

Collecting - A part of a collection started in the 1920s or before. (perhaps 1914 to 1951)

A strange set of circumstances, really quite unusual, resulted in a collector from the 1920s who died in 1951 leaving part of his collection and the papers relating to it to a daughter who lived into her 90s and died not long ago. The person to whom these pieces passed also got with them some of the papers from the original collector.

Hence there were old pewter pieces and provenance from the 1920s. Considering that every 30 years or so such collections usually are broken up at auction, and the papers more often than not go missing, then this is a fairly unusual opportunity to see how an early collection was formed.

This article shows the pieces that were eventually sold as one lot to our writer. They have been listed with details taken from the documents with the collection.

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These documents include purchase invoices, letters and offers to sell from and to -

- Ian Anderson Antiques of 12 Randolph Place Queensferry Street, Edinburgh 3 in.....1935 and 1937
- A. S. Brass of 43 George Street, Edinburgh.....1924
- Malcolm Cameron of 185 Mansfield Road, Nottingham.....1951
- Christie Manson & Woods Ltd of Stratford Place, London W1.....1943
- Aitken Mackenzie and Clapperton of 2 West Regent Street, Glasgow.....1935
- The Collectors Shoppe of 159, west Nile Street, Glasgow C1.....1937
- A Fynde (F Bevan) 16 Park Road, Regents Park, London NW1..... 1924.1925.1926.
- The Old Pewter Shop (Charles Casimir) 49 George St, Baker St, London W1.....1935.1936
- H & A Kimbell 182 Aldersgate Street, London EC1.....1934
- Alfred Megson, 16 Montpelier Parade, Harrogate.....1925 (a letter concerning repairs especially done)
- Geo Findlay, 16 sandyford Place, Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow C1.....1936