

Lockdales' Auction #209 Report: The Fine Sale: 8-9 December 2021

Total prices realised: £227,073 (including premium), bringing our total sales to £4,696,331 in our auctions this year!

This final sale of the year began with a large section of Jewellery items, which were keenly sought-after in the lead up to Christmas. Antique jewellery in particular exceeded estimates, such as a multi-coloured stone set gold bracelet, lot 208, with original case, achieving £2800 hammer against a top estimate of £800. Lot 286, which included a brooch set with cameos, sold for £1500 (est. £150); therefore possibly ancient. Following the Jewellery we offered the Silver & Plated Wares, ending the first day. A Victorian plated centre-piece with glass trays, lot 448, est. at £150 to £200, sold for £910 hammer.

On the second day we began with Wristwatches. Vintage and luxury watches are always extremely popular. A gents steel Rolex Air-King went for £3600, and a WWII Luftwaffe watch by Laco (without strap) made £2400. Two chronographs by Orfina and Turler, in need of restoration, made £800 (top est £80!). Following this the Pocket Watches were also popular, especially heavy gold cased ones such as lot 592 by Waltham, hammer £1600.

The Picture section included several sleeper lots, for example 699, a watercolour of a lady in a red dress by M. Joyce, which sold for £700 (top est £130), and 711, a still life of a fish on platter by local artist Colin Moss, which sold for £600 (top £250). The rest of the auction featured miscellaneous antiques and collectables including pens, with Montblancs selling for up to £560, and an African club, lot 889, reaching £1000 against an estimate of just £40 to £60.

It's been a successful year for us, with a strong market for antiques, collectables and portable valuables prevailing. We look forward to your participation in our auctions in 2022.



Lot 889, an African wooden club which sold for £1000 hammer.