

Bruun, Lars Emil

(1852-1923)



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Biographical and Other Notes

A Danish businessman (butter wholesaler) and coin collector, who built up a collection of some 10,000 English and Scandinavian coins and medals. His Scandinavian coins and his coins of the Viking kingdom of Northumbria were given to the Royal Coin Cabinet in Copenhagen, but the bulk of his Anglo-Saxon, English etc coins were sold in 965 lots Sotheby on 18-22 May 1925. Collection of Cnut pennies is in SCBI Copenhagen.

Only the Northumbrian coins were given directly to the Royal coin cabinet, the Danish part of the collection was left to be held as a reserve for the Royal collection in case of theft or damage by fire, to be held for 100 years. It was housed in Frederiksborg Castle until 2011 and is now in the National Bank, Copenhagen.

Contributors to British Numismatics

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Thanks to Bente Withers for the update on the current whereabouts of the collection.

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