

# Edmonton Numismatic Society

June 2001

Volume 48 Issue 6



**DATE:** Wed., June 13, 2001 **TIME:** 7:00 p.m. Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** THE PROVINCIAL MUSEUM OF ALBERTA, 12845 -102 Ave.  
(Use Archives Entrance, Room P138)

**PROGRAM:** Slide Show on Hobo Nickels, Show & Tell

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### JUNE MEETING AGENDA

June's meeting will be our last before the Bar-b-que, and the summer break. We will have a slide presentation on "Hobo Nickels", presented by Dan Gosling. The slide set was lent to us from Bill Favaz, a member of the ANA. Members are encouraged to bring items to show & tell. Advance tickets will be available for the November show, to sell over the summer.

### MAY MEETING MINUTES

Thirty-one (31) members and guests once again attended the May meeting. Dan welcomed everyone in attendance. A report on Joe's condition was given to the members, who all wished him well. Dan reminded everyone about the June 24th Bar-B-Que at David Peters. (see enclosed poster) The meeting was kicked off with show & tell, and Maurice Doll brought in a rare 1938 2 1/2 Dutch Guilder with deep hair lines, and reviewed the history with the members. Dan showed the members a Paper Money Graph report he prepared showing the Charlton paper money price trends. Ray N. brought in some more counterfeits he

### RSVP TO TERRY FOR JUNE BAR-B-QUE

### NOVEMBER SHOW ADVANCE TICKETS AVAILABLE

### JOE BARDY IS HOME RECOUPERATING

obtained recently, which were a Bolivian 1830 4 soles. Lub W. indicated a short issue of sheets of \$10 notes will be available on April 27 for purchase.

Next, our first of 2 guest speakers, Lub W. gave a great presentation on the \$2 Bird Series. He gave a great handout indicating the major varieties and combinations of the bird series from 1986 to 2001. He also recounted a great story about Sheldon Carol who found the Specimen Sets which were recently auctioned off. He found them in the Parliament buildings and requested they be sent to the Bank

of Canada. He also noted there are a lot of varieties in the new 10's. Chris Hale was our next speaker, who recounted his collecting career through the history of various coins he has found or been given since 1950. This was a very interesting way to describe his travels around the world and his collecting interests, and was very enjoyable. 6 door prizes were then drawn for. Thanks were given to Eldon Kuss who donated an entire set of 1994 Numismatists for the draw.

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## PAST PRESIDENT JOE BARDY AT HOME

I'm happy to report Joe is now at home recuperating after his stay in the hospital. He is staying at his daughters, and will be relocating soon to the Whyte Avenue area. It will be hard for him to get around as he will no longer be able to drive, and I'm sure he would appreciate members meeting him for coffee etc. in the near future. We'll keep you posted.

## CLUB NEWS

Just some short notes about what other clubs have been doing at their club meetings and shows.

**North Shore Numismatic Society** - May saw a donation auction and member show and tell. They are preparing for the CNA in 2002, and are sending a contingent to Quebec City this year to promote the next years convention. They have been given a table at the show to hand out info and entice members to go. They will be having Mall Promotions leading up to their September 8 & 9 Coin Fair.

**Manitoba Coin Club**-May will see a different Show & Tell format. Members brought in good buys and bad buys to discuss with the others. They are planning the CNA Numismatic Seminar series as well this fall and are trying to get 25 participants to attend.

**Calgary Numismatic Society** - May's topic will be on "Propaganda of Celtic Coins". Michelle Mann, an undergraduate at the U of C gave a presentation on how they utilized propaganda material similar to Roman Coinage. The May newsletter contained Part II of an article written by Geraldine Chimiri-Russell on Women and Their Faith. Show and Tell was also presented by the members. June will see a fun auction as well. It was noted 11 members and 2 guests attended the meeting in April.

**Ingersoll Coin Club** - May's meeting will see Hurbert Grimminck present his Can. Tire Trade Dollar

collection. Hurbert had a display at the Edmonton CNA convention as well. There will be an auction, draws and Show and Tell as well. There were 17 members attending the April meeting. Past President, Thomas Masters, who has corresponded with Edmonton for years, has become a Fellow in the O.N.A. He is already a Fellow in the CNA.

## ENS FALL SHOW NOV. 10 & 11, 2001

Only 1 table is available at the Fall show. I have two possible dealers vying for the table. Advance tickets for the show will be available at the June meeting for members to sell throughout the summer. Due to the expected inventory, we will be providing additional security overnight Saturday. Advertising has been placed in the CCN, starting with the May/June issue. Members are encouraged to tell their friends and family about the fall show. For more info, see the poster at the back of this newsletter.

## 1921 HALF TO SELL AT TOREX

A 1921 50 Cent piece, graded PCGS MS-64 will be sold at the June 15- 16 Torex auction, conducted by Moore Numismatics. The coin is described as having vibrant original lustre with light traces of gold and rainbow toning and well struck. It is believed to be one of the 3 or 4 finest known surviving business strikes. One hasn't been offered at auction in Canada for over a decade. Over 1200 certified decimal coins, 500 lots of Canadian Banknoters and 400 lots of Breton tokens, world coins, medals and banknotes highlight the 2 day sale. There will also be an additional 1400 Canadian, Newfoundland coins, tokens and banknotes from 45 collections, 80 lots of which are equal to or greater than the Norweb or Pittman auctions held previously. Looks like a great auction and anyone wishing a catalogue can get one by contacting Moore Auctions by phone at: 925-946-0150, Fax: 925-930-7710, or by e-mail at: [morecoins@aol.com](mailto:morecoins@aol.com)

## COMING EVENTS

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| June 7       | ENS Executive meeting  |
| June 10      | Brantford Ont., 41st Annual Show, Woodman Community Centre, Brantford  |
| June 16 & 17 | Torex Show & Auction, Primrose Hotel, Toronto, \$5 Admission, Website: <a href="http://www.torex.net">http://www.torex.net</a> |
| July 26 -29  | CNA Annual Convention, Quebec City Congress Centre, Website: <a href="http://www.sng.qc.ca/2001">http://www.sng.qc.ca/2001</a> |
| Aug. 19      | Burnaby, B.C., Coin & Memorabilia Show, Bonsor Rec. Complex, Info call Verne 604-521-6304                                      |
| Sept. 16     | New Westminster, B.C., Royal City Stamp & Coin Fair, Royal Towers Hotel  |
| Nov. 4       | Guelph Ont., School Coin Club Show, Col. John McCrea Legion, Info-Don Robb, 519-888-9655                                       |
| Nov. 10 & 11 | ENS Coin & Stamp Show, Coast Terrace Inn, Edm., Level P1, Imperial Ballroom, Draws   |
| Nov. 16 - 18 | Oakville, Ont., The International Coin Fair, Ramada Inn & Conv. Centre. Info Paul Fiocca                                       |

# Cartwheels, By George

by Earl R. Baumgardner



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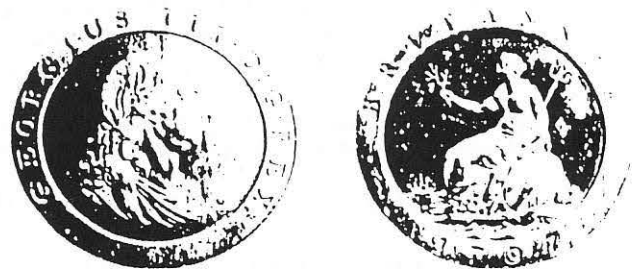
coins minted for him in the earlier part of his reign, from 1770 through 1775. These were never favorably accepted, and most were melted to make a thinner counterfeit half penny.

In 1672 the figure of Britannia was introduced to English coinage on the copper coins. Britannia was seated left, holding an olive branch in her right hand, and on her left arm rested a spear with a shield at her side. This design remained on the two coins until 1797 when, to combat counterfeiting and the use of tradesmens tokens, Matthew Boulton, an engineer, suggested the use of coins of intrinsic value. Boulton advised a change in the farthing and half penny and coinage of a copper penny and twopence. The penny had been made of silver. To save the coin design from undue wear, he suggested a broad, raised rim with incuse inscriptions. The farthing and half penny, however, were not coined until 1799, the farthing being the first English coin to carry the denomination.

Boulton also had suggested use of a steam powered press and a retaining collar to make a more uniform piece. Conrad H. Luchler, a Flemish diecutter, engraved the design for the coins, and on June 9, 1797, the government signed a contract with Boulton for the coining of 20 tons of twopence and 480 tons of pennies. Each penny was to weigh one ounce and each twopence was to weigh two pounces, making them as near as possible to their intrinsic value. Each bore the mint mark SOHO. A change in the reverse design was made, with Britannia still facing left and holding in her right hand the olive branch, but the spear on her left arm was replaced with a trident, the first time it appeared on a coin. Again for the first time, waves were indicated before Britannia, and to her right was a three masted sailing ship.

Because of the weight and size, the penny and twopence were soon to be known as "Cartwheels". More than 6000 worth of twopence were coined in 1797 and 1798, all of them dated 1797. A total of 310,885 worth of pennies were coined at the Soho mint from 1797 till 1808, with a slight change in design in 1806. Weight and size made the "cartwheel" penny and twopence of 1797 very inconvenient, and they were not long in circulation. This was the only copper twopence in the British series, a small silver piece being used in the Maundy sets.

With minor changes, Britannia remained on the farthing and half penny until 1937--when it was replaced with the wren and the sailing



The "Cartwheel" Penny of 1797

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## LEADER POST ARTICLE

Every now and again the Leader Post publishes an article of interest to numismatists. Such an article appeared in the November 27th edition, page D7, syndicated from the Associated Press. For the benefit of members who did not notice the article when it appeared, it is reproduced here.



Associated Press

This is a front and back view of an 1866 \$20 certificate, now in the possession of the Littleton Coin Co., in Littleton, N.H. The certificate was discovered this fall when its owner, a man who lives in the Connecticut River Valley of New Hampshire

and Vermont, tried to determine the value of old money passed down through his family. The owner, who wants to remain anonymous, learned he was holding a treasure with an estimated worth of \$250,000.

(Reprinted from the Regina Coin Club Newsletter)

### 1CARTWHEELS, BY GEORGE (Cont'd)

ship--and on the penny until, with introduction of decimal coinage, she rose in rank to the 50 cent piece. The appearance of the trident in Britannia's design in 1797, along with the three masted sailing ship and the waves, is symbolic of the old English motto, "Britannia rules the waves".

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Women and their Faith, Part II  
By Geraldine Chimirri-Russell

In Britain, Elizabeth II retains and uses the title of Defender of the Faith, FID[ei] DEF[ensor], bestowed on her ancestor, Henry VIII by Pope Leo X ( October 11, 1521). This was a reward for his learned pamphlet in which he had proclaimed a profound devotion to the papacy. When Henry broke with the papacy, he was deprived of the title by Pope Paul III, but it was restored to the king by Parliament in 1544. The abbreviation Fid. Def. or the letters F.D. have appeared regularly on the coinage of British monarchs since George I.



Bimetallic two pound coin, Great Britain, 1998.  
Actual size 28 mm.

In Britain the struggle between Catholicism and Protestantism seemed to be focused at times when there were queens on the throne. The establishment of a Reformed Church began with Henry VIII. His son Edward was raised as a Protestant. The sickly youth inherited the throne from his father and was persuaded to nominate his Protestant cousin Jane as his heir. There were no coins issued during her nine day reign.

Mary, the eldest daughter of Henry VIII, seized the throne from her cousin and immediately made efforts to bring her realm back to the Catholic Church. Although she initially showed toleration for the reformers, she became increasingly harsh and began a series of persecutions. The pace of change increased with her marriage to the most Catholic Spanish King, Philip II. Although the English would not officially allow Philip the title of King of England, coins show the queen facing her husband as equals and cited in Latin as King and Queen of England. There were many of her subjects who resented Philip's influence over her and her efforts to link England strongly to the Catholic countries of Europe. These factors and her programme of religious persecution made Mary a very unpopular monarch. She earned the epithet, Bloody Mary.



Silver shilling of Mary I, 1555.  
Actual size 30 mm.



Silver sixpence of Elizabeth I, 1562  
Actual size, 24.5 mm.

On Mary's death the throne passed to her sister Elizabeth. Elizabeth had been raised as a Protestant and her life had been in danger during her sister's reign. She survived the religious persecutions and steadily brought the realm back to the Protestant faith with herself as the Head of the Church.

Religious persecution continued to some extent during her reign, but now those who adhered to the Catholic faith were at risk.

Religious questions related to the monarch continued during the reign of the Stuarts. James II, although an avowed Catholic, married a Protestant, Ann Hyde, by whom he had two daughters. His second wife, Mary of Modena, was a Catholic, and when his son James was born it seemed likely that James II would make efforts to reinstate Catholicism by force. Efforts were made by the Protestant clergy to depose James. William of Orange, the Protestant cousin and husband of Mary, was induced to take the throne as her co-ruler. James fled to Ireland, but was defeated by William at the Battle of the Boyne. The religious unrest from this event reverberates in Ireland to the present day.

James II's two daughters, Mary and Anne, became Queens in turn, and maintained the Protestant religion in England, despite challenges from their half brother, James, and his son, Bonny Prince Charlie. When Anne died without leaving any surviving children the throne passed to the Protestant George I of the German Hanoverian line.



Silver twopence maundy coin,  
William and Mary, 1689.  
Actual size, 14 mm.



Silver shilling of Anne, 1702<sup>1</sup>  
Actual size, 25 mm.

Queen Victoria was a Protestant who did not question her religious affiliations. However, when coins were struck in Britain during her reign without the Dei Gratia legend, there was an outcry against the "godless coins." This indicates the strength of religious feeling in the country.



Silver crown of Victoria, 1847.  
Actual size, 39 mm.

Today Elizabeth II maintains a devout attitude towards her duty as the Head of the Church of England. Her son Charles has expressed a wish that the title Defender of the Faith be changed to Defender of Faith to reflect the monarch's duty to protect the many faiths of his people.

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<sup>1</sup> "VIGO" on the coin means that the silver used for the coin was seized from the Spanish in Vigo Bay.



# EDMONTON Money & Stamp Show

November 10 & 11, 2001, The Coast Terrace Inn  
4440 Calgary Trail North, Edmonton, Alberta

**Admission \$1.00 in advance, \$2.00 at the Door, 16 & under FREE!**



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See Charles Moore, from California &

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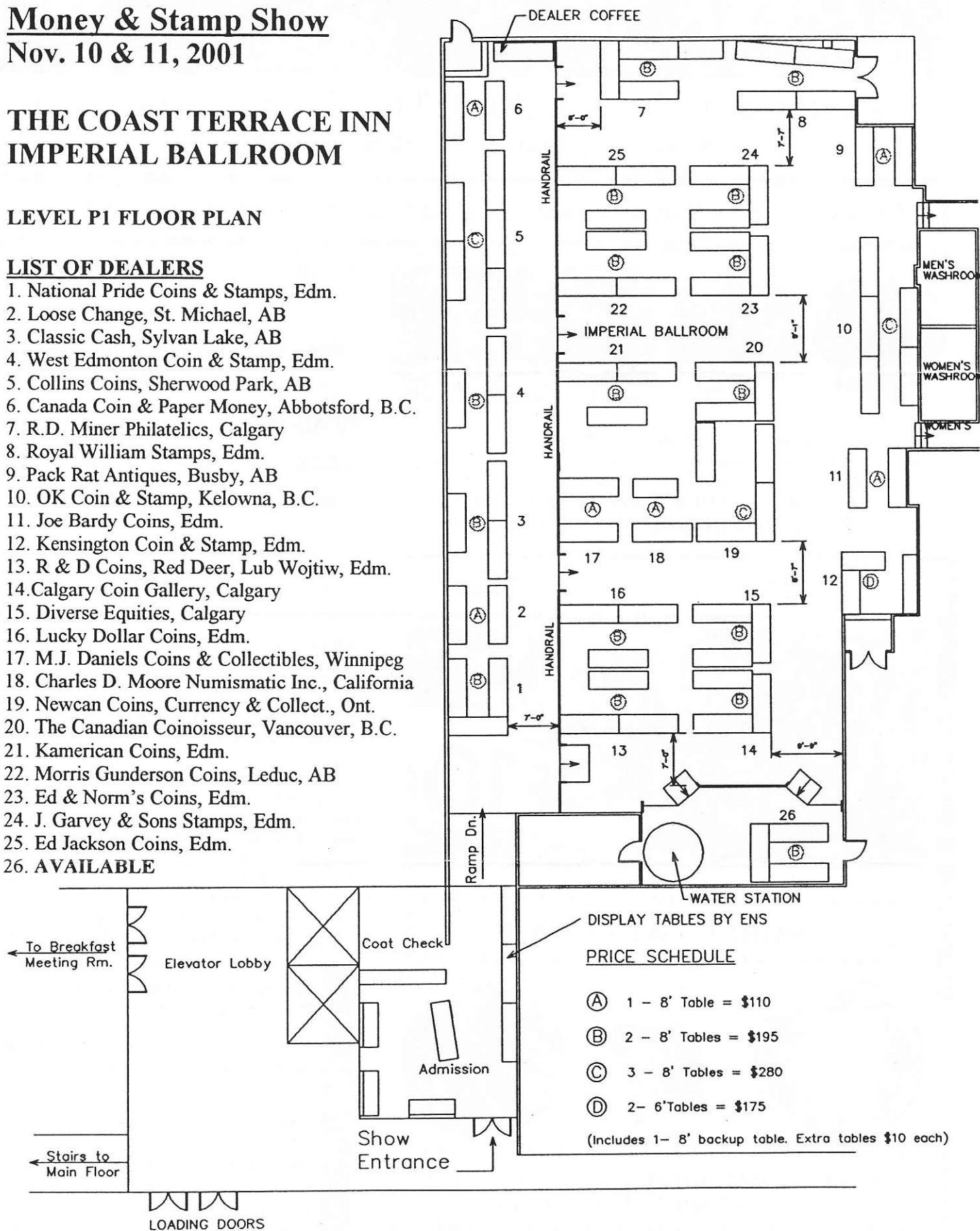
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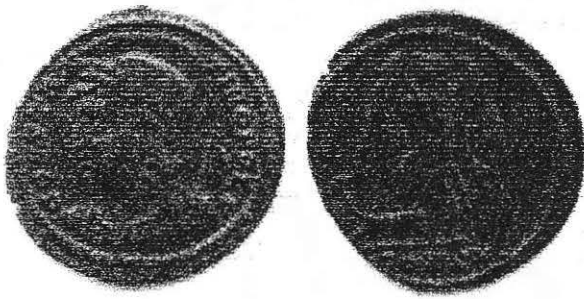
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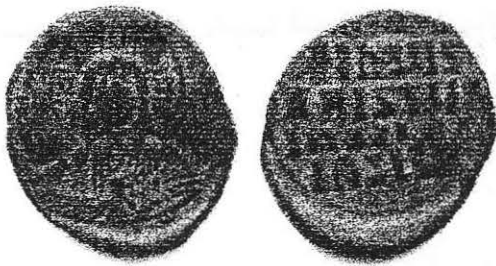


## Ancient Roman and Greek Coins - Common Types



This is a very common copper coin minted in 333-334 AD near the end of the reign of Constantine the Great. It is worn and costs about \$10 at a show. It celebrates the foundation of a new capital city named in his honor, CONSTANTINOPOLIS, "Constantine's city." [This is the obverse legend.

You can see the suffix "POLIS" in English words referring to cities, such as metropolis."] The city is now the largest city in Turkey, named Istanbul. The obverse bust is not of Constantine, but of the city herself, personified as a helmeted warrior with a sceptre (denoting power) over her shoulder. They come in high grade for \$40 or less. The reverse shows Victory with her foot on a tiny ship's prow. It commemorates a naval battle which secured the site of the city for Constantine.



A very common Byzantine coin of Basil II and Constantine VIII, AD 976-1028. It costs about \$20 - \$30 at a show in this condition (which is well above average). The obverse shows a facing bust of Christ (with a halo) and the reverse says "Jesus Christ, ruler of kings" in Greek. Nowhere is John mentioned, which is why this type of coin is called an "anonymous" bronze.

A silver coin of **Alexander the Great**. The obverse is a bust of Hercules in a lion-skin headdress. The reverse shows Zeus (Jupiter) seated, holding an eagle. The legend "King Alexander" in Greek begins at 8:00. This example is more worn than most -- it should cost about \$100.



A common (but not cheap) silver coin of the Greek city **Corinth**, minted 350 - 300 BC. Pegasus (the winged horse) / head of the goddess Athena in a Corinthian helmet (tipped back to expose the face). A cornucopia is behind. It is the size of a nickel, but thicker. Cost, about \$200 - \$300.



A Greek copper coin of the city Pantikapion, from the 4th century BC. Pan (notice the pun on the name of the city) / bull's head. This is good artwork for a small coin of only 16mm diameter. It costs about \$50 - \$100 in this high grade.

From the following web site:

<http://www.math.montana.edu/~umsfwest/numis/> Nov. 2000

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