

Snelling, Thomas

(1712-1773)



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Ag, 39 mm, BHM 180 © BM M.4792

Biographical and Other Notes

Lawyer, antiquary, and collector. Trustee of the BM 1766. First collection sold to William Hunter in 1766 for £8000. Later collection and duplicates sold by John Gerrard in 1785. Several pioneering books on coins, medals and tokens, including the first attempt at a country-wide catalogue of 17th C tokens.

His silver coins went to Samuel Tyssen and his remaining stock was auctioned in 1774.

Sources and References

HEM Encyclopædia 1 – Auction.

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