

947 lots offered, with a high sales success rate.

We began with a section of banking memorabilia which saw some early money boxes and brass signs sold. A caricature print of banker Samuel Gurney 1824 by Richard Dighton (est. just £15 to £20) sold for £195.

The British, Irish, and Crown island notes sold strongly across all sections. The highest price of the sale was £2430 all in for a Plymouth branch 'White Fiver' 1920 in VF+. Even a German 'Bernhard' forgery of a Catterns £50 reached £380 hammer against an estimate of £80-£120.

World notes saw increased interest in Eastern European material such as lot 514: Four early 20thC notes of Bulgaria which fetched a hammer price of £460 (est. £120-£150). Collections of German Notgeld brought some surprising results. India and Malaysia remain strong. The highest interest on the second day was in the bulk collections of World notes, since there are many online sellers looking for stock during lockdown.

Overall this was a pleasing result, and it bodes well for our next Banknote Sale on 8-9 May. This will feature the Cooper Collection of English Banknotes and will attract a lot of attention so it's the ideal time to consign (before 31 March).

Forthcoming auctions include Coins, Medals & Militaria on 27-28 March; Paper Collectables on 21 April; The Banknote Sale on 8-9 May; Coins, Medals & Militaria on 15-16 May, and our 200<sup>th</sup> Auction: The Fine Sale on 2-3 June. Consignments welcome for forthcoming sales of all types. We encourage sellers to make use of the very high demand for collectables at this time.



Lot 171, a Plymouth branch 'White Fiver' 1920 in VF+ sold for £2430