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New Members

A warm welcome to our newest members:

613	Steven Pozzi	Fernandina Beach, FL
612	Brian Herriott	Blue Ash, OH

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE February 2018

To all my friends in the CTCC----

Today I want to cover the last London auctions, as this last fall we had a pair of really interesting ones. The first was the fifth, actually, Baldwin Basement sale on 4 October 2017. It is amazing how the quality, though a bit lesser than the first two or three auctions, is still up there. Group lots, with each in the group being a nice UNC, was not impossible. There are more Baldwin of St. James auctions coming, and you would be smart to look at them. I bought some great items in October. There will be another sale, believe it is in June, and a further one in October 2018--- takes some time to inspect them but you will find good material in these sales.

The Surprise of the fall season was the DNW auction, and I do not think that I am wrong when I say that Peter Preston-Morley was just as surprised as we were. They planned the auction for October 3----but cancelled it and moved it to November 8th. At first, I was unhappy as I was in London on 3 October, but was not going to wait a month to attend the auction. However, I did get to DNW to preview the sale-----and found one of the most amazing sales ever!! The tokens in this sale belonged to a family whose father attended the Gantz sale , a three or four day affair, in 1941 at Glendinings. One has to picture this sale, during WWII, with the bombing of London being a recent happening. The tokens, around 3000 of them, had belonged to Reverend

Gantz,(1873-1940) who collected them apparently from the mid 1890's to 1936 or so. Gantz, whom in the 25 years I have been playing in this game, was a collector with a wonderful eye for rarity and condition, and I had never heard his name!! The DNW consignee was a son of the Gentleman that had gone to the auctions over the three days in 1941. This Gentleman had a fantastic eye for the better material and bought a fair amount of it. When I looked at the tokens I could not believe all the rarities, 6 struck, 8 struck, 4 struck, gem UNC upon gem UNC, things that one hardly ever sees and in superb condition!! And, they had been put away for 77 years!! The condition told us they had been cared for since new.

Of course I bid, did so on line, but having viewed them, I had a fine perspective of what they were. The catalogue was one for the ages, and to my view quite understated the importance of this sale. You should have this catalogue!!

It only goes to show that we should keep our eyes open for opportunity. We have no way of knowing what is next, so as collectors, we can know that even better things may await.--- The fantastic material seen at the DNW and Baldwin sales over the last few years lets us all know that we have not seen it all----

My wish for you all is health and to enjoy our fine hobby, there is nothing else like it.

Stay well, enjoy the Journal, and happy collecting!! Bill McKivor

All the best, Bill McKivor



MEET AND GREET AT CENTRAL STATES SHOW

I'd like to invite any Conder token collectors who are planning to attend the Central States show (April 25-28) to an informal meet & greet during the Convention. Maybe we could share stories or throw in a show and tell. I've met a few collectors online that live in the Chicago or Midwest area and thought it would be fun to put a face with the name. If anyone is interested in meeting up over a meal or drinks please contact me and we can make those arrangements.

Thank you - Doris Black (dblack616@comcast.net)