

Brand, Virgil Michael

(1862-1926)



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Biographical and Other Notes

An American businessman (family owned the Brand Brewery in Chicago) and collector, who amassed a collection of 350,000 coins from 1889, covering ancient to modern issues, coins, tokens and medals. On his death, no one could be found to buy the whole collection and it was split between his two surviving brothers. 1831 proof maundy set in gold was split 4d+1d and 2d+3d! Various sales from the 1930s to 1980s, both to the trade and through auction.

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