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Appendix I

SELECTED TRANSCRIBED EXTRACTS FROM THE ISAAC WASTE BOOK

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(?) = suggestion for a word that is partially indecipherable in the manuscript.
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All spellings are as in the original manuscript.

'Waste-Book from April 23rd 1815 progressively...'

First Entry –

'1815	£ S D
<i>April 23rd – Paid Messrs Rothschild & Co for a check Upon their house at Frankfort am for.....</i>	<i>10 - -</i>
<i>April 25th – Paid Mr Goldsmid¹ commission on Goods Bought of C. Wilson & Co.....</i>	<i>4 - -</i>
<i>July 4th – Paid Mr John Chorley charges on 2 cases Merchandise Exported per Gloria Hambro (---?) A 24/25.....</i>	<i>8 17 6</i>
<i>Sept 23rd – Paid a Bill drawn by C. Wilson & Co at 6 months due this day for.....</i>	<i>150 17 0</i>
<i>Oct 26th – Paid Mr Minton(?) for glazing 42 Gross pocket Looking glasses.....</i>	<i>4 4 0</i>
<i>Dec 7th – Paid Mr Langley² costs.....</i>	<i>- 18 6</i>

1816

<i>March 27th – Paid Messrs J & E Cohen for Insurance 2 cases Merchandise on board the Beamish.....</i>	<i>1 15 -</i>
<i>March 27th – Paid the London Dock Company.....</i>	<i>1 6 6</i>
<i>March 27th – Paid Messrs J & E Cohen charges and Customs duties on 2 cases (---?) Imported from Hambro by the Beamish.....</i>	<i>30 18 6</i>
<i>March 27th – Paid Mr Halen(?) for Translating and Answering 1 letter in German.....</i>	<i>- 5 -</i>

1816 (continued)	£	S	D
April 11 th – Paid Messrs Koch & Serviking to the Account of G. A. Gebhardt ³ of Furth And for the use of Gabriel Davies ⁴	50	-	-
May 3 rd – Paid Messrs Koch & Seiveking to the Account of J. A. Gebhardt of Furth To be accounted for to Gabriel Davies.....	70	-	-
Aug 14 th – Paid Mr Noronworth(?) Collector of Harwich customs duty on 1 Chest Merchandise.....	14	16	10½
Aug 28 th – Paid Mr Nathan ⁵ commission for Mr Swaby ⁶	1	13	6
Oct 21 st – Paid Mr Younger(?) wages for armour Cleaning at 36/- per week.....	5	15	9
Oct 22 nd – Paid Mr North for making stands.....	1	8	-
Oct 25 th – Paid Mr Cappes(?) pages(?) armour cleaning.....	3	1	-
Oct 28 th – Paid carpenters work.....	-	16	-
Nov 15 th – Paid Mr Goldsmid commission on Dutch glass sold.....	1	3	6
Dec 9 ^h – Paid Mrs Behouse(?) debt due to her and £1 for lace.....	4	16	-
1817			
March 5 th – Paid to the Morning Post office and Chronicle From this date to 31 st Inst. For advertisement And paragraphs for armour.....	2	8	-
May 6 th – Paid carpenter work for 2 packing cases And locks for Gent(---?) armour.....	-	14	-
May 14 th – Left on commission for sale or return At Mr William Foster's St. Martin's Lane ⁷ A suit of plate antient armour (---?) A (---?) time of James 1 st	125	-	-
An antient sword.....			
An (---?) antient Breast plate, chased And inlaid with gold time of Elizabeth.....	15	-	-
A Knights Tilting helmet.....	8	-	-
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1817 (continued)	£ S D
May 26 th – Paid Morning Post Office for advertisement Of antient armour.....	- 7 -
July 16 th – paid for Coach conveyance of armour To Dr Meyrick ⁸	- 4 6
Aug 20 th – Paid Mr Gabriel Davies on his departure This day from London.....	3 - -
Aug 30 th – Forwarded to Mr John Hawkes one Case containing 49 Gross Black Lead Pencils 35 Doz boxes Leaden Toys, 4 (---?) Card Soldiers, 2 doz and 3 boxes of Colours(?) 3 doz and 11 Sumoredum(?) books and 1 damaged mechanical chaise toy.....	
Sept 4 th – Bought of William Rees Thomas, broker To the East India Company 34 Bags of East India Rice, weighing Net 51 cwt At 27/- per cwt.....	68 17 -
Nov 24 th – Paid to the Sun Fire Office.....	2 18 5
Dec 24 th – Paid Mr Moody for altering and gilding A chimney glass frame.....	1 15 -
Dec 24 th - Paid Mrs Franklin for China etc.....	1 4 10
 1818	
Jan 4 th – Paid Mr Nathan for a mahogany case 8 day clock by Burrows, brass (---?) etc 200 (---?) cut cameo's..... gold mounted tooth pick.....	10 10 -
Jan 13 th – Paid Mr Bartram for a gold Watch and chain and 3 seals.....	11 10 -
Jan 23 rd – Paid for windows cleaning.....	- 7 6
Feb 19 th – Paid Mr Hall for Gilt frame.....	1 - -
Feb 28 th – Paid for copperplate engraving & (---?).....	- 7 6
March 19 th – Sold Dr Meyrick a Tilting Sword for £2	

April 1st – Sold Mr William Foster the following
Articles for £120.....

A carved Ivory silver gilt mounted mug(?)

Bought of (---?) 28oz, valued £48

A silver gilt mug and cover embossed woman's

Heads round the case(?) w. 10oz, value £10

A pair silver gilt pilgrim figures (---?) (---?)

w.25oz, value £30

*a superb part silver gilt dish (---?) piece chased
or struck, subject interior of a church and sixteen
Roman heads struck finely round the outside edge*

w. 10oz, val. £20

*a silver part gilt dish (---?) struck w. 5oz
value £4*

*a small but elegant struck and chased silver
book cover, subjects from the same plate(?) 4½oz, val. £6*

*a small silver part gilt Equestrian figure of a
German Trooper wt. 5oz, val. £5*

*A small fine figure of a knight in armour
(---?) not silver, value £2*

April 9th – Paid Mr John Isaacs,⁹ Taylors Bill

April 11th – Sold Dr Meyick a powder flask for 10/-

April 15th – Sold to Thomas Maduflt(?) Esq a
Suit of Tilting fluted armour cap & pie

From the reign of Henry VIIIth for£157 10 -

April 16th – Sold to Genl John Murray¹⁰ a suit of
Steel armour for a demi lancer

Complete, a dutch helmet & (---?) Curiasse¹¹52 10 -

May 5th - Paid Mr Hilton for repairing a crossbow..... - 5 -

May 15th - Sold Mr W Foster an ancient dagger

*19 Bronze medals and 1 book by (---?) (---?)
for £5*

May 22nd – Paid Mr Parker on acceptance of

Thomas Brado(---?) Esq for the sum of £40 7 2

*For the following goods shipped on board the
Eliza.....*

(Telescopes/Kaleidoscopes/Thermometers)

1818 (continued)

£ S D

May 29th – Paid Cartage to Mr Stanley¹² Old Bond Street
& portorage..... - 7 -

June 9th – Portorage for delivery of catalogues..... - 3 -

June 9th – Paid Mr Stanley commission & duty on
Armour sold & do. Bought in..... 13 15 -

June 13th – Paid Mr Williams commission & portorage
On a suit of armour bought in..... - 11 -

July 23rd – Sold to Dr Meyrick an antient steel casque¹³
For 15/-

July 31st – by intelligence from Mr G Davies at
Furth read this day, he has purchased the
Following goods for the different sums specified
In the margin.....

...11 china jars..... - 11 -

one coffee pot, one tea ditto & sugar basin..... - 5 -

6 china cups & saucers, 3 ditto chocolate,
one coffee pot one milk ditto one tea do. &
tea canister, one sugar basin one large

slop do. & 4 small vases gilt mounted..... 2 - -

1 bronze & ormolu Musical clock..... 9 - -

.....

.....

.....one silver mug, weight 14½oz

@ 5/4½..... 3 18 -

.....

a silver hilted sword..... 1 8 -

a china figure of a turkey..... - 14 -

a china clocker (regulator) Dresden china..... 9 - -

5 carved ivory figures and others..... 16 - -

Aug 17th – Sold to Mr William Foster the following goods
For £105 at 4 months credit

A complete suit of Bright Steel Antient
Armour cap & pie consisting of back &
Breast plate, Casque, Gourge,¹⁴ Cuifies,¹⁵ Jambes,¹⁶
With spurs, poudoras,¹⁷ vambrouces,¹⁸ Guimlettes,
& etc from the period of Henry VIIIth

a suit of Pistoleurs half Bright Antient ditto
consisting of backs, breast plate, Helmet & Gorget,¹⁹
Cuifeurs,²⁰ Gauntlets, buff boots etc
from the period of Henry VIIth

an incomplete fluted suit consisting of
back and breast plate.....

.....period of Henry VIIIth.....

.....a Brass Curiass²¹ & Helmet lined with scarlet cloth

2 Gauntlets 1 Godog(---?) piece 1 detached cuiss

& a buff or Yellow leather boot

a beautiful engraved gun lock in brass

mounted stock (barrel wanted).....

.....

1 tilting sword

.....

a small crossbow, a Malag(?) Crese(?)

& 2 Spear heads

Sept 2nd – Paid Mr Potter for sundry china..... - 5 -

Sept 14th – Sold to Mr Nathan of Charles St Middlesex
Hospital, 1 dresden coffee pot, 1 ditto tea,
A sugar bason ditto & 1 ditto Plateaux &
2 pairs of small vases mounted with oromolu
£4 -0-0

Sept 14th – Sold to Mr Nathern 4 damask table
Cloths & 38 napkins for £8 -0-0

Sept 14th – Sold to Mr Nathern 5 jars, 2 knives &
2 jars, 2 beakers, ale delft for £4 - 0- 0
the three purchases amounting to £16 - 0 -0
to be paid within 14 days.....

Oct 3rd – by intelligence received this of Mr G
Davies in Furth we have purchased the
Following articles at the prices in the margin
& are forwarded to London from Furth

8 small china jars.....	- 12 -
.....	
2 carvings in ivory with black frames.....	10 - -
1 stone bust.....	1 - -
2 carvings wood 2/6 2 cups & saucers ½.....	- 3 8
2 marble stones painted.....	1 4 -
1 old fashioned ormolu clock.....	4 - -
5 figures (not china) all alike.....	- 15 -
1 stone bust.....	1 - -
1 ditto.....	1 - -
1 ditto.....	1 - -
1 ditto.....	1 - -

Nov 5th – Sold Mr Salter²² of Hanway Street a
Delft tureen figure of a turkey for £4 -0-0

1818(continued)

£ S D

Nov 7th – Paid Mr Salter Hanway Street
For cleaning china clock case & group
& riveting on wing of a turkey tureen
and cover..... - 15 -

Nov 13th – Paid Mr Day for a Black Marble
Pedestal for group of figures etc..... 4 13 -

Nov 20th – Paid Mr Day for (---?) 2 busts..... - 12 -

1819

Jan 7th – Paid Mr Price Cartage..... 1 3 -

Jan 15th – Paid Mrs Rodwell, rent for 41 Craven Street

Jan 29th – Sold to Mr Cox,²³ a Dresden
China Clock for £14 5 0

Feb 2nd – Sold to Messrs Solomon Lewis & Co²⁴
A Silver gilt Chased Chalice weight 14-7 £25

Feb 22nd – Paid Mr Powell(?) for 1 Silver (---?)..... - 6 -

March 18th – Sold Mr Thomas Honoleg(?) 1 hatch(?) locket(?)
Enamel £10, 2 Silver Box £2
Also 1 fine Necklace(?) chain £2

March 22nd – Paid Mr Patmore of Ludgate Hill
For 16 moulds..... 17 10 -

April 8th – Paid duties at Customs House Harwich
For Silver Tankard..... 3 17 -

April 8th – Mr Gabriel Davies arrived in Town
From Germany & brought with
Him the following goods:
1 Tankard Silver Gilt wt 20oz..... 7 - -
2 figures Silver Gilt wt 13oz..... 5 - -
1 Silver (part gilt) dish wt 10oz..... 6 8 -
1 Communion Cup Silver Gilt wt 16oz..... 5 10 -
1 Silver Gilt plate wt 3½oz..... 1 7 -
1 Fillagree Silver Chain wt 3½oz..... 2 - -
1 Gold medal..... 4 - -
1 Agate spoon handle silver gilt..... - 6 -
2 snuff boxes gold mounted..... 1 7 -
2 medals with paintings to open..... - 7 -

1819 (continued)	£ S D
1 bronze lobster.....	- 7 6
1 chased silver medallion of Joseph before pharoh wt 5oz.....	3 10 -
 <i>April 29th – by journal of Mr Gabriel Davies</i>	
<i>Paid for the following articles</i>	
<i>Bought on the Continent previous to this date.....</i>	
D No1 1 Silver gilt chased Communion Cup 16oz	
1 Clay figure & black picture frame	
GD No1 1 Complete suit of fluted Antient Armour.....	8 - -
1 ditto inferior, no jambs.....	2 - -
1 ditto black & gilt, no jambs.....	2 - -
1 antient sword & 1 modern ditto.....	- 10 -
1 engraved antient halberd.....	- 10 -
2 detached helmets.....	- 10 -
2 carvings in wood of heads & 1 terracotta.....	- 3 6
2 carvings part gilt one of the Edwards.....	- 5 6
1 Ostrich Egg (gilt mounting) supported by a Bronze figure of an African.....	2 10 -
1 Bronze figure of a Lobster.....	- 5 -
2 China groups, 3 Dutch paintings on China.....	1 1 -
1 small Vase of Dresden china, and boxed knife(?).....	- 7 -
1 China snuff box, metal mounted.....	- 8 -
1 enamel ditto.....	- 12 -
1 chased metal gilt roman Salt cellar.....	- 3 -
a composition in Frame of a battle.....	- 5 -
a China teapot & stand.....	- 4 -
6lbs Bronze Powder.....	6 - -
	<u>25 14 -</u>
 <i>May 6th – paid Mr Hamilton for 3 Dozen Coloured</i>	
<i>(---?) Neck hand(---?) @ 20/- per doz.....</i>	<i>3 - -</i>
 <i>May 16th – Paid Mr Southall²⁵ for cleaning</i>	
<i>A suit of Armour.....</i>	<i>3 3 -</i>
 <i>May 16th – Paid ditto for cleaning a piece ditto.....</i>	
	<i>- 5 -</i>
 <i>May 22nd – Paid Mr Southall for cleaning</i>	
<i>A suit of half fluted armour.....</i>	<i>1 12 6</i>
 <i>June 2nd – Paid for a sample Silk Shawl.....</i>	
	<i>- 16 -</i>
<i>Ditto for ditto Cotton ditto.....</i>	<i>- 6 -</i>
 <i>June 6th – Sold to Mr Nathan 17³/₄oz Silver Medals</i>	
<i>2 Dresden Groups, 3 painted delft tiles, 1 tea pot & stand embossed A, 1 small Dresden</i>	

vase embossed Grapes, & imperfect for
£10, to pay in a week

July 1st – by advices received the 25th June from
Mr G Davies at Cologne I am informed
He has purchased a clock & bracket
For 13 Napoleon's 16/8 (---?)

July 27th – Paid Mr Cox for getting a glass shade..... - 5 -

July 27th – Paid Mr Cox for a black frame.....- 14 -

July 27th – Paid Mr Cox for cleaning a Buhl Clock
And making a pendulum.....1 12 -

Sept 13th – by intelligence rec'd this day from Mr
G Davies dated Sept 3rd we have bought
The following goods on the Continent for which
We have paid for as follows –

GD No1 1 Bronze Clock on figure of Branch(?).....	4	-	-
1 ormolu Clock.....	8	-	-
1 Ladies watch.....	8	-	-
1 Chased silver plate.....	2	5	-
2 Do. Do. plates.....	7	-	-
1 dozen painted snuff boxes.....	1	8	-
1 doz Do. Do.	1	4	-
8 snuff boxes, painted @ 17 doz. ½	6	12	-
2 pieces carvings in Ivory.....	2	10	-
Sundry lots of porcelain Jars (---?).....	9	4	-
Antient Stained Glass, sundry pieces.....	-	18	-
An Ivory Sword handle 5/0 two bronzes on a plate.....	-	11	-
			<u>£ 51 2 0</u>

September 24th - Sold to Mr Chapman of Oxford Street
½ doz. Snuff boxes.....

September 26th - Sold to Messrs Solomon Lewis & Comp
2 Silver Gilt Chased plates wt. 14oz-13oz
for £14 - -

November 2nd - Sold to Mr William Foster of the Strand,
a Group of figures carved in box &
ebony on a black Marble plinth, subject
Time & Eternity with a glass shade
all complete for £40 in money & £20 in medals
that is to say 2 setts Value £10 making the
sum about £50 –

1819 (continued)

£ S D

- November 16th – Paid Mr Scott of Compton Street
for a Nicker(?) figure of a man..... 2 10 -
- November 27th - Paid Mr Southall on Acct of Work
done to Chain Armour..... - 10 -
- December 4th - Gave Mr Presting(?) on Commission of
sale or return 2 setts bronze Painted medals
in Cases @ £8 per Sett, 1 Ostrich gilt mounted
egg & Bronze figure @ 7. 7. -. A Dresden china
snuff box @ 1.6. 0. & 1 pair of paintings @ 1. 10. 0.
- December 10th – Paid Mr Crossley Commission of 2 ½ per cent
on a purchase of Mr Patmore for old moulds(?)..... - 8 6
- December 13th - Sold Mr Reader²⁶ a Suit of Bright steel
Tilting armour cap a pie Consisting of back
& Breast plate.....£110
- December 18th - Paid Mr Litchfield for painting figure etc..... - 4 -
- December 18th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning &
mending Chain armour on account..... 2 - -
- December 30th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning Armour..... - 15 -

1820

- January 6th - Paid Mr Greenhall of Old Compton Street
for 6 three foot 3 one foot 2 four feet
& 1 (Common) telescopes & 1 Reflecting Do. in Case.....13 18 -
- January 24th - Paid Mr Frazer for cleaning 1 Reflecting
Telescope & stand & 5 others..... 1 14 -
- January 25th - Sold John Reader Esq 18 pieces antient
Stained glass for £12. 0. 0.
- February 11th – Sold Mr Baldock²⁷ a large Buhl clock &
bracket, 1 plateau & 4 figures of China 1 pair
Vienna china painted jars, 1 pair Dresden Bottles
& stands, 1 dresden stand, 1 Do. Salt cellar, 1 Jaad
Silver gilt mounted spoon, & 1 Communion Cup
of Silver gilt wt. 19 oz-15oz, all for £42.0.0
- February 11th - took in Exchange (for 5 Marble Busts) a Suit
of Plate Armour Cap a pie of Mr Adams.²⁸

1820 (continued)

£ S D

February 12th - Paid Mr Southall on Account for making
a pair fluted feet for jambs & fresh(?) (---?)
sundrie pieces of Armour..... 2 - -

February 17th - (Abraham Davies sends a consignment of goods
comprising telescopes/boxes/chains etc to Gabriel
Davies in Germany, for sale there)

March 6th - Bought the following, by Mr. Davies in Germany

.....
.....
2 Suits of Antient Armour & 1 Dagger..... 3 2 -
.....
.....
A Silver chased & inlaid with mother of pearl bird..... 25 - -
80 pieces Roman ware,²⁹ painted..... 13 10 -
£ 68 1 10

March 7th - Sold Mr Moses³⁰ of Hanway Street
3 figures for £ 0. 12.0.

March 7th - Sold Mr Moses of Hanway Street a
dresden snuff box metal mounts £1. 0. 0.

March 11th - Paid Mrs Salter for china mending..... - 5 6

March 27th - Sold Mr Moses, Hanway Street a figure
of Minerva in Alabaster for 8/-

April 5th - by intelligence.....Mr Davies.....following goods...
2 Suits Antient Armour..... 3 - -
.....
.....
3 pieces Stained glass..... 1 18 -

April 21st - Sold Mr J Reader a Pair of Armour
jambs (from a suit taken in exchange for Busts)
for £10.

April 24th - Sold Mr Swaby 5 painted Roman Ware
dishes for £3.3.0.

April 24th - Sold Mr Moses.....2 China (not Dresden)
vases.....2 Lazaronies(?) carved of wood.....
.....£6.0.0.

April 27th - Sold Mr Moses.....3 Dresden China
Groups.....£9.0.0.

1820 (continued)

£ S D

May 5th - Sold to Mr Moses a Dresden China painted
Bason Cover & stand for £2.15.0.

May 5th - Sold to Mr Moses a silver gilt cup
shape of a barrel, wt 5oz (---?)dwt for £1.10.0

May 11th - Sold to Mr Fogg³¹ of Marwick Street,
Seventy Six pieces/ Comprising plates & dishes
of Roman or Raphael Ware finely painted,
subjects from the Scripture & Roman history etc
for £60, one half to be paid immeadiately the other
within or not later than 1 month from this date.

June 5th - Sold John Reader Esq Junr an Embossed
& inlaid with Gold & engraved Shield for £42.0.0.

June 16th - Sold Mr Foster a Dresden china handled
& gilt mounted cane for £1.11.6.

June 16th - Sold Mr Wm Foster 1 Back, Breast, helmet &
(---?) of Pikemans Armour, 2 Do. helmets with
(---?) & 4 Dresden china Bottles/ imperfect for £12.0.0.

June 16th - Sold to Mr Moses.....
.....£5.5.0.

June 16th - Sold Mr Reader a tilting Sword £2.

June 16th - Sold Mr Reader an inlaid with Gold
& engraved Halberd for £5.0.0.

June 23rd - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning.....
.....armour.....2 - -

July 14th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning &
repairing.....armour.....2 - -

July 14th - Paid Mr Burrell for cleaning a Gauntlet.....- 7 6

August 17th - Sold Mr Moses an enamelled & gold
ladies watch, chain & seals for £7.7.0.

August 17th - Sold Mr Moses an embossed dresden china
box and cover for £1.11.6.

- September 13th - Sold Mr Moses of Hanway Street an
 Embossed & gilt porcelain vase & cover with
 paintings in compartments, 1 pair Do. groups,
 1 dresden china cup & stand, 2 Roman Ware
 plates, 2 porcelain stick handles, about 80 pieces
 copper coin & chasings, 2 copper enamels, 1 silver
 (---?) coin, & 2 small boxes for £20.
- September 29th - Paid Mr Williams for cleaning & mending
 2 swords & a crossbow..... - 8 -
- September (he means Oct?) 10th -by intelligence received 6th Oct
 from Mr G Davies.....
following goods.....
 2 large china figures..... 1 - -

 1 silver mounted snuff box, 1 cover Do.
 & an antient spear..... - 11 -

 1 small iron casket, curious lock..... - 5 10

 1 fine carving in Wood..... 1 - -

 An antient dagger..... - 3 -

 2 Carvings in Ivory..... - 12 -

 an old musical clock..... 1 - -
£39 2 2
- October 18th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning 2 wheel
 locks & Barrels of Guns..... 1 3 -
- October 18th - Paid Mr Finney Iron Founder for casting
 2 Maces to pattern & getting them chased up..... 3 8 -
- November 14th - Sold the Rev'd Champion Dimock³² of
 Scrivelsby, Lancashire,(sic) 2 Engraved & inlaid
 with Gold Halberds from the Reign of Henry 8th
 for £16 and a piece of Ant. Stained glass, £1.
- November 15th - Sold Mr Reader Junr Esq an old oak carving
 of the head of Edward 1st for £5.5.0.

1820(continued) £ S D

- November 27th -by intelligence.....the following.....
.....a small antient gun.....- 6 8
.....
13 Roman Ware plates..... 3 - -
£34 7 3
- October 8th - Sold Mr B Moses, 3 porcelain &
1 tortoiseshell silver mounted snuff boxes,
1 ivory crucifix & an Ivory carved (head)
locket for £3.10.0.
- November 27th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning 1 helmet
1 Gorget & 1 pair Gauntlets..... - 16 -
- December 2nd - Paid Mr Southall for repairing &
putting a new piece to a Curiasse..... - 16 -
- December 23rd - Paid Mr Baker of Wardour Street
for cleaning 1 pair bronzes on pedestals
& 1 other, on acct.....1 1 -
- December 27th - Sold Mr B Moses an old musical clock
for £2.10.0. a painted glass dish for 10/-
1 small bronze £1, total £4.0.0.
- December 27th - Sold Mr B Moses a Dresden china dish
for 10/-

1821 £ S D

- January 12th H Reader Junr Esq call'd and informed me
that the 2 Ant'q Spears forwarded together
with the 3 pieces Antient Stained Glass
total £12. 12. 0. to the Hon'ble & Re'd
Champion Dymoke of Scrivelsby Hall Lancashire(sic)
on the day her (---?) went
to St Paul's would be kept by the Champion
at that price
- January 12th Sold Mr Reader Jun'r antient helmet
for £10
- January 25th Paid Mr Bennet for 2 peartree Blk
frames & repairing 1 other..... - 7 9

- February 5th Sold Mr Farmer³³ of Tavistock Street, a Metal Gilt Mounted Ostrich egg, one pair Branched porcelain Candlesticks mounted in ormolu one Brown ware Bason & Ewer, one Metal Gilt & Engraved casket, one pair Dresden China Candlesticks 2 ormolu Clocks supported one by a Boat the other by an Elephant, 2 dresden China Groups for 2 lights each imperfect & 1 silver gilt dish set with enamels wt 15oz, Total for £60. the sum of £20 in Cash & the remaining £40 by a Bill at 2 months.....
- February 7th Sold Mr B Lions(?) one pair Flemish China Lovers, one Flemish China Groups, one pair porcelain figures of (---?) dolphins & 3 do. Small figures for £14
- February 23rd Paid Mr Cheney for (---?) Cabinet a Cup (a handle to)..... - 19 6
- February 24th Paid Mr Southall for cleaning a gun..... - 9 -
- March 5th Sold Dr S R Meyrick an engraved Spear, a (---?) Weapon, a steel Bow pistol handled, a jesters(?) Cap & an Antique small Bronze(?) figure for £3.7.0. to be paid for in about 3 (---?) (---?)
- March 9th Sent to Dr Meyrick the articles he purchased on the 5th inst.
- March 15th Sent to Mr Reader Esq a fluted steel Helmet, a (---?) head, a Famplate(?) & an engraved spear, (---?) Chain Jacket.
- March 21st Sold to Mr Charles Askew³⁴ one Pair of Grand Dresden China Groups of Heathen subjects & 5 do. Figures, & 24 enamels on Copper for £38 in (---?) bills of £19 each, one at twenty days, the other at 1 month from this date.
- March 21st Sold Mr Charles Askew one pair of bronze figures on Gilt dragons, a Dresden China dejune of 10 pieces & 3 T Spoons & 1 pair china nests with birds & their young, for £14, to be paid in 10 days.
- March 22nd Paid Mr Cachet(?) for mending China Group..... 1 2 -

March 23 rd	Paid Mr Price, Cartage to Bullock's ³⁵	- 5 -
April 5 th	Paid Mr Christie ³⁶ at the sale of Mr Gwennaps ³⁷ effects Lot 46 April 4 th a Complete suit of Knights Tilting Armour cap-a-pie, with the lance rest, of the latter part of Elizabeth's time	52 10 -
	Do. Lot 43 Same Day, a Shield & Mace	6 10 -
	Do. Lot 63 Thursday the 5 th a Highland Shield & 2 No. Swords	14 - -
	Do. Lot 84 same day a fluted(?) Cuirass	4 4 -
	Do. Lot 102 same day helmet, 2 Guns, 2 Pistols	2 2 -
April 6 th	Rec'd from Mr Bullock of the Egyptian Hall Piccadilly the Account of Prices Of my property sold at a sale held as above On Friday 30 th 1821 as follows as per catalogue	
	Lot 4 a Table Clock out of order	1 14 -
	Lot 7 Four chasing in Black Armour	- 6 6
	Lot 33 one Browne figure & a do. (---?)(---?)	1 2 -
	Lot 68 a stone tablet with German inscription	1 8 -
	Lot 76 Eleven cameo heads of the Caesar's	1 1 -
	
	
	Lot 122 a Suit of bright steel Armour cap a pie For Tilting of the time of Henry VIII, 6ft 4in	73 10 -
	Lot 136 an Ivory handled sword	1 10 -
	Lot 138 two old English Halberds, Henry 8 th	2 14 -
	Lot 139 two ditto Spears	1 8 -
	Lot 140 two ditto engraved	3 4 -
	Lot 141 two ditto Halberds	3 5 -
	Lot 142 a Rifle Gun beautifully inlaid perfect With bright wheel lock & barrel	4 5 -
	Lot 143 an Engraved spear & Halberd	2 9 -
	Lot 144 two pikes	2 2 -
	Lot 147 an inlaid Crossbow & quiver Henry 8 th	6 10 -
	Lot 148 a steel ditto (-?) of James 1 st	2 10 -
	Lot 149 two engraved spears	2 12 6
	Lot 150 two do. do	2 10 -
	Lot 153 a Suit of Bright Steel Horsmans Armour of the time of Henry 8 th	15 15 -
	Lot 154 a chainmail jacket	5 5 -
	Lot 159 an inlaid Crossbow & quiver Henry 8 th	4 10 -
	Lot 160 two Chased handles for swords inlaid With Gold & a curious spur	1 3 -
	
	
	Lot 163 a bright Barrel Wheel lock gun	

Beautifully inlaid with hunting landscape etc..... 3 3 -

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Lot 169 a Blue & Leaded horn Cloth with a Curious
 Elk's horn.....1 10 -

Lot 170 a Suit of Bright steel Horsmans
 Armour of the time of Elizabeth..... 16 - -

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Lot 178 an Italian Wheel lock gun with Chased
 Barrel, perfect..... 2 10 -

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Lot 180 an old English wheel lock Gun
 with bright Barrel, perfect..... 3 13 6

Lot 182 an embossed Mace..... 2 7 -

£213 9 6

in My Acc't forward the sum £214 9 6

Commission 16 1 9

Duty 10 14 6

£26 16 5

Nett Received £187 13 3

April 12th - Sold Mr B Moses 1 doz inferior Lazaroni's
 1 doz Copper Enamels, 2 snuffboxes, 1 Agate
 seal Stamp for £6

April 29th - Paid Mr Gabriel Davies for
 his exportation for Mannhiem
 at his departure this day.....10 - -

April 29th - Sold Mr Swaby an Antient
 embossed pitcher(?) for £3

April 29th - Sold Mr Charles Askew the following
 goods.....

May 3rd - took in exchange of Mr Askew four
 pieces Stained glass, value £8 for
 3 China Ornaments & 1 Do. figure

1821(continued)

£ S D

Value £2.10.0., 1 Agate Box val. £1.10.0.
1 China enamel painted Do. val. £2

1821 – ends here, the Waste Book then starts again in 1825.

1825

£ S D

May 8th - Paid Messrs Rothschild on Account of
Mr Davies.....100 - -
Lent Mr Davies..... 2 - -

May 8th - Paid Mr Walker for a movement to
a China Clock case..... 1 15 -

May 8th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning a
suit of armour..... 2 13 6

May 8th - Paid Mr Knott for handles for Cabinet..... - 12 -

December 26th - Paid the Morning Herald for Advert..... - 14 -

December 27th - Paid the Morning Chronicle for Advert..... - 13 -

December 28th - Paid the Morning Post for Advert..... - 10 -

1826

February 1st - Paid Morning Chronicle for Advert..... - 7 -
Do. Morning Post Do..... - 7 6

April 7th - Paid Mr Knott for Gilding a
Ewer and Basin.....2 - -

April 7th - Paid Mr Knott for mending
sundry China figures, a pair
of pistols etc.....1 - 3

April 14th - Mr John Lamb of Warwick(?)
2 Old Swords Paid.....3 - -

May 6th - Sold to Mr Saunders (?) Oil Paintings
for four pounds (?) at Mr Squibb's
sale for two pounds

- May 14th - Bought at Mr Deacon's³⁸ sale
 A Cabinet inlaid with Tortoiseshell
 for £1.13.0. A Chest of drawers
 for £3.0.0. A small table for 14/-
 A lot of Sundries for 13/- and
 a pair of Girandoles for 14/- and
 3 Pair of Old bronzes for £1.4.0. and
 5 China figures for 18/-.....Gave the Porter 5/-
- October 4th - Exchanged with Mr Bentley³⁹ the following
 Articles -
 A Delft Pitcher & Dish/£2/ for 4 Bronzes..... 2 - -
 A Carved Wood figure a plateau with 4
 figures on it & a Ivory carving a pair
 of Love(?) Jars & a Crystal Cup..... 7 - -
- October 4th - Paid Mr Liscomb £18 for a Quarters Rent for Shop
 in Quadrant, due 29th last month
- October 14th - Rec'd from Mr Davies by the
 Ship Robert & Sarah One
 Case of Curiosities (Costing).....63 8 7
- December 14th - Sold Mr Bentley 5 pieces of
 painted glass.....3 - -
- December 14th - Exchanged with General
 Macdonald, A Carved Ivory (---?)
 For a Buhl pedestal, 2 Candlesticks
(---?) (---?)
- 1827
- January 1st - Rec'd of Dr Meyrick the Sum
 of Fifty Six Pounds for
 Ancient Armour del'd.....56 - -
- January 16th - Bought at Mr Swaby Sale 14 small
 very common Shell Cameos for seven
 shillings and pledged them for £1.10.0.
- January 24th - Bought at Phillip⁴⁰ at Bond Street a pair
 of bronze candlesticks and a bronze
 inkstand..... - 10 6
- January 25th - Bought at Porters sale a Carved
 & Gilt Frame..... 1 2 1

*On the first of Feb 1827 Thieves
got through a (---?) house (---?) door
and Robbed me of the following
Articles –*

*An Amythest Necklace, Brooch
& earrings.....*

*.....
A pair of (---?) Silver Gilt Salts
A small gold enamelled watch
A Silver Do.*

*A small gold mourning Ring in memory (this subsequently scored out)
of Mr A Davies (found the Ring in a drawer)*

*A small Cameo of a blacks head set as
a pin*

5 or 6 Yellow new Silk handkerchiefs marked J.I.

*.....
and two 5 Pound Bank of England
notes and one sovereign.*

*March 8th - Exchanged with General Macdonald
a silver Gilt dragon weighing 31oz 10dwt
for £6.0.0. in money, a gold enamel
Lizard, a Tankard with carved Ivory handle
a pair of Malakite mounted in (---?)
an Ostrich Egg (---?) & mounted, a Seve
China plateau, a China Box, an Etwee,
and a Silver Bird.....
money 6.0.0. tankard 15.0.0.
Malakite 1.10.0. Plateau 2.0.0.
Egg 1.0.0. Lizard 6.0.0.
Etwee -. 10. 0. Silver Bird 1.0.0.*

*March 13th - Bought of Mr Tucker⁴¹ 2 small agate
Cups for 10/-..... - 10 -*

*March 13th – Paid Mr Ve(---?) in Coventry Street
for repairing a Lizard..... - 8 -*

*March 13th - Paid Mr Payne for repairing an
Ivory foot to a carved tankard..... - 6 6*

*May 11th - Bought at Mr Oxenhams⁴² a
Walnut (---?) (---?)..... 5 5 -
6 Pictures(Cheque on Coutts).....5 15 6*

*May 15th - Rec'd by the Ship Peter(?) Captain
Rutherford 2 cases marked FF19 & 20*

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.....	
<i>a very large dish mended.....</i>	- 2 -
<i>a painting on Copper in Gilt frame.....</i>	1 10 -
<i>a small mosaic cabinet and a silver plate casket.....</i>	8 - -
<i>A casket set with stones with Ivory on top and a Carved Ivory plateau in Gilt frame.....</i>	10 10 -
.....	
.....	<u>£93 7 9</u>
 <i>June 4th - Paid Mr Richard Venning of 14 Cross Street Newington for cleaning 2 plateaus.....</i>	 - 15 -
 <i>June 4th - taken in exchange for a clock of Mr Dutton a Buhl clock & bracket and a table clock and (---?).....</i>	 5 - -
 <i>June 18th - Rec'd by the Ship Clifton three Cases marked DD14&15&16 Containing A Wooden Spoon, Carved & a Do. Box Shape of a Coffin, a carved ivory knife and fork, eight pieces mosaic work a frame with velvet and eleven bronze figures on it.....</i>	 9 - -
.....	
<i>a large Cabinet with drawers and pillars - - -not sent.....</i>	9 9 10
<i>a china box.....</i>	- 2 -
<i>a cabinet with pewter pillar - - -not sent.....</i>	2 10 -
.....	
.....	
	<u>£65 7 4</u>
 <i>September 14th - Rec'd by the Ship Thetis, Rushford 2 Cases marked DD6&7</i>	
<i>A Gilt Crown set with stones.....</i>	- 4 -
<i>6 Dresden cups & saucers Coffee, Milk(?) Tea, 2 figures.....</i>	- 17 -
<i>A Landscape.....</i>	1 - -
	<u>£9 19 1</u>

1827(Continued)

£ S D

September 28th - Paid J. Phillips fifteen shillings
for mounting four pieces of mosaic

October 3rd - Paid three shillings to the society
for the relief of the
Poor Act(?)..... - 3 -

October 25th - Sold Harry Solomon⁴³ a Silver
Waiter weighing 55oz 10dwt for.....18 5 -

November 13th - exchange with Mr Tuck⁴⁴ for a
half suit of armour, a Picture
by Mr Franks(?) and a shell Tea
Caddie with 5/- Balance

November 26th - Gave Henry Brooksbank Esq
Credit till two months after next
Christmas for the following articles
viz; a pair of very beautiful wood
carvings, a pair of very fine Ivory
carvings in handsome carved frames
and another very beautiful
piece of Ivory carving for..... 105 - -

1828

£ S D

February 22nd - Paid into the hands of Messrs Coutts
to be placed to my account.....100 - -

August 28th - Paid Mr Goodsworth for Paving
the yard..... 2 11 -

August 28th - Paid Mr Greaves for Candles with
Check on Coutts..... 3 3 -

September 12th - Sold Mr John Bentley 2 Tables & 2 Frames
2 Carved figures & a Glass (---?)
for £3.0.0.

September 16th - Send to Mr George Faber by Pickfords
Van, a small box containing
Bronze Powder

September 25th - Bought of Mr Davies 2 wood Carvings &
2 Ivory Carvings an Enamelled Casket
and a small piece of Wood carving.....11 - -

- a Silver Snuff box*.....- 16 -
- September 22nd(?) - Sold to Mr Nathan a Carved Tray, an
inlaid box, a Black Cabinet and several
pieces of Red Glass (---?)..... 2 5 -
- October 13th - Bought of Mr Brown 57 Coppice Row
(---?) an old Scotch Sword for.....1 1 -
- November 21st - Called on Mr Pitts who accepted me for a
Tenant and said to me in presence of
Mr Griffiths of King St Soho that the
House, No.12 Wardour Street was insured
up to next Christmas
Witness John Griffith J C Isaac
- November 21st - Purchased the Lease & Fixtures
of a house, No.12 Wardour Street for.....110 - -
- December 31st - Gave my father towards the
Wine at Sarah's wedding..... 1 10 -

1829

- January 2nd - Purchased from 2 Young women
a piece of agate mounted with Silver..... 2 10 -
- January 14th - Gave Mr John Bentley Credit till
the last day of Feb next for the
following goods: a Diamond Ring
2 Landscapes in Frames, a pair of
China groups & four China groups.....22 - -
- January 29th - Paid Mary Wood a 2 quarters
Wages due the 6th of the month.....1 15 -
(signed) Mary Wood
- March 30th - Sold to Mr Nathan the following furniture
2 Chests of Drawers, 2 Beds, Bolsters & Pillows
mattresses & Straw pallias, 4 Blankets.....
.....a sofa, a chimney glass, 2 old carpets.....
.....29 7 -
- April 1st - Removed from Craven Street to
No12 Wardour Street

- April 15th - Paid Mr Pitts a quarter Rent due
at Lady dy Cash..... 21 5 -
- April 21st - Rec'd of Miss Mary Ann Badger
the sum of fifty pounds for
an agreement for 3 years for
the House No41 Craven Street
Strand at the yearly rent of £105.....50 - -
- April 23rd - Took in exchange of Mr Ford⁴⁵ two
Verd(?) Antique Marble Slabs which
I sold to Mr Gaffin(?) for.....11 - -
- April 28th - Paid Mr Wright Eight Pounds for letting
the house to Miss Badger.....8 - -
- June 25th - Rec'd from my wife on my
return from the continent Seventy
Five Pounds – she having sold
Goods to the amount of One Hundred
and three Pounds during the 2
months that I have been
absent.....£75.0.0.
- July 14th - Bought of Mrs Robinson No5 King Street
a pair of small French crimson vases..... - 5 -
- July 16th - Taken in exchange from the Countess
of Athlone⁴⁶ 3 small (---?) Cups & Saucers
4 Figures (---?) a (---?) a Goat(?) a
Boy with hoof(?) 2 Glasses all Silver &
reckoned to be worth.....1 3 -
- July 30th - Imported 175 Pictures and 17 of (---?) Carved
Frames which (---?) including all expenses.....163 14 6
- August 12th - Miss Alexander No12 Hanover Terrace
(for Portrait) Regents Park
- August 14th - Bought of Isaac Levy a small
snuff box & cameo..... - 13 -
- September 12th - Gave Mr Emanuel⁴⁷ on Commission
to be returned by Friday next,
A Ivory Tankard Silver Gilt mounted
quite perfect for £52.10.0.

September 12th - Capt Reid has a picture frame on approval which he is to return on demand

September 15th - Sold Mr Thomas Hawksley⁴⁸ 16 Carved Wood Figures for Seven Pounds and gave him Twelve Pounds Eight shillings for a bill drawn by him on Joseph Graham at 3 months after date for Nineteen pounds Eight shillings & Sixpence
Bill due 18th Dec 1829

October 9th - Sold Dr Meyrick 3 packing Cases for 5/- each..... - 15 -

December 18th - Sold Mr Abrahams⁴⁹ of Liverpool or Glasgow the undermentioned articles
A Ivory carving in a gilt frame.....5 - -
A Ivory crucifix inlaid with (---?).....2 - -
Two pieces of mosaic work.....1 10 -
A Ivory figure of a skeleton and a Carved wood crucifix..... 1 10 -
Took in exchange of Mr Abrahams a gold musical snuff box and one Sovereign for 5 agate snuff boxes and one old P(---?) snuff box (say Gold snuff box worth five pounds)..... 6 - -
A small piece of mosaic work in case..... - 12 -

December 31st - Called at Messrs Coutts & Co and gave the clerks a Christmas box of one guinea.....1 1 -

1830

January 4th - Sold Mr Palmer a small Gold Watch..... 8 2 6

January 15th - Paid Mr Oxenham six pounds ten shillings for two Reisener Encoigneurs mounted in ormolu purchased at his sale yesterday.....6 10 -

- January 17th - Sold Sir Edward Blckett⁵⁰ Bart a
Gold Ladys Watch & Gold Chain
with a (---?) Ring for29 8 -
which I had from Mr Emanuel on
commission for27 - -
- January 25th - Paid Mr Ricardi for gilding
A looking Glass frame - 15 -
- February 22nd - Paid Mr Nott for painting the first floor
staircase2 5 -
- March 17th - Bought of Mr Beasley a pair of
Dresden China Vases3 10 -
.....
- March 19th - Bought of Mr Beasley an old Dresden
Group and 2 Dresden figures4 - -
- March 24th - Bought of Mrs Gaskin No 11 Brutcher Place(?)
an Ormolu clockcase2 - -
- March 25th - Repairing a Watch for Sir Edward Blckett - 3 6
- March 30th - Sold Mr Isaac Abrahams of No.
28 Paradise Street, Liverpool
Twenty five Oil Paintings20 - -
- April 1st - Rec'd for Mr Isaac, 12 Wardour St
Soho, one case to be conveyed
by Van to Hastings directed
to Mr J Murray
(signed) James Larkins
- April 20th - Purchased at Mr Oxenhams Sale
2 Turquoise Blue Seve Ice pails
and one Wine Cooler and one
plate for9 2 -
- April 21st - Sold the above China to Sir John Erskine⁵¹ for21 5 -
- April 29th - Bought of Mr Tennants(?) 14 Chairs
8 of the same pattern & Six of another for 5 12 -
- May 3rd - Bought of Mr Levy⁵² a Japan Screen and
2 Commodes with marble Slabs for 12 - -
Paid check on Coutts

1830 (continued)	£ S D
May 6 th - Bought of Mr Israel ⁵³ a Carved Oak Garden bench for.....	2 3 -
May 12 th - Bought a tortoiseshell Inkstand at a Sale in Oxford Street for.....	1 11 6
May 17 th - Bought of a Poor man an old spoon which he found near Newington(?) church about 8 years ago W. Acton No3 Sun(?) Place Lambeth had for.....	- 1 -
July 21 st - Send 2 cases containing a Commode and one the marble slab to Dr Meyrick by Betts(?) & Drew fly Barge to Bristol & from there by the Sydney(?) trader to Goodrich Court near Ross Herefordshire/not paid for.....	11 10 -
July 22 nd - Bought of Mr Van Praagh ⁵⁴ 2 Commodes 1 a (---?) one and 4 pieces of Tapestry.....	18 10 -
August 16 th - Gave Mr John Bentley of Regent Street Credit till the 1 st of October for the following goods, 2 fine Pictures by Velvet Breugels, 12 small pictures in one frame and a Berlin Dejeuner in lease(?) for.....	50 - -
August 20 th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co Check drawn by Earl Gower ⁵⁵ in Drummonds..... Do Do Do..... Check on Ladbrooks & Co drawn by AM Herd in favour of Mr J Swaby taken from Mr Nathan.....	12 - - 20 15 - 12 12 -
<i>To be placed to my Account.....</i>	<u>£45 7 -</u>
August 26 th - Bought of Mr Van Praagh 2 Commodes without slabs..... 2 looking glass frames..... 2 bronze figures holding 2 lights..... a very handsome carved frame..... 6 Black chairs..... 6 carved chairs, brown wood.....	4 4 - - 10 - - 10 - 1 11 6 6 3 - 1 11 6 <u>£14 10 -</u>
August 29 th - August 10 th 1830 Sent a Suit of Armour to the Earl of Shrewsbury ⁵⁶ for.....	18 10 -

- September 5th - Paid Mr Healy(?) of No33 Upulston(?)
Street Somers(?) Town for a marble
slab.....1 18 -
- September 11th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning a
suit of Armour and making a pair
of Boots to it.....4 11 -
- September 21st - Bought of a man named Lightfoot
No13 Orange Street an old crossbow for- 10 -
having a suspicion that the above crossbow
was stolen the young man giving me a false
address I went immediately to Marlborough
(?) Office and informed them how I purchased
it, the Clerk and Officer told me they would see it(?)
- October 25th - Exchanged with Mr Rogers⁵⁷ Two paintings
worth three pounds for a Buhl writing
desk
- October 28th - Bought at Mr Southgate first sale
A pair of marble vases mounted with Ormolu.....- 11 -
a upright greek vase.....- 12 -
A greek cup with 2 handles.....- 4 6
2 very large carved wood figures.....- 15 -
A pair of Ivory figures on black pedestals.....- 17 -
5 brass spoons & a Do. (---?) & (---?).....- 10 -
A marble vase, engraved.....- 10 -
A Do. larger.....- 14 -
a Do. large & fine.....1 19 -
£6 12 6
- November 5th - The Earl of Shrewsbury purchased 6 Chairs
for £3.0.0. & a garden seat for £3.0.0.....6 - -
- November 18th & 19th - Bought at Mr Oxenham's Sale
2 small commodes one without a slab.....6 11 -
& pair of Fire dogs.....- 14 -
one large commode with slab.....6 12 6
a small(?) black case.....1 8 6
a large carved frame.....2 1 -
a Do.....- 15 -
£18 2 -
- December 4th(?) - Purchased at Mr Oxenham's sale
on the 1st last, a Buhl clock
and bracket with 15 days
movement(?) for.....8 7 -

1830(continued)

£ S D

*A small Ladies Work table
with three drawers.....3 11 6*

*December 9th - Sold to Mr Brett⁵⁸ of Oxford Road
Manchester*

*A very fine Ivory carving of
Fifteen (---?) and a very
fine Tankard
and a very (---?) Wardrobe..... 136 10 -
a Carved frame..... 3 3 -
a Carved looking glass frame.....1 17 -*

£141 10 -

Deposit 26 - -

Balance due £115 10 -

*December 16th - Bought of Mr Rubens⁵⁹ a black
Carved Ebony cabinet and a*

commode with marble slab for.....10 10 -

*Bought at a sale by Mr Claridge in
Albermarle Street Six Cabriole*

Silk(?) Chairs £5.10.0. 2/cartage/2/-.....5 14 -

1831

February 14th - Bought at Mr Squibb's sale of Mr Fogg

29 India plates.....3 10 6

A Seve Ewer & Basin..... 1 8 -

*2 agate cups & (---?) (---?) Gilt mounted and
an agate Tazza/damaged.....2 - -*

£6 18 6

*June 7th - Purchased at Mr Christie's sale Room
3 Seve Vases mounted with.....*

July 24th - Paid Mr Levington for cleaning a Suit

*of Armour. Black & bright (---?) Shield and
making a pair of boots for Do.....3 3 -*

August 9th - Sent by (---?)ford Canal (---?)

one package Cont. 5 pieces of

Tapestry and one Case Cont. 7

Paintings to Mr Abrahams Great

Charlotte Street, Liverpool

1831(continued)

£ S D

October 4th - Paid Mr Elliot for repairing
and varnishing a Wardrobe.....1 9 -

October 21st - Purchased at Oxenham's sale
4 Carved & Gilt looking glass frames.....1 14 -
Work Table with three drawers.....2 15 -
Oval Do..... 2 16 -
3 Do.(?) Wine Glasses.....- 15 -
Secretaire Inlaid..... 6 12 6
Small Stand(?) Work Table..... 3 3 -
£17 15 6

November 8th - Rec'd of Mr Isaac for cleaning four
suits of armour making 3 pairs of
Boots, cleaning a mace and making
a (---?).....14 14 -
(signed) W Southall
No.8 Kennedy Court, Crop Lane, Newton Street, Holborn

1832

January 5th - Bought of Mr Brainstone(?) / Christchurch
(86 German(?) Street) dug up in
sand pit near Christchurch a
Brass Coffin by time of
Elizabeth and dagger..... - 5 -

January 13th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning
a steel casket..... - 5 -

January 24th - Paid Mr Sharpe four Quarters Taxes
due Mich'day last.....16 7 7

June 19th - Rec'd from Sir John Erskine Bart a
Check for £42.0.0. leaving a Balance
due to me of £36.10.0. which he said
he would send me in a few weeks

June 26th - Bought at Mr Foster's Pall Mall
A Round Table with Mosaic Head.....2 15 -
A piece of sculpture/groups of (---?) (---?).....8 12 6
Porters & Cartage.....- 5 -

July 2nd - Sold Mr Brown of Carmarthen Street
a piece of sculpture for £20.0.0.
having purchased it in (---?) with Mr Nathan

*I paid him Six pounds as his share of
the profit*

- July 3rd - Bought of Mr Muller(?)⁶⁰ of Warwick St(?)
9 very common pieces of stained glass
for - 12 -
- July 3rd - Exchanged with Mr Hertz⁶¹ of Regent Street
2 small Ivory carvings of David & Goliath
for 12 Ivory figures (---?) and 3 small
(---?) pieces of Wood carvings
- July 4th - Sold Mr Abrahams 12 Ivory figures for 12 - -
- July 5th - Purchased at Mr Oxenham's
Carved Wardrobe very handsome 12 10 -
Inlaid table 3 - -
2 small commode 1 10 -
- July 10th - Paid Mr Bonheur⁶² for a
(---?) table, a commode
a small Do., a Clock & four
(---?) and a Secretary 22 - -
- July 10th - Bought of Mr Bonheur from Paris
a Library Table 10 - -
a small Buhl clock & bracket 4 - -
a secretaire with marble slab damaged 4 - -
a small commode 2 - -
a Do. very small 1 - -
2 Ebony stools(?) and a d(---?) 1 - -
22 - -
Paid Commission - 10 -
- August 1st - Exchanged with Mr Thyritt(?) for a Back
B(---?) 2 Arm pieces a Gorget Helmet x2
Gauntlets all of common armour, rec'd x
2 (---?)
- August 9th - Paid Mr Campbell for polishing a commode
- August 15th - Del'd to T. Baylis⁶³ Esq the following
statement of his account
Balance of Cabinet to be paid 1st Oct 35 - -
- August 16th - Bought of Mr Mawson⁶⁴ No.7 Thomas
Street near the Cobury Theatre 2
small oval tables for 4 - -

1832 (continued)

£ S D

- August 21st - Paid Mr Swinden for making a
small Table inlaid with mosaic.....6 - -
Paid Mr Swinden for polishing the mosaic..... - 7 -
- August 24th - Sold Mr Baylis a very fine inlaid Cabinet
a pair of bronze groups, a bronze figure
a very handsome small alarm clock and a
Drawing in glass frame for £105.6.0.
- August 28th - Bought of Mr Stockley, Holywell
Street, 4 Carved Doors 4 Do. Pannels
and a Carved Closet for.....3 1 -
- September 4th - Paid Silver Licence.....2 6 -
- September 17th - Sent a Case containing a piece of
Stained glass to Sir Sam'l Meyrick by Pages(?)
Waggon from the Saracens head Inn
Friday(?) Street
- September 21st - Paid Mr Nott for painting the
outside of the Back & Front.....3 - -
Paid for Letters Gilding & fixing.....- 8 6
line(?) Whiting the area..... - 3 -
Square of Glass.....- 2 6
3 14 -
Paid for Wood letters..... - 7 6
- October 1st - Purchased of Mr Ha(---?) York Hotel Ostend
3 f(---?) one damaged..... - 15 -
9 small doors with fine figures on them.....1 15 -
pair of large drawers..... - 15 -
.....
21 pannels.....- 15 -
15 1 6
- October 8th - Sold Mr Isaac Abrahams of No.11 Brownlow
Hill, near Blake Street, Liverpool, goods to
the amount of £27.6.0.
- October 26th - Purchased a looking glass frame from a
man(scored out) Mr Taylor Esq 39 Chester Terrace
Regents Park, he said he had work for
Mr King, Coach maker at the corner
of Portland road, for a number of years
went with him to the timber yard opposite
the Catholic Chapell and the warden(?) said
it was all right for he has known him

1832 (continued)

£ S D

*a long while – paid for it - - 12 -
It was left him by a artist who owed him
some money for lodging & board*

*November 13th - Bought at Mr Fosters sale room
a mosaic Coffe or Jewel Casket.....11 11 -
.....
A Sevres teapot & Cover, milk pot
Sugar basin & Cover 4 Coffee
cups & Saucers.....3 - -*

*December 13th - Bought of Mr Solomon, Strand a
pair of Silver Candlesticks weighing
59 Ounces at 8/- oz ready money.....23 12 -*

1833

*January 1st - Sold Mr Nathaniel Nathan
the following goods.....
.....
a pair of embossed jars.....5 - -
.....
pair of perforated doors.....2 10 -
Fronts of a Wardrobe.....5 - -
7 pieces of Seve China.....3 10 -
Carved S(---?)..... 2 10 -
a Carved frame.....2 - -
fronts of a dwarf cabinet.....- 10 -
Crucifix carved..... 1 - -
£30 - -*

*January 1st – Exchanged with Thyenll(?) 69 Berners
Street, the Armour he had purchased of me
with some old (---?) and (---?) (---?)
£1.10.0. the first of next July; from
a Cromwell helmet & a Back S(---?)
& Gorget of plain armour*

*June 10th - Rec'd One pound Seven shillings at the (---?)
(---?) (nock out) at Gwenapp's Sale*

*July 4th - Bought of Mr Batter(?) No.9 Panton Place
Pentonville, 3 ½ doz. of Nankeen plates
and 4 Dishes, one damaged.....2 - -*

1833 (continued)

£ S D

July 8th - Gave Sir John D Erskine's Servants
for a present.....2 - -

July 19th - Exchanged with Mr Fred Katterbach⁶⁵
for 2 small commodes & secretaire in
Cash (---?) (---?) (---?) & three ancient Enamels
and a curious engraved Vase to contain
the Sacred waters of the Ganges.....13 - -

July 25th - Exchanged with Sir John D Erskine
an Etruscan(?) shaped Glass Ewer & basin
for which I received 4 Alter Candlesticks
leaving his balance of £30.10.0.
due to me the same as it was

August 12th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning
four Suits of Armour..... 6 10 -

August 12th - putting a glass in a frame to a drawing
for Sir John D Erskine..... - 2 6

August 20th - Purchased from a woman with
whom I went home with to No.21
Hereford St Fitzroy Square, a few
common China handles(?) for.....- 3 -

August 22nd - Purchased of Mr Biggs a Buhl
library table for.....9 - -
a pair of open work Pannells..... 1 1 -

August 26th - Mr Bentley purchased on the 19th
of last June Eight Suits of Armour
a few weapons, a shield & 12
Carved Chairs and nineteen
Pieces of Stained Glass for £360
.....
.....
.....delivered this day to him
all the Armour with the exception
of a few Weapons hanging on the
wall, which he agrees to leave
me together with the Chairs
and Stained glass for security

August 28th - Bought of Mr Hertz 2 Ivory
Carvings & a box wood crucifix..... 11 - -

1833 (continued)

£ S D

August 28th - Deliv'd to the Green Man & (---?)
2 Cases directed to Col'nel Tache(?)
Tyrford(?) Hall near (---?) Norfolk
to be conveyed by van

September 26th - Paid Mr Southall for
Four pair of Iron Boots and
Cleaning 2 Suits of Armour.....9 - -

October 7th - Paid Mr Leach for
repairing a Carved frame.....- 14 -

October 14th - Paid Mr Andrews for making
two pairs of gauntlets.....1 - -

October 29th - Purchased this day Four Hundred Pounds
Stock in the.....
.....

November 8th - Sold Mr Isaac Abraham No.32 Paradise
Street, Liverpool the following goods on
2 Bills for 6 months.....
.....
a fine piece of carving.....
.....
.....£25 18 -

November 19th - Expenses on 12 Carved Chairs purchased
at Ostend (---?) (---?) for..... 13 - -
horse hair, webbing, Camp(?) Tacks etc.....1 5 -
Cotton.....- 2 6
Upholster 1/6 each.....- 18 6
Jackson.....1 5 -
Carving new rail.....- 2 6
Varnish.....- 5 -
Damask.....2 2 -
Hemp(?) 26ft 7/6 (---?).....- 15 -
Tacks & (---?).....- 1 -
£19 16 6

November 27th - Paid Mr Southall for cleaning
a Back Breast Helmet & Gourget.....1 - -

December 12th - Purchased of Mr Denley 15 Old Compton
Street, 2 enamels, a Ivory Group, 2 minatures
in frames, 2 minatures(?) in tortoiseshell 2
Cases inlaid, (---?) Key, & one snuff box for..... 1 1 6

1833 (continued)

£ S D

December 17th - Paid Mr Sargeant for repairing
the movement to a Buhl Clock..... - 5 -

December 23rd - Agreed with Mr Southall for cleaning
a fluted suit of Armour making a
pair of Boots & Do. a pair of Tapetts⁶⁶4 - -

December 27th - Exchanged with a Lady a pair of Biscuit(?)
figures damaged, a agate picture, a French
plate mounted and another plate, she is to
bring for a pair of damaged old
dresden figures

1834

May 14th - Deliv'd Mr Bernal⁶⁷ his Bill
amounting to £63.8.0.

June 7th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co.
a check drawn by the Marquis of Breadalbane⁶⁸
on Messrs Ramsen & Co for.....109 1 -

June 6th (or 8th?) - Purchased at Mr Oxenham's Sale
on Commission

a pair of Church Candlesticks for Major Cadogen ⁶⁹			6	-	-
a library Table for Sir John D Erskine.....			15	5	-
for the Marquis of Breadalbane a Clock.....			18	-	-
do	do	a Clock(?).....	40	8	6
do	do	a (---?).....	29	18	6
do	do	(---?) Pillar.....	2	-	-
do	do	a pair of doors.....	15	15	-
do	do	6 Hall(?) Supports(?).....	5	-	-
do	do	do.....	5	-	-
do	do	10 Supports(?).....	9	-	-
do	do	a front piece.....	20	9	6
			<u>£166 16 6</u>		

Rec'd Commission for buying the
above goods about Eight pounds.....8 - -

June 18th - Rec'd a Bill Mr John
Edward Collingwood Bentley
accepted by Mr William Gibbin
Rogers of Church Street Soho
dated 17th June 1834 payable three
months after date for the sum of..... 28 9 -

- Given Mr Bentley for the above Bill
the following Goods & money
2 paintings in the Watteau Hand(?)..... 15 - -
2 Norremans..... 1 10 -
and a check on Coutts for..... 12 - -
- June 25th - Delivered at Lidlands(?) Wharf Morleydown(?)
One case directed to the right Hon The
Earl of Dunraven⁷⁰ (containing
Armour) Adams, Limerick to the
care of Mr Mullock
Limerick
- June 25th - del'd to the (---?) Inn Aldermanbury
one Case directed to Mr Williams
Brown⁷¹ Esq Chapel Allerton
Leeds, to be conveyed by the
Huddersfield Canal Boat
- July 4th - Paid Mr Bramble for Lacquering
and repairing a musical clock.....3 15 -
- July 30th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co
.....
.....
Check drawn on Glyn (---?) & Co by E H Baldock.....10 - -
- July 30th - Paid Mr Bramble for Lackering
2 Buhl Clocks & Brackets &
Buhl Clock & 2 other
articles.....4 4 6
- October 21st - Purchased this Day Five Hundred
Pounds Stock in the 3 ½ %Cent
reduced(?) annuities at 99 ⅛ each
with commission.....496 7 6
- October 31st - Purchased from a French Lady and
her son named Leopold of No31 York
Building new Road a pair of Etruscan
Vases, Curious Shape for..... 3 - -
- November 21st - (Isaac writes to HM Customs about the \$40 value of woodwork
in his cases and pleads for release, saying that no fraud was
intended in the undervaluation)

1834 (continued)

£ S D

December 16th - Paid to Messr Coutts & Co a check drawn
by Ralph Bernal Esq MP
.....for 100 - -

December 19th - paid Mr P Phillips for a table
Lamp for a present for Mr
Dennison⁷² 2 5 -

December 20th - Agreed with Thomas Whitton
to clean a Fluted Suit of Armour
and make 2 or 3 pieces to Gorget
for 2 6 -

December 26th - Bought a very fine Turkey
for one Pound and sent it as a
present to Mr Dennison..... 1 - -

1835

January 4th - Paid Mr Whitton for cleaning a
Black Suit of Armour 2 - -

January 10th - Agreed with Thos Whitton for cleaning
a Suit of Armour, a horse's neck
and head piece and four spears..... 2 10 -
Two lance rests(?)..... - 6 -

January 26th - Paid Mr Gurnell for Carting
a piece of Furniture and a pair
of Tables to John Ramsbottom⁷³ Esq
to Woodside Old Windsor 1 - -

February 7th - Paid Thomas Whitton two pounds
in part for cleaning Armour
making four pounds ten shillings..... 2 - -

March 6th - Paid the Sun Fire Office Six Pounds
Eighteen Shillings; and Eight Shillings
& Seven pence extra for Insuring
me in the following manner
up to Lady day 1836
Household Furniture, plate, Linen etc..... 300 - -
Stock and etc not including pictures..... 1400 - -

1835 (continued)

£ S D

<i>China & glass</i>	100 - -
<i>Pictures</i>	200 - -
<i>Shed timber built(?)</i>	10 - -
<i>Contents of Shed</i>	40 - -
	<u>£2050 - -</u>

*March 9th - Delivered at Liddards Wharf One case
Containing a suit of Armour directed to the
Right Hon the Earl of Dunraven
Limerick to the care of Mr Mullock
Ship Broker Limerick, to sail
by the Emancipation, J Plumer.....
.....*

*March 11th - Delivered to the Axe Inn Waggon
two cases directed to Mr Willm's
Brown, Esq Chapel Allerton
Leeds, to go by the Huddersfield
Canal*

June 8th - (another case of armour for the Earl of Dunraven)

*July 29th - Delivered Mr Bernal on Monday July
27th all his articles he purchased
except the glass and this day Wednesday
July 29th I have delivered him
all his glass*

*July 30th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co a Check drawn
by E H Baldock.....
.....for.....66 - -*

*July 30th - Delivered to Mr R Bernal his
Account amounting to Five hundred
pounds.....
.....*

*July 31st - Purchased of Mr New Stationer in the Strand
a bronze Group of 2 figures (death of
the Emp Caligula) for.....11 10 -*

*October 21st - Purchased a commode of Mr Lowe
Coach Painter No27 Whites Row
Spitalfields with marble slab for.....6 - -*

1835 (continued)

£ S D

November 17th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co a check drawn
by E H Baldock on Glynn & Co for 30 1 -

November 17th - Sold Richard Ford Esq Articles to the
amount of £20.12.0.

November 18th - Sold Mr Abrahams the following goods
A pair of very fine Wood Carvings..... 10 - -
Do do in Ivory..... 10 - -
.....
.....
and an old drawing..... 2 - -
£37 - -

December 11th - Paid Thomas Whitton One Pound
for repairing some Armour
lent to the Cobury Theatre..... 1 - -

December 28th - Rec'd from Messr Levy Ten Pounds
for the hire of two suits of Armour
for four weeks at the Victoria
Theatre..... 10 - -

December 31st - Sent by (---?) boat two Skeletons
Cases and one case to Symans Wharf
directed to Mr Williams Brown, Chapel
Allerton, Leeds to go from there by
Sea to Selby and from there by
Railway to Leeds paid for booking 3/-
Paid Mr Fowler for making two
Skeleton Cases and one other..... - 15 -

1836

January 1st - Paid Thomas Whitton for attending
the Armour at the Cobury Theatre
for two weeks due last Saturday..... - 10 -

January 7th - Rec'd from R Ford Esq the following
Goods
two pair of Seve Vases for..... 20 - -
a centre piece of China..... 4 - -
two Seve Cups 7 Saucers Turquoise Blue..... 4 - -
a Tureen Stand Seve..... 4 10 -
two round ice pails..... 3 - -
a centre do..... 2 - -
a pair of garden pots(?) in together..... 5 - -

1836 (continued)

£ S D

£42 10 -

January 13th - Purchased from Mr Ford the
remainder of his common porcelain
which he had left from the above lot for14 - -

January 14th - Purchased from Mr Ford Esq
an inlaid wardrobe..... 10 - -
A Library Table..... 7 - -

January 15th - (a cheque from E H Baldock for £76)

January 21st - Paid Mr Fowler for repairing and
Varnishing a Carved Wardrobe.....1 15 -
New shelves & Back..... - 13 -
repairing back..... - 5 -
£2 13 -

February 10th - Purchased at Mr C Deacon's sale in
Berners Street Eight Pannels forming
A Communion Rail for23 12 6

August 12th - Paid Mr Booker for repairing a pair
of Raphael ware jars and a few other
jobs..... 1 3 -

August 18th - Gave my father for a present..... 5 - -
Do my mother.....1 10 -

October 20th - (Isaac banks a cheque drawn by E H Baldock for £29)

1837

August 12th - Cost price of the Six Carved Chairs
Paid for chairs.....15 - -
Paid Freight.....3 18 2
Paid Mr Dennison for duty.....3 12 -
Paid do for entry.....- 4 6
Fee to Officer..... 1 - -
Paid do London Dock Charges..... - 6 7
Paid Mr Brown for Cartage.....- 7 6
Sundry expenses..... - 10 -
£24 18 9

- January 3rd - Paid to Messr Coutts & Co a Bill
drawn by John Webb⁷⁴ payable
at (---?) (---?) (---?)
due the 7th July(?) for 75 - -
- March 19th - Paid Jackson £2.10.0. for repairing and
Colouring stands and French Polishing
the tops of a pair of tables..... 2 10 -
- March 22nd - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co
a Bill drawn by Self on Messrs Pratt⁷⁵ Bond Street
at 2 months after date from 22nd Jan due 25th March for 141 - -
- March 28th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co
a Check drawn Messrs R(---?) by the
Marquis of Breadalbane for 40 - -
a Check drawn by Mr Swaby on Messrs
(---?) & Co for 87 - -
to be placed in my account £127 - -
- April 4th - Taken in exchange of Sir John Macdonald
three articles for which I have allowed him
the sum of Forty pounds.....
- April 6th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co.....
.....
20 14551 26th Dec 1837 Lady Bury⁷⁶ 20 - -
.....
5 45608 27th Dec 1837 Town & Emanuel⁷⁷ 5 - -
- May 3rd - Bill drawn by Self on Edward Hull⁷⁸
3 months after date from the 12 March
at Ransoms & Co due 15th June for 90 0 6
Bill drawn by self on Mr John Webb
at 3 months after date from the 20th March
at Herrie(?) & Forgin(?) due 23rd June for 43 10 6
- August 7th - Purchased this day One Thousand Pounds
Stock in the 3 pr cent reduced Annuities
At 94½ per cent paid together with
Commission..... 946 5 -
- August 10th - Paid Mr Pitts One Quarter Rent
due Lady Day last..... 21 5 -

1838 (continued)

£ S D

- August 24th - Sent by the Mail Coach from the Green Man (---?) Alford Street one small Case containing 2 pieces of stained Glass to Henry E Landon(?) Esq Warwick
 - August 28th - Paid Mr Bramble on account of R Bernal Esq for repairing a Clock.....1 5 -
 - October 22nd - Paid Thos Whitten for cleaning a suit of Armour.....2 5 -
 - October 24th - Purchased of Mr H Soloman Shaw(?) a silver Bread basket weighing 38oz 10dwt at 11/2 per oz.....21 10 -
 - November 2nd - Paid Thos Whitten for cleaning a suit of Armour..... 2 - -
 - November 2nd - Paid Mr Brooks for Gilding a frame For an inlaid Table and for Legs and Stretcher part Gilt for Do.....2 15 -
 - November 9th - Paid Mr Jackson for repairing a Table and making new Centre for top and for (---?) (---?) a small Table.....6 15 -
- (signed)
W Jackson
- December 5th - Sold to Mr Brett the following Articles and if not paid for before three Months the deposit of five Pounds to be forfeited and I At Liberty to sell the things
 - Carved frame.....10 - -
 - Small Marble Bust.....5 - -
 - Two Paintings.....10 - -
 - Ten portraits and one other picture.....50 - -
 - Three Large chairs..... 25 - -

1839

£ S D

- January 24th - Purchased at Messrs Christie & Manson A pair of spurs & a horse Bit for.....4 9 -
Sold them to Mr Hertz for £6 -

1839 (continued)	£ S D
January 25 th - Purchased a pair of Gauntlets for.....	7 - -
Sold them to Mr Bernal for £8 –	
purchased a pair of Brass chased stirrups.....	3 5 -
January 25 th - Sold to – Broadwood Esq M.P. on account of Lord Lowther ⁷⁹ seventy two yards of Embossed Velvet at £2 – 10 – 0 per Yard he promising to write to day to Lord Lowther for him to Send me a check for the amount.....	180 0 0
February 1 st - Sold the Marquis of Breadalbane a carved Oak Wardrobe for.....	21 0 6
February 8 th - Taken in exchange from Mr Ford 5 fine Old Red Seve plates figures by Br(---?) 2 Do. Dishes 10 fine Red Seve plates 13 Do. not so fine 4 Seve Cups & Saucers 1 Mounted Saucer for Candlestick 2 Seve Ice pails, one damaged.....	15 - -
March 7 th - Rec'd of R Bernal Esq M.P. a check for £80 in part of a Bill del'd for £239. 2. 0. leaving a balance of £159. 2. 0.	
March 15 th - Paid Mary Ann Morris this day Six Pounds (and One pound a few weeks before makes together) seven pounds for a Years wages due the 1 st Feb 1839.....	6 - -
March 22 nd - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co A Check drawn by Henry Broadwood esq M.P. ⁸⁰ On Glynn Halifax & Co for.....	180 - -
A Check drawn by Lord Harrington ⁸¹ on Drummonds for.....	10 - -
April 9 th - Paid Mr Brooks for reguilding A small frame for Mr Bernal.....	1 6 -
May 16 th - Purchased of Mr Barnet of Dukes Place Five Volumes the Holy Bible and one prayer book in two Volumes by Mr Henry(?) for.....	1 5 -

<i>1839 (continued)</i>	<i>£ S D</i>
<i>May 21st - Paid Mr Wilkes a half years Rent for 41 Craven Street due Lady day last.....</i>	<i>35 10 -</i>
<i>May 23rd - Gave Messrs Garrard⁸² of Panton Street a Carving in Ivory, with Ivory frame, in Case on approval and if not returned the Price to be Seven Pounds.....</i>	<i>7 - -</i>
<i>paid</i>	
<i>May 24th - Left with Lord Lowther a Marble Slab if not returned the Price to be fifteen pounds.....</i>	<i>15 - -</i>
<i>August 14th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co a Check Drawn by Mr Baldock on Glynn & Halifax for.....</i>	<i>30 - -</i>
<i>August 28th - Purchased at a shop in Holborn two pieces of Mosaic Work for.....</i>	<i>1 10 -</i>
<i>August 28th - Purchased at a Shop in Old Sh(---?) Road an old picture frame(?) for.....</i>	<i>- 5 6</i>
<i>September 13th - Sold a gentleman a carved frame with Military Subjects and an inlaid Cabinet For £14 – rec'd in part one pound for a deposit and if the articles is not paid for on or before the 10th of next month the deposit to be forfeited Sept 22nd Rec'd another Pound from the Gentleman on condition that I wait a fortnight for the other twelve pounds and if not paid by that time the two pounds are to be forfeited and I at Liberty to sell the frame & Cabinet</i>	
<i>December 4th - Purchased at Mr Oxenham's sale an unmounted China Snuff box For Mr Bernal for.....</i>	<i>2 8 -</i>
<i>December 5th - Purchased of Mr Isaacs a Broker (in or near Cromer Street) a very fine Carving and 30 small common pieces of Oak Carving.....</i>	<i>20 - -</i>
<i>Paid with a check on Coutts</i>	

- January 14th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co a check
 Drawn by Sir Saml R Meyrick for25 - -
- January 21st - Sent by the Champion Coach from
 the Crescent Piccadilly One Small
 Case Containing three Covers(?)
 of Broccadilla directed to
 Sir Saml R Meyrick KH Goodrich
 Court near Ross Herefordshire
- January 22nd - Purchased of George Procter Esq
 The following lot of China & Glass.....

 30 14 6
- February 26th - Purchased at Messrs Christie & Manson's Sale
 A Blunderbuss inlaid.....3 10 -
 a Salade (at sale £1.2.0. and 12/-).....1 14 -
 Engraved Armour (at the sale £15 and £4.3.0.)..... 19 3 -
 Do. Do. (at sale £9.15 and £2.14.0.).....12 9 -
£36 16 -
- Paid at the above Sale £10.9.0
 knockout
- March 2nd - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co a Check drawn
 by Andrew Fontaine⁸³ Esq on
 Messrs Bailey Friton & Co for33 - -
- March 5th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co
 a check drawn by A Fontaine Esq
 on Messrs Bailey Friton & Co for25 - -
- March 11th - Purchased of Mr Barnielli of
 Florence Ten Yards of Crimson
 Damask for 6/- per Yard.....3 - -
- March 16th - Paid Mr Smith for repairing a
 Carved frame and for a new
 Glass for Do.....7 - -
- April 3rd - Paid Mr Bignell for Carpenters Work.....1 17 6
 Paid Mr Lee for papering.....4 14 6
 Paid Mr Bramble for repairing a Clock..... - 14 6

1840 (continued)

£ S D

- April 16th – Bill drawn by self on Mr John Webb of
No 8 Old Bond Street at two months.....
.....100 - -
Bill drawn by self on Mr John Webb of
No 8 Old Bond Street at 4 months.....
..... 110 - -
- April 20th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co a Check by
Earl of Cadogen⁸⁴ on Drummonds for.....45 - -
- May 15th - Bought of Mr John Bentley a Derby Cup
& Saucer for.....2 - -
- May 27th - Sold Mr Hull Ten Chairs, a
Carved frame, 2 inlaid Tables, and
a looking glass with carved frame,
for £180. 0. 0. and lent him £100 –
in Cash, makes together £280 –
for which he has given me
two Bills for £140 each one
at two months date, and the
other at three months date
payable at Ransoms & Co
- May 29th - Paid Mr Underwood for repairing
a Matchlock Musket.....1 5 -
- June 15th - Bought of Messrs Sam & H Pratt a small Bronze
figure for..... 2 - -
- June 25th - Paid Mr Kish 10/6 on behalf of the
Persecuted Jews in Damascus &
Rhodes
- July 10th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co a Bill drawn by self
on Lady Charlotte Bury No3 Com(---?)
Place West.....
..... 61 5 -
- August 5th - Taken in Exchange of Mr P Norton
two portraits for which I allowed
him Eleven pounds.....11 - -
also a Bronze figure of Franciscus
which I allowed two pounds for.....2 - -
- October 22nd - Purchased at Mr Bartrams Princess
Street opposite Compton Street Four
Silver Candlesticks for..... 10 15 -

1840 (continued)

£ S D

November 9th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co a check drawn by A Welby Pugin⁸⁵ Esq on Messrs Wright(?) & Co to be placed in my account for... 10 - -

November 9th - Purchased at Mr Camerons in the Strand a pair of Silver Snuffers and Tray weighing 9oz 15 dwt for..... 3 2 6

November 10th - Purchased at Mr Oxenhams sale Two oak stands for..... 2 14 -

December 4th - Paid Mr Hull Thirteen Pounds for a large Oak Cabinet purchased of him at Oxenhams sale Room..... 13 - -

1841

January 28th - Sent by Sharp's Coach two small Cases addressed to Edward Adams Esq Middleton Hall, Camarthen to be conveyed by Rees Waggon.....

February 9th - Purchased at Mr Oxenham's Sale two old enamel Glasses for..... 3 - -

March 29th - Paid Messrs Coutts & Co a Check drawn by E.H. Baldock..... 15 - -

March 29th - Paid the Sun Fire Office Seven Pounds Six shillings & three pence for One Years insurance for £2050 to Lady day 1842..... 7 6 3

May 10th - Paid Mr Oxenham for 4 lots of Swords bought at Pratt's Sale..... 5 19 -

May 17th - £40 check drawn by R. Bernal Esq

June 4th - Sent by Sharpes Coach to the Iron Gate Wharf One Case containing a looking directed to R Bernal Esq.....

<i>1841 (continued)</i>	<i>£ S D</i>
<i>June 21st - Paid Mr Ashby for a Brass (crossed out and Copper inserted) Dish Purchased at Mr Oxenham's.....</i>	<i>3 12 6</i>
<i>July 22nd - Purchased at Mr Smarts princess Street Six table spoons weighing 12oz 16dwt at 5/6/oz..... (for a present for Miss Caroline Saunders) *(it is a wedding present)</i>	<i>3 10 5</i>
<i>December 15th - Paid Mr Smith(?) for repairing two Carved Box Wood Groups and (---?) a frame for a raffael Ware dish.....</i>	<i>1 8 -</i>
<i>December 27th - Paid the Sun Fire Office for One Years Insurance to Xmas 1842 for the House in Wardour Street.....</i>	<i>1 7 -</i>
<i>December 28th - Delivered to Mr Bernal a Pilgrim stick.....</i>	

1842

<i>January 12th - Left with Mr Bernal for a few days for his approval a curious Almanack if he keeps it the price to be £5.0.0.</i>	
<i>April 20th - Paid Mr Watson for One Dozen Wine.....</i>	<i>2 8 -</i>
<i>May 9th - Paid Messrs J&K McCracken their charges for Twelve cases of Sundries by the Tanting(?) – Venice, for Duties Freight, Commission, Cartage etc etc.....</i>	<i>58 19 -</i>
<i>May 24th - Paid Messrs Coutts &Co 30 A Check drawn by Mr W Brown Esq on Browns (---?) &Co for.....</i>	<i>30 - -</i>
<i>..... 10 (---?) 83632 10 Dec 1841 Forrest⁸⁶.....</i>	<i>10 - -</i>
<i>May 31st a check drawn by Mr W Brown.....</i>	<i>20 - -</i>

- June 15th - Sent to the Great Western Railway
 Paddington, two cases addressed to
 David Archer Esq, Courtney House
 Shirvenham, Farringdon, Berks
 containing an Oak Cabinet.....
- June 15th - Sent to Pickfords Office 158 Regent
 Street, two cases addressed to Mr
 Williams Brown Esq, Allerton hall,
 Leeds, to be conveyed by
 Pickfords Railway conveyance
- July 5th - Del'vd to Pickford's Office 158 Regent
 Street One Case (containing a
 Pair of Raphael Ware Vases)
 directed to Edward Hailstone⁸⁷ Esq
 Horton Hall, near Bradford
 Yorks to be conveyed by railway
- July 7th - Paid Mr Bignell for making two Packing
 Cases for the Oak Cabinets..... - 15 -
- July 11th - Paid Mr Harris for Bronzing Lackering &
 repairing a Pair of Bronze Firfoot(?).....4 - -
- July 11th - Delv'd to Pickford's Office 158 Regent Street
 one small case directed to Mr C Redfern⁸⁸
 Jury Street, Warwick.....

- September 11th - Memorandum 10th Sept 1842
 Mr Goetz⁸⁹ purchased the following
 pictures and gave me One Pound
 deposit on condition that I was
 to keep them for him for three
 Weeks and if not paid for by
 that time, the One Pound deposit
 to be forfeited
 1 Painting in frame – Canaletti.....12 - -
 1 Do. Hackert..... 8 - -
 1 Do. (-?) and two very small
 ones with Birds..... 8 - -
 1 Carved frame..... 6 - -
- September 29th - Delv'd to the Green Man & (---?)
 one small Case containing a Painting
 directed to Mr L Goetz to be left
 till called for at Newcastle on

1842 (continued)

£ S D

Tyne.....

October 5th - Paid Mr Pinchbeck for repairing a Raffaele Ware portrait.....- 4 -

October 6th - Paid My Dear Father & Mother Six Pounds to pay the Quarters Rent due last Michaelmass day for the first floor at No 312 Strand where they have resided for the last two years and three Quarters, (at £24 a Year), my having paid their Rent during that time, besides giving them One Pound a Week etc etc etc (they have removed last (-?) day to Mr Levy No10 Holywell Street, at the Rent of Twelve Pounds a year for the second floor).

October 17th - Purchased at Messrs Rundell & Bridge⁹⁰ Two Wooden Carved Spoons for3 - -

October 19th - Paid Mr Wikens(?) for a half Years Rent for the House in Craven Street due Michaelmass day last.....35 10 -

November 3rd - Paid Mr Sharpe for Two Quarters Income Tax due Michaelmass last.....4 2 ½

December 27th - Paid Messrs Coutts & Co a check Drawn by Saml Ware⁹¹ Esq, Hendon Hall, Hendon.....for21 - -

1843

February 16th - Sold Mr Henry Pratt sundry Articles this day for6 - -
and gave him a Check for..... 7 - -
his former account was.....27 - -

March 7th - Paid to Messrs Coutts & Co A Bill drawn by Self on Mr John Webb No 8 Old Bond Street at four months 50 - -

March 9th - Paid two Quarters Subscription to the Jews Orphans (---?) to March 1843.....- 6 -

- March 27th - Paid the Sun Fire Office £3.10.6. for Insuring One
Thousand Pounds in the following manner
- | | | | |
|---|-------------|---|---|
| Household Furniture, plate, Linen, etc..... | 240 | - | - |
| Stock, including pictures..... | 600 | - | - |
| China & Glass..... | 50 | - | - |
| Pictures..... | 100 | - | - |
| Shed..... | 10 | - | - |
| | <u>1000</u> | - | - |
- April 12th - Sold Mr Bram Hertz of Marlborough
Street this day a pair of Bronze Tripods
for £15.0.0. and on the 6th last three
French (---?) busts for £6.0.0.
- April 25th - Gave Mr Abrahams for a present..... - 10 -
- May 10th - Paid Mr Goetz for Reading Newspaper
from the 24th Jan to April 24th, 13 weeks at 7..... - 9 9
- May 11th - Bought of Mr Jacks(?) Regent Street
a Silk Umbrella for a Guinea..... 1 1 -
- June 8th - Delv'd this day to Pickford's Railway Office
Regent Street, two small Cases directed to
E. Hailstone Esq, Horton Hall, near
Bradford.....
- October 31st - Purchased of Mr Simmons a small
common (---?) with Carved Ebony head for..... - 9 -
- November 9th - Paid Mr Kish Twenty Pounds in liquidation
of all arrears due to the Synagogue by
my Father to Sept 5604 which said
amount includes three Guineas for
a spot of Ground for my Dear Mother
to be next to my Dear Father whenever
that sad event shall occur.....20 - -
- November 22nd - Paid Mr Raphael for Coaches and the other funeral
Expenses for my much lamented father.....10 9 -
- December 18th - Paid Mr Goetz 13 weeks reading the
Newspaper from July 25th to Oct 24th - 9 9

<i>January 2nd - Paid Mr Norden for Headstone.....</i>	<i>3 4 6</i>
<i>February 16th - Paid Mr Collins for the hire of a pair of pistols for Mr Hailstone.....</i>	<i>- 18 -</i>
<i>February 26th - Paid Mr Vaughan (Tailor) his Bill up to this date for cloathes Repairs etc.....</i>	<i>2 15 -</i>
<i>July 17th - Send a Small Case directed to Sir Saml R Meyrick Goodrich Court near Ross, Herefordshire by the Gloucester mail and to be left at the Turnpike (---?)</i>	
<i>July 22nd - Sent by Mail Train two small Cases to Edw Hailstone Esq, Horton Hall, near Bradford.....</i>	
<i>July 24th - Sent by Pickfords rail one Case to Edw Hailstone Esq Horton hall, & containing 2 Lamps & a Lectern</i>	
<i>July 29th - Sent by the Worthing Coach one small Case containing a Monk(?) to the Hon Robert Curzon Junior, Parham Park Harrington(?) (---?)</i>	
<i>August 1st - Purchased at Mr Evans Pall Mall Sale Of the Duke of Sussex books, a small very old illuminated (---?) for</i>	<i>3 15 -</i>
<i>October 11th - Paid Mr Goetz for reading Newspaper to the 28th Sept 1844.....</i>	<i>- 17 4½</i>
<i>October 19th - Paid Mr Booker for repairing a Raffael ware chandelier and a Do Vase.....</i>	<i>2 3 -</i>
<i>October 22nd - Paid to Messrs Coutts &Co a Bill drawn by self on Mr John Webb No8 Old Bond Street at three months after date.....</i>	<i>35 - -</i>
<i>A Bill drawn by self on Mr John Webb</i>	<i>80 - -</i>
<i>A Bill drawn by self on Mr John Webb</i>	<i>80 - -</i>
<i>A Bill drawn by self on Ralph Bernal Esq MP, 75 Eaton Square.....</i>	<i>112 - -</i>

1844 (continued) £ S D

November 27th - Paid Mr Wilkens for a half years Rent due
at Michelmas last for the house in Craven Street.....34 9 4

December 4th - Lent Mr Bernal Five Guineas to pay
W. Seyffert⁹² for a Old (---?) (---?) Jacket.....5 5 -

1845 £ S D

January 3rd - Paid Messrs Coutts & Co
.....
Check drawn by the Earl of Clare⁹³ on Coutts for.....29 - -

January 17th - Purchased of Mr Seyffert Four Mosaic
Birds for..... 4 10 -

January 23rd - Paid Mr Partridge(?) for repairing the four Mosaics..... 1 8 -

February 12th - Sold to Mr John Webb of Bond Street Ten
very large Gilt Carvings; for Twenty four
pounds, and a large piece of stained
glass of 4th(?) Jerome(?); which he (---?)
Forty pounds for

March 25th - Exchanged with Mr Pratt three large
Carved Italian Chests; and received from
him Fourteen small Enamels and an
Enamelled Tazza for the three chests

March 28th - Rec'd from Mr Henry Pratt a Leather Portmanteau
(---?) a leather Bag, hat Box, a (---?) Leather
containing several instruments, two fine Razors
in case, Engraved plates (---?) for which he charged
£10.8.0. settled with him this morning for
the above goods by paying him 18/shillings in
addition to the £9.10.0. he owed me

April 2nd - Paid Mr Kish £4.16.0. for Synagogue Bill..... 4 16 -

April 15th - Paid Mrs Goetz for Reading the Newspaper
13 weeks to the 25th March 1845..... - 9 9

April 16th - Rec'd from Miss Badger the balance due of Quarters rent
for 41 Craven Street

April 24th - Lent Mr John Webb One Pound

1845(continued)

£ S D

- June 23rd - Sent to Pickfords Rail Way Office (---?)
Two small Cases directed to Ed Hailstone Esq
Horton Hall near Bradford to be conveyed
By luggage train*
- June 27th - Sent by mail Train from the Spear and Eagle Regent Street
One small case directed to Edw Hailstone Esq
Horton hall, near Bradford containing a very handsome
C(---?)*
- July 21st - Paid Mrs Goetz for 13 weeks for reading the
Newspaper from 31st March to the 28th June..... - 9 9*
- July 29th - Purchased from Mr Jameson of Hamburg
5 Oak panels and ten small front pieces and five
small pieces for..... 3 10 -*
- August 1st - Paid Mr Vaughan his Bill for Cloaths
To this day..... 13 4 -*
- August 1st - Paid for a Book at Kitsons Portland Street..... - 9 6*

(Final Entry)

(FRONT PAGE, INSIDE COVER) –

January 1st 1827

Dr Meyrick (---?) Engraved Partizan(?).....2 - -

April 20th

Dr Meyrick (---?) (--?).....5 - -

an engraved halberd..... 1 - -

May 28th - *Mr Bevans(?) a pair of metal dishes.....2 2 -*

May 29th - *Gen Macdonald a (---?) (---?)*

a snuff box lined with Gold.....7 - -

June 7th - *Mr Borcas,⁹⁴ an Executioners Sword*

And a Mace.....3 3 -

July 20th - *Mr Borcas Chain Mail.....5 5 2*

October 23rd - *Gen Macdonald for Casket.....75 - -*

Mr Ricardi

No 4 Little(?) Burton(?) (Bond Street)?

(---?) (---?)

Mr Gale, Glass Stainer and Painter

36 (---?) George Street

Foley Place

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- ¹ Probably the partner in Wimpfen & Goldsmidt, curiosity dealers in Frankfurt, Germany.
- ² Probably Captain Henry Augustus Langley, Brittas Castle, Thurles, County Tipperary, Ireland. Langley was a captain in the 6th Dragoon Guards and was rebuilding Brittas castle during the 1820s after it suffered a fire in about 1820. The rebuilding was on a very extensive scale with the assistance of the architect William Vitruvius Morrison. It was left uncompleted when Langley was killed by falling masonry on 30th August 1834. Only the gate-tower remains.
- ³ Agent of the Davies family in Germany.
- ⁴ Gabriel Davies (c.1760-1838), curiosity dealer and father of Henry Abraham (d.1822) and Sarah Davies (c.1793-1875), who later married John Coleman Isaac (c.1803-1887).
- ⁵ Nathaniel Nathan, Curiosity Dealer, 1 Charles Street, Middlesex Hospital, London.
- ⁶ John Swaby, Curiosity Dealer, 109 Wardour Street, London.
- ⁷ William Foster, curiosity dealer, 134 St.Martin's Lane, London.
- ⁸ Dr. Sir Samuel Rush Meyrick (1783-1848), noted antiquary, was trained as an advocate. He was elected FSA in 1810 and published widely on antiquarian subjects, particularly on ancient armour, on which he was an authority. Meyrick lived at Goodrich Court, Ross, Herefordshire, designed by the architect Edward Blore during the period 1827-37. Meyrick was conferred with the Royal Hanoverian Order by William IV in 1832, and made Knight Bachelor in the same year in recognition of his rearrangement of the armouries at the Tower of London and Windsor Castle. Meyrick's London home was at 3 Sloane Terrace during the 1810s and later at 20 Upper Cadogan Place. Meyrick married against the wishes of his father, and was disinherited, the property devolved to his son, Llewellyn (1804-1837), who predeceased Samuel and left all his property to his father.
- ⁹ This is probably John Coleman Isaac (c.1803-1887).
- ¹⁰ Sir John Murray (1768-1827), 8th Baronet of Dunerne.
- ¹¹ A Cruiasse is an armour breastplate.
- ¹² George Stanley, auctioneer, 21 Old Bond Street.
- ¹³ A Casque was a pointed helmet, popular during the 9th – 13th centuries.
- ¹⁴ A Gorge was a piece of armour protecting the collar or neck.
- ¹⁵ Cuifies were pieces of armour for protecting the thighs.
- ¹⁶ Jambes were part of a Medieval saddle that extended down to protect the legs, popular during the 15th – 17th centuries.
- ¹⁷ Probably 'Pauldron', a piece of shoulder armour.
- ¹⁸ A 'Vambrace' was a piece of armour for the protection of the forearm.
- ¹⁹ See endnote 14.
- ²⁰ See endnote 15.
- ²¹ See endnote 11.
- ²² Charles Salter, 'Foreign China Warehouse', and 'China Mender', Hanway Street, London.
- ²³ Perhaps the son of the famous toyman and clockmaker James Cox (c.1723-1800).
- ²⁴ Samuel Solomon and his son Kensington Lewis were silver dealers trading at 2 New Street Covent Garden by 1802 and at Strand during the 1830s.

²⁵ Mr Southall, armourer, 8 Kennedy Court, Crop Lane, Newton Street, Holborn, London.

²⁶ Mr John Reader, friend of the Dymoke family. John Reader was nominated by the Reverend John Dymoke to take his place as King's Champion at the Coronation of King George IV in 1821, Dymoke being a cleric was debarred from the ceremony. Henry Dymoke, John Dymoke's son, who was abroad in the Navy when the Coronation was announced, eventually returned in time and was permitted by his father to take his place at the Coronation.

²⁷ Edward Holmes Baldock (1777-1845), curiosity dealer, Hanway Street, London.

²⁸ Edward Hamlin Adams (b.1777) lived at Middleton Hall, Carmarthen. Adams was born in Jamaica and became a wealthy merchant. He bought Middleton Hall in 1824 (a classical style house designed by S.P. Cockerell in 1793-95, which was burnt down 1931). Adams was a county magistrate and served as High Sheriff of Carmarthenshire in 1832.

²⁹ Italian maiolica, which was also known as Raphaelware during the nineteenth-century.

³⁰ Benjamin Moses, curiosity dealer, 23 Hanway Street, London.

³¹ Robert Fogg, 'Chinaman', 50 New Bond Street, London.

³² Rev. Champion John Dymoke (d.1873), was the father of the last Champion of England, Henry Dymoke (1801-1865). The Dymoke's family seat was Scivelsby Court, Horncastle, Lincolnshire, Scivelsby Court, a medieval building but was devastated by fire in the 18th century and much rebuilt. Henry Dymoke performed the ancient ceremony of the Champion at the coronation of George IV in 1820, as the representative of his father John, by special permission of the King, John Dymoke being debarred from taking part by virtue of being a cleric.

³³ Mr Farmer, curiosity dealer, Tavistock Street, London.

³⁴ Charles Askew, curiosity dealer, 165 New Bond Street, London.

³⁵ William Bullock, auctioneer and collector of armour and curiosities, The Egyptian Hall, Piccadilly, London.

³⁶ James Christie, (1730-1803) auctioneer, Pall Mall, London.

³⁷ Thomas Gwenapp, curiosity dealer, 20 Lower Brook Street, London.

³⁸ Mr Deacon, auctioneer, 2 Berner's Street, London.

³⁹ John Edward Collingwood Bentley, curiosity dealer, 5 Wigmore Street, London.

⁴⁰ Harry Phillips (d.1840), auctioneer, Bond Street. Phillips left the auctioneer James Christie in 1793 and set up his own auction business.

⁴¹ William Tucker, curiosity dealer, 83 Regent Street Quadrant, London.

⁴² Oxenhams, auctioneers, Oxford Street, London.

⁴³ Perhaps a member of the Solomon family of silver dealers, see endnote 25.

⁴⁴ Mr Tuck, curiosity dealer.

⁴⁵ Richard Ford, Esq. Jermyn Street, London. Ford was born in London and trained as a lawyer, he moved to Spain in the 1830s,. He returned to England in 1834 and bought Heavitree House, Exeter, Devon, which he rebuilt in Andalusian style (demolished in the 1960s). Ford was author of the popular *Handbook for travellers to Spain* published in 1845.

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- ⁴⁶ Henrietta Dorothea Maria (1803-1830), Countess of Athlone, married the 7th Earl of Athlone in 1818.
- ⁴⁷ A number of curiosity dealers named Emanuel traded during the 1830s and 1840s. See appendix VI.
- ⁴⁸ Thomas Hawksley, curiosity dealer, 14 Wardour Street, London.
- ⁴⁹ Isaac Abrahams, curiosity dealer, Paradise Street, Liverpool.
- ⁵⁰ Sir Edward Blackett (1805-1885), succeeded to 6th Baronet in 1816, after serving in the Lifeguards he became a Justice of the Peace. Blackett lived at Matfen Hall, Stamfordham, Northumberland, a house he built in 1830 with the assistance of the architect Lewis Cottingham (it survives as a country house hotel). Blackett was a member of the Inner Temple and Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries, as well as a member of the British Archaeological Society.
- ⁵¹ Sir John Erskine of Torry (1776-1836), of Fife, Scotland.
- ⁵² Probably Simon Levy, curiosity dealer, 13 Charles Street, London.
- ⁵³ Probably Leonard Israel, curiosity dealer, 8 London Road, London.
- ⁵⁴ The Van Praagh family were merchants, see appendix VI.
- ⁵⁵ Probably Granville Leveson-Gower (1773-1846), 1st Earl of Granville.
- ⁵⁶ John Talbot (1791-1852), created 16th Earl of Shrewsbury in 1827. The family seat was Alton Towers, Staffordshire, designed by Talbot and the architect A.W.N. Pugin (1812-52) during the 1830s and 1840s.
- ⁵⁷ William Gibbs Rogers (1792-1875), carver and curiosity dealer, 18 Church Street, Soho, London.
- ⁵⁸ Mr Brett was probably a curiosity dealer.
- ⁵⁹ David Aaron Ruebens, curiosity dealer, 32 The Minories, London.
- ⁶⁰ Probably Joseph Muller, curiosity dealer.
- ⁶¹ Abraham Hertz, curiosity dealer, Regent Street, London.
- ⁶² Mr Bonheur was a curiosity dealer from Paris who often sold to the London trade.
- ⁶³ Thomas Baylis, collector and antiquarian lived at The Pryor's Bank, Fulham.
- ⁶⁴ Samuel Moses Mawson (1793-1862), curiosity and art dealer and Lord Hertford's agent.
- ⁶⁵ Fred Katterbach & Co, curiosity dealers, Dufors Place, Broad Street, London.
- ⁶⁶ Probably 'Tassets', (or Taces), which are pieces of armour that provide defence of the hip, popular in the 15th century.
- ⁶⁷ Ralph Bernal (c.1783-1854), collector and politician, lived at 75 Eaton Square, London. Bernal was called to the Bar in 1810 but inherited large property in the West Indies and preferred a Parliamentary life to that of a barrister. Bernal was MP for Lincoln 1818-20 and Rochester 1820-41 for the Whig party. He was president of the British Archaeological Society.
- ⁶⁸ John Campbell (1762-1834) was created 1st Marquis of Breadalbane in 1831, he died on 29th March 1834 and was succeeded by his son, John Campbell (1796-1862). The family seat was Taymouth Castle, Perth, partially remodelled by A.W.N.Pugin during 1837-42.
- ⁶⁹ Possibly George (Sir) Cadogan (1814-1880), 2nd son of the 3rd Earl of Cadogan (1783-1864).
- ⁷⁰ William Henry Quin (1782-1850), 2nd Earl of Dunraven. Dunraven was a noted antiquary and a member of the Society for Promoting the Study of Gothic Architecture. The family seat is Adare

Manor, County Limerick, Ireland, a house built in 1730 which was demolished and rebuilt 1832-62 to the designs of the Earl and his wife with the assistance of the architect Lewis Cottingham and later the architects A.W.N. Pugin and P.C. Hardwicke.

⁷¹ Henry Williams Brown, lived at Heaton Hall, Leeds and at Chapel Allerton, Leeds.

⁷² HM collectors of Customs.

⁷³ John Ramsbottom, antiquary and collector. He entertained the Duke of Sussex at Woodside in 1827.

⁷⁴ John Webb (1799-1880), curiosity dealer, 8 Old Bond Street, London.

⁷⁵ Samuel & Henry Pratt, curiosity dealers, 47 New Bond Street, London.

⁷⁶ Lady Bury (1775-1851) was the daughter of the 5th Duke of Argyll, and was a lady-in-waiting to Princess Caroline. She married Col John Campbell in 1796 (he died 1809) and later married the Rev Edward Bury in 1818 (he died 1832). Lady Bury was a well known novelist and writer.

⁷⁷ Town & Emanuel, furniture makers and curiosity dealers, 103 New Bond Street, London.

⁷⁸ Edward and George Hull, curiosity dealers, 109 Wardour Street, London.

⁷⁹ Probably the 1st Lord Lowther (Sir John Lowther (1759-1844) who was created 1st Lord Lowther in 1824). Sir John Lowther came into the possession of Lowther Castle, Westmoreland in 1802, after the death of the Earl of Lonsdale, and he engaged Sir Robert Smirke to remodel the castle during 1806-10.

⁸⁰ Henry Broadwood (1793-1878), was a friend of Lord Lonsdale, see endnote 79.

⁸¹ Charles Stanhope (1780-1851), 4th Earl of Harrington, styled Viscount Petersham from 1780-1829. The family seat was Elvaston Castle, Derbyshire, which was remodelled by the architect Lewis Cottingham in the mid 1830s.

⁸² Garrard, Royal silversmiths.

⁸³ Andrew Fountaine (1808-1873) of Narford Hall, Norfolk, collector and antiquary.

⁸⁴ George Cadogan, 3rd Earl of Cadogan and 1st Baron Oakley of Caversham (1783-1864).

⁸⁵ Augustus Welby Northmore Pugin (1812-1852), architect.

⁸⁶ William Forrest, curiosity dealer, 54 Strand, London.

⁸⁷ Edward Hailstone (1818-1890) of Horton Hall, nr Bradford, was a solicitor and collector of antiquities and books as well as FSA.

⁸⁸ Charles Redfern, curiosity dealer, Jury Street, Warwick.

⁸⁹ L. Goetz, curiosity dealer, Portland Street, Southampton.

⁹⁰ Rundell & Bridge, silversmiths to George IV and William IV.

⁹¹ Samuel Ware (d.1860) was an architect and manager of the Duke of Portland's estate and noted collector. He lived at Hendon Hall, Hendon, formerly the home of the 18th century actor David Garrick. The Metropolitan Museum in New York owns a sketch by the Italian artist G.B. Tieopolo that was formerly in the collections of Ware.

⁹² George Seyffert, curiosity dealer, 77 Wardour Street, London.

⁹³ Richard Hobart Fitzgibbon (1793-1864), 3rd Earl of Clare. The family seat is Mount Shannon, County Limerick, Ireland, an 18th century classical style house.

⁹⁴ Bernard Brocas, a collector and antiquary whose collections were sold at auction in 1834.

Appendix II

SELECTED TRANSCRIBED EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS FROM THE ISAAC ARCHIVE

Hartley Library Special Collections, University of Southampton
MS 139/AJ 53

(?) = suggestion for a word that is partially indecipherable in the manuscripts.

(---?) = word missing due to being indecipherable in the manuscripts.

All spellings are as in the original manuscripts.

1819

Add 1 No.431

Gabriel Davies to Sarah Davies

Fürth, Germany, *'Thursday 9 days of Sivan'* (no year date, but probably 1819)

(Gabriel writes that he has bought a chest/cabinet) – containing *'the holy peoples bones with the names and the date 2000 Year, with the popes seal on it and a catalog from the people there is now Whithin, that's make them valuable.....every bone got the name on it...you ask Dr Merrick¹ about it and write me, it cost 23 shillings, together they make a great curiosity, what when you get it put it in the papers, see as you don't get plenty people to buy, all the bishops they would'nt let you have it, ask Merryck, not when they now you are a Jid, I mean a Jewess.'*

1821

No. 376

Gabriel Davies to Sarah Davies

Fürth, Germany, (addressed to Mr H A Davies, 41 Craven Street, London), 25th
September 1821

'Dear Sarah,

...you will receive two chests of goods marked DD 18:19, I send them from here the week before last and they contain as follows –

	£	sh	p
<i>Two china silver mounted snuff boxes.....</i>	-	10	-
<i>An Ivory and ditto figured one ditto.....</i>	1	2	-
<i>A Silver mounted agate case.....</i>	-	6	-
<i>A Silver mounted agate chest.....</i>	1	12	-

<i>A metal mounted case</i>	-	2	-
<i>Three bronze figures and horses</i>	1	5	-
<i>A Silver mounted agate case</i>	-	1	-
<i>A China figure</i>	-	2	-
<i>A sword</i>	-	6	-
<i>A plated(?) curiasse(?)</i>	-	4	6
<i>A china snuff case not mounted</i>	-	5	6
<i>Two swords</i>	1	-	-
<i>Eight spikes</i>	-	10	-
<i>An oval dish, not mounted</i>	1	2	-
<i>A pair of candlesticks of bronze</i>	-	5	-
<i>A wooden piece representing Moses</i>	-	5	-
<i>22 pieces together(?)</i>	6	12	-
<i>a china clock case</i>	-	10	-
<i>four pieces of agate</i>	-	2	-
<i>four china watch cases</i>	-	2	-
<i>china groups silver mounted</i>	1	14	-
<i>a tortoiseshell snuff case</i>	2	15	-
<i>a china piece belonging to a stick</i>	-	4	-
<i>a silver mounted bas(---?) and a sword</i>	-	12	6
<i>a metal mounted case</i>	-	3	-
<i>a china one ditto</i>	-	5	-
<i>a bow and arrow</i>	-	6	-
<i>a silver almanac</i>	1	-	-
<i>an enamel (---?) and two pieces of ivory</i>	-	10	-
<i>a metal mounted agate box</i>	-	3	6
<i>two swords</i>	-	5	-
<i>four silver mounted agate cellars</i>	2	-	-
<i>a painted(?) Ivory box</i>	-	5	-
<i>two agate boxes, one silver mounted</i>	-	5	6
<i>12 pieces of gilded armour, comprising</i> <i>an iron shield, an horses (---?) (---?) two pieces</i> <i>of horse armour. Three pairs of horse pistols</i> <i>four guns laid in ivory, a bronze Rillet(?) and</i> <i>shield and lance, a wooden chain(?) containing</i> <i>Fork, Knive and Spoon cut in one piece, two plated</i> <i>(---?) (---?) and two pieces carved wood together</i>	19	-	-
<i>six pieces (---?) bronze figures</i>	3	-	-
<i>two (---?) armours with lances</i>	2	-	-
<i>three (---?) and a spike and a (---?)</i>	1	10	6
<i>a shell box, silver mounted</i>	-	7	6
<i>a silver box and ivory cover</i>	1	-	-
<i>a gold stone(?) case, silver mounted</i>	-	10	-
<i>a (---?) hammer</i>	-	1	-
<i>a clock</i>	-	17	-
<i>three pieces of old stained glass in frames</i>	8	-	-
<i>a large carved wood</i>	2	-	-
<i>a (---?) bandage(?) and two books</i> <i>and 26 pieces of paper painted</i>	1	-	-
<i>four swords with large handles</i>	1	-	-

<i>a pair of iron boots(?)</i>	1 - -
<i>a bow and arrow</i>	- 15 -
<i>an iron shield</i>	1 - -
<i>a complete polished armour without boots</i>	5 - -
<i>fluted and engraved suit of armour</i>	1 2 -
<i>a carved wooden gun(?) with a stand to rest on it</i>	1 10 -
<i>an armoury (—?)</i>	- 10 -
<i>a morning star and two spikes</i>	1 10 -
<i>a little cabinet of Ritters(?)</i>	6 - -
<i>a chased plate 16 ounces</i>	5 - -
<i>five pieces of painted glass</i>	2 10 -
<i>a silver plate with 18 roman heads on it worth £16</i>	cost..... 7 - -

the above articles amount to.....£ 99 5 6

*from what I left here before I went away at
Mr Gebhardt.....*

Two giants swords...

A beautiful gilded spike and a key

One morning star²

A sword representing thirty persons

Beheaded together..... 3 10 -

Two fluted armours compleat

And a fluted breast and back

And a pair of spurs.....*together*..... 10 - -

1 3 10

99 5 6

£ 112 15 6

1821

No. 455

Dr S R Meyrick to Miss Davies

20 Cadogen Place, London, Friday 14th December 1821

'Dr Meyrick will be much obliged to Miss Davies to send him the four halberd heads put up in paper, the two executioners swords, and the three small swords by the bearer...If she will so good as to order the man to come down(?) to him with something to cut the chain mail, he will send her by him the pieces she wants.'

1822

No. 430

Gabriel Davies to Henry Abraham Davies

Fürth, Germany *Friday 19 Cheshwan 582* (1822)

(in Hebrew, this letter has the drawing of the suit of armour, see plate 40)

(English translation - Add 2 No. 430)

'We got now, with that two I got by me, 18 complete armoury besides those without faces that we can make a capital sale- out the spring with armours. I got two very handsome plated, I have been drawing of it in this letter you shall see it and the other is with brass-nails complete with legs.'

'Just now I had a letter from a gentleman about tree hundred English miles that he got two armours, one is gilded and the other plated complete with spears and shields, he asked £50 for it, he wants to send me to see him (it) of my expenses cost £5 and the £50 to put in his friends hand, if I don't like him I get my money back, £5 loss for the expenses.'

The Drawing (see illustration, plate 40)

'That is my plated armour, what do you think of it, complete nothing wanting...the same gloves (glof) what that armour got in I get maked.'

1822

No.269

John Dymoke³ to Miss Sarah Davies

Scrivelsby Court, Lincolnshire, March 25th 1822

'...I have desired my son, Mr Dymoke to call upon you to see your old stained glass and the nature and prices of it, after which I can (---?) what I shall want, I am now making an Old Gothic window with five openings in which I would like some old stained glass if I could get any appropriate and not out of the way in price. The subject of the glass I would wish to be Military or Tilting subjects as uniting the purpose for which the room is intended which is a kind of Vestibule to put in a figure on an Horse rich by cap(---?) and in armour in full costume. Do you have any at this description?'

1822

No. 270

Duke of Rutland⁴ to Henry Abraham Davies

Belvoir Castle, Grantham, September 1st 1822

*'Sir,
the two suits of armour which I purchased from you in July, were not well (---?) and required to be well put together after their arrival here...They are set up in a place, where the Spectator has a clear passage round them, ...it happens therefore that the (-
--?) part of the Thigh, is destitute of Armour and presents a very unseemly*

appearance. I am not aware whether this was the armour of a Horse or a Foot Soldier. But I would wish you to send down to me (---?) pieces of Armour which may cover those parts of the figures, which are now uncovered and to which I have alluded.'

(the following is a pencil draft reply by Abraham Davies on the verso of this letter)

'My Lord Duke,

...I beg to inform you that it is the universal custom not to furnish the hinder part of the thigh of a Horseman's Armour, which is (---?) (---?) (---?)...I beg to inform you I am now in expectancy of receiving some Chain Mail which is generally placed in those parts of a figure which have no armour...'

1827

No. 166

H A Langley⁵ to Isaac

Brittas Castle, Ireland, 27th October 1827

'Sir,

the armour arrived here yesterday and although you stated in your letter that it was a perfect suit in every respect, I find it has the following defects:

the right arm near the shoulder is composed of six pieces with four, five and four plates on it and plain at all the edges. Thus (small drawing included here)

The Left arm on the contrary has only five pieces and three, three and three plates on it, with scalloped edges, Thus (small drawing included here), then the joints between the shoulder and elbow of the right is lacquered and of a different pattern to that of the left'

(Langley asks Isaac to send him some other arms that match and he will buy the suit)

1828

No. 171

H A Langley to Isaac

Brittas Castle, Ireland, 22nd January 1828

'Sir,

In your letter of 3rd of this month you stated you would forward the Padlock, Shield and axe.....

Could you get me a good suit of black armour perfect and to match in all its parts, I want a suit of this kind.'

1828

No. 456

Bernard Brocas⁶ to Mr Isaac, Craven Street
Post marked 12th February, 1828

'Sir,
when I was in town last week I called at your house to see a few articles which Dr Meyrick mentioned to me as worthy my attention, but was unable to see them as you were from house. I have since received your letter on the same subject, as I shall not very soon be in town, if you will take the chance of (---?) writing to me, and will forward them here, well packed up, I will either give you the price mentioned in your letter, or will return them immediately to you, without any expense whatever; as I understand they are in a very in(---?)ted, condition.'

1828

No. 173

H A Langley to Isaac
Brittas Castle, Ireland, pm 25th February 1828

'The next time you either go or send to Paris I will thank you to purchase six swords for me. The same as the C(---?) officers & Grenadiers à Chenal(?) are armed with. They have brass guards, long (---?) fluted blades with (---?) (---?) de Swaklingenthal(?) Couaux fi(---?) written on the blade. You can get them at a shop in Paris, nearly opposite the Theatre Francaise, Gunsmith to the King written over the door. I paid 25 franks for one when I was last in France. I will allow you a fair allowance for getting them, but they must be perfect and of the exact kind I describe.'

1830

No.205

The Earl of Shrewsbury⁷ to Isaac
Alton, 28th June 1830

'Sir,
I have just received the box of armour, and enclose you a draft for the amount of your bill.'

1831

No.178

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac
Goodrich Court, 18th June 1831

'Sir,
I am extremely obliged to you for your letter because removed as I am from that world of curiosities, Wardour Street, it is only in this way that I can learn what fresh comes into the market.'

'The two pieces of enamel are alone what may probably suit me, but the sum you ask is just thrice what it ought to be, as Swaby⁸ would tell you. I had a little circular box of him with a moveable cover for a guinea at the same time as I was fortunate to pick up your candlesticks.'

'I think you would be pleased and astonished at this place if you were to see it. The sketches in your letter are very interesting. I wish you had drawn some of the figures in the painted glass.'

1831

No.174

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac

Goodrich Court, 22nd June 1831

'Sir,

I have received your very explicit letter from which I conjecture the painted glass to be of the time of Queen Elizabeth. Having one specimen, where the lady is with a cup as you describe and having but one window in the Elizabethan Room I relinquish all idea of that you profess. With respect to the two enamelled plates I think them very dear and cannot at all conjecture to what use they were applied. The bourgenot you describe would suit one, but I saw a fluted one sold with a fluted suit among Gate & Foster's things at Squibb's, the whole for twelve pounds and did not bid because the purchase was made by Mr Cotterell of Garrons in this County in whose hall they now are. The Dresden box in a case (?) was for Mrs Norton (?) of No.17 Sloane Street and therefore does not belong to my account. My bill then amounts to £12.18.6. but I had no objection to taking the two enamel plates and the helmet for £7.1.6. making the whole twenty pounds. I understand from Mrs Weston (?) that you had agreed to let me have the chest of drawers for eleven pounds.

I can say nothing about drawings, those are things I can only determine on purchasing after having seen them. Should you agree to what I have above proposed I will trouble you to send the helmet to the care of Francis Martin⁹ Esq. College of Arms, St Benet's Hill, St Paul's; and I will retain the enamels till you send for them in case of not doing so,

With best wishes to Mrs Isaac,

I remain

Respectfully yours

Saml R. Meyrick'

1831

No.175

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac

Goodrich Court, 25th June 1831

'Mr Isaac,

I shall give you the three guineas for the enamels and therefore keep them. I should certainly have liked to have had the bourgoinet, but as I will not give more than four pounds for it, you had better wholly consult your own advantage and let someone else

have it. I wish much you would write truth and not tell me the lowest price for an article is fifty pounds and then take from another forty five. The painted glass would not have suited me, I am glad you have sold it, but what I dislike is to perceive that when I write to know the lowest prices in order (?) to say "yes" or "no", I cannot be sure that someone else may not get the article for less.

Yours etc

Sam R. Meyrick'

1833

Add 1 No.11

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Frankfurt am Main 4th March 1833.

'I arrived here last night, and I assure you it is all up with coming to Germany to buy. In the first place nothing comes onto the market; the Continent is drained, and the people here begin to collect themselves. They make a noise with one and tell me I want to buy for the same price as 20 years ago, and they want to buy of me. You would be surprised to see the prices the dealers give for goods here; they don't understand anything, and they buy on speculation.'

'If any real good things come to market, I should still be able to buy them, for the Germans won't give much money out for Curiosities. It is true that a great many strangers travel to buy...'

1833

Add 1 No.12

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Frankfurt am Main 7th March 1833.

'I have purchased here a carved staircase, it was formerly in an old castle and was removed about 50 or 60 years ago from there, and was then placed in the staircase in the house from where I purchased it...it costs me with removing £8.10....I think it is worth £30 and perhaps more.'

'I have likewise bought 15 carved backs of chairs, the same style as I sold to Mr Leonard and Sir John Erskine.¹⁰ To some of them I have the seats and legs, but these are better than what Mr Leonard had. (if he calls, tell him of them). They cost me about £2.12 and I think Mr Webb¹¹ would give me £2 a chair for them.'

(Isaac buys a Lapis Lazuli Cup & Cover) – 'The lapis is very blue but it is not so good a specimen as the tazza I sold to Mr Heuch,¹² neither do I like its present shape as well, but I think I can have it altered.'

(Isaac gets out of a deal with Wimpfen¹³ for the pictures he agreed to buy because he says) – 'but the fact is we cannot sell any picture.'

'I think if Mr Swaby sees the things this time, what I have bought, he then will say that it is nothing but old broking, but the fact is, it is the only thing that I am likely to bring out my expenses, and how much longer that will last, I am sure I cannot say.'

1833

Add 1 No.3

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Frankfurt am Main 16th March 1833.

'I intend lodging in an Hotel and advertising in the Papers, informing the Nobility that by sending me a letter, I will attend them a few miles in the neighbourhood. That is the best plan when a person intends stopping in a Town for a week or two, and anybody that has anything is sure to bring it to you.'

'a great many Jews are ruined here with the stocks.'

'In London at a sale the things sell for twice as much as we can sell them for, and here in Germany, if you see anything, they want now a good London trade price for it; a bargain is almost impossible to meet with, there are so many purchasers now.'

1833

No.181

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac

Goodrich Court, 15th June 1833

'Mr Isaacs,

*I find that the letter to my friend reached him too late to bid at Gwenapp's¹⁴ Sale for the horse figures. I had desired him to give for them and their horses £150 each. I learn that they have been bought by you and Swaby, Bentley¹⁵ and Sack;¹⁶ and that you ask five hundred guineas for them. Should you find no one give you that sum you may have from me four hundred pounds. Not one sixpence more will I give and therefore I wish you make a better bargain,
Yours truly'*

1834

No. 134

Ralph Bernal¹⁷ to Isaac

11 Park Crescent, Portland Place, London, Sunday morning, 7th December 1834

'Dear Sir,

.....I can have time to come down to Wardour Street to your house this day.....I can therefore contrive to be at your house in Wardour Street this day at Twelve o'clock or by five minutes after, this will be the best way of assessing, for there will be light enough in the back part of your house to see the glass etc etc knowing already what these articles are in some measure; a little time will be sufficient.'

1834

No. 135

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

Crown Hotel, Rochester, 8th December 1834

'Dear Sir,

I would be obliged to you, to write to me a few lines by return of post addressed to me to the Crown Hotel as above, to let me know if you have yet been able to obtain your clocks from the Custom House. I shall thank you to take care of the good clocks you spoke of, and also the cabinet (inlaid), the gilt metal dish and jug, stained glass, and other articles etc etc as you kindly promised, until my return, to attend me the opportunity and power(?) of acquiring them, if I should be so disposed, and I will take care to be as expeditious as possible, in deciding as soon as I return. – I hope that Mrs Isaac is well and I remain dear Sir your obliged

R Bernal

Be so good as to look for the seats and legs for the chairs'

(inside this letter is a draft in pencil in reply from Isaac to Bernal)

'I have not yet collected my clocks from the custom house and in respect of the other articles you mention I will keep them for your decision until the early part of next week. I now (---?) (---?) to add that on Monday morning, before I could put the collection of glass away a Gentleman of known (---?) and judgement, who came to town on purpose to view my last importation, and who was (---?) dreadfully disappointed when I informed him that this whole of this glass was sold and further when I had time on Sunday afternoon to extract from my (---?) the (---?) (---?) of them (---?) of the Malish(?)collection of glass, I find, that instead of being a (---?) way of disposing of the whole to (---?) I shall after paying the Duty of Freight be actually minus a few pounds, this allowance (---?) to say is very (---?) after they (---?) been valued at £300.'

1835

No.183

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac

Goodrich Court 21st Feb 1835

'Esteemed Sir'

'I wish exceedingly something would induce you to visit this place as by seeing what there is here you could judge what is wanting. That however is very little and I think that since the additions of Mr Douce's¹⁸ antiquities you would be quite astonished at the immense quantity of valuable curiosities.'

1835

Add 1 No. 30

Sarah Isaac to Isaac

London 15th May 1835.

'I regret to say that I have only taken four pounds since I last wrote to you, and that was for four gilt pewter plates, of young Mr Rothschild of Paris, the same as bought the ewer and dish. This as all I have done nearly three weeks. I really think this business will drive me crazy.'

1835

Add 1 No.31

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Fürth, Germany 22nd May 1835

(Isaac writes that he has bought)... *'two real pictures by Canaletto, cost £5.0.0.'*

(Isaac also has bought a Venetian Glass Bowl and Cover)... *'it cost me £2.10.0., but independently of Mr Bernal I am sure it is worth £30 or £40. You can now make him really mad and tell him that I have been offered £34 English money for it.'*

'I am very good friends with your father but his conduct is so unfeeling that I don't think any body but myself could agree with him. I shall most likely pay him his year's money before I leave him.'

'You had better not tell Bernal any thing more about the Glass with the exception of that one piece... You had better say that this letter is from Vienna and that I intend to post it part of the way home, so that I may be home for the holydays, but don't take this letter out at all before him, tell him what I write, for his eyes is dangerous (so knowing).'

1835

Add 1 No.33

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Fürth, Germany 1st Sept 1835

(Isaac writes that business is) *'Dreadful'*

'Two months ago Mr Sand has been here, and purchased all the common glasses I left, but from what I understand he did not find any good ones.'

'Mr Collin from Frankfurt a/M was also here, but I saw all he bought and there was nothing at all for me in his things. Pickett has nothing new nor any of the dealers here, and unfortunately the two boys Pickett Brother in laws they had a few things, but they are gone to Munich to sell them.'

1835

No. 136

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

Antwerp, 16th October 1835

'Dear Sir,

I think you will not mind paying the postage of a letter from me.....I have seen two or three large and handsome collections of glass and other antiquities and curiosities since I left England, and might have purchased some good things, if I had wished to, but as I have already many fine articles and am waiting to see your last acquisitions, I abstained, as I told you I would do; and I am sure I need not repeat that I trust and confide implicitly in your promise that both you and Mrs Isaac kindly made to me, to (---?) all the different matters already mentioned as being in (---?) of collecting until my return to London. As you know I prefer purchasing of you, to purchasing articles abroad. A Collector has kindly given me an (---?) catalogue of many objects in his cabinet, I will have the pleasure of showing you on my return. There are indeed some very curious glasses in his cabinet, some of a kind I have not before seen....I heard a large collection of armour and arms had been on sale, I did not hear the name of the Town.....I have heard that the party wanted Seven or Eight hundred pounds..... Things of Curiosity are certainly not very cheap here; some matters nearly the same as in England.....I saw a very finely fluted antique opal glass mug with a handle and cover mounted in old gilt copper mounting but so much was asked for that, and there is plenty of opal glass about. I saw the names of some persons, whom you and I know, in the books of some collections.'

PS – I saw one collection (Private) of about 300 delft jugs and mugs, one a giant in size!

1835

No. 136(II)

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

Hotel Meurice, Rue de Rivole, Paris, 31st October 1835

'I quite coincide with you in opinion, that common place articles of curiosity are not worth purchasing at any price.....I had expected that it was not probable, I should make purchases in Paris, at all in your line – There have been (I find) many very superior specimens in Glass in Paris, and about a fortnight ago, after my arrival here, they were sold; I am pretty certain that they came from Venice; As I know almost all the quarters of this City, where the dealers in such matter are found I hear all that goes on in the curiosity way, and can tell you perhaps a good deal.'

'I was also somewhat surprised to be told here that you had written to Paris with a drawing, a description of your large pieces of glass, or at least one of them and named a price, and that a much lower price was offered – the pieces of glass were accurately described to me – I was much surprised to hear of this; as you promised to let me have the refusal of all these articles on my return.'

'they say here (Paris) that curious glass is dearer in London.....armour and etc is often cheaper in London than in Paris. It is strange they find fault with the painting

on the old German glass and say that they only like very elegant forms in Venetian Glass. I heard a dealer object to the Painting even on the superb jug that Mr Rousial(?) purchased in England. – they differ much here from our taste in England in such matters.'

1836

No. 249

Mr Ford¹⁹ to Isaac

Jermyn Street, London, 9th January 1836

'Mr Ford begs to inform Mr Isaac that he has set out the Sevres and Dresden China and the Marquetrie and (---?) furniture he intends parting with. He has (---?) them over at very low prices

The china & candlesticks £85

The furniture £115

Total £200

Mr Ford has offered Mr Isaac the (---?) and will be glad if he would call early on Monday as Mr Pratt,²⁰ Mr Baldock²¹ and a friend of Mr Ford's wish to take the whole lot.'

1836

No.184

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac

Goodrich Court 26th Sept 1836

'I assure you it is strict truth when I say you stand very high in my opinion and in corresponding terms I have spoken of you to all persons I thought likely to visit Wardour Street. Were it worth your while to bring Mrs Isaac to this part, I would give you proof by your reception here how greatly I esteem you.'

'I hear that in Regent Street there is some beautiful embossed armour. Is it what was Mr Broca's²² or what is it? I want a suit with steel (---?) and I think Germany is the place whence to procure it.'

1836

Add 1 No.40

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Venice 19th November 1836.

'I have hired here a very large warehouse which I have taken for a month for ten shillings, I have, please God, to fill it with fine goods.'

'This really must be the last journey in search of curiosities, for every time it is less, and it will not pay to come here to buy a few things. I should hope next year to bring you here for pleasure.'

'Before I left Furth I ordered one of those large Gothic arm Chairs out of Pugin's book; it is to cost £2.7. and by the time I return it is to be finished and also the man intends to make a model for my inspection of the sideboard.'

'I labour under the greatest disadvantage not being able to speak Italian...'

1837

No. 140

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

17 Waterloo Crescent, Dover, 31st October 1837

(addressed to Mr J C Isaac, or in his absence, Mrs Isaac)

'Mr Bernal presents his compliments to Mrs Isaac, and wishing to know when Mr Isaac is likely to return from the Continent, will be obliged to her to write to Mr Bernal a few lines... ..what curiosities he has acquired.'

1838

No.146

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

17 Waterloo Crescent, Dover, Friday 18th September 1838

'I don't wish you to do anything as to asking Pratt to shew you the articles, I (---?) (---?) any be unpleasant to you; I had conceived, as I had requested him so to do, he had answered that he would, that no difficulty should have occurred. I wish you could have merely sent out to me, a pen and ink outline of the two helmets, can you not do so now? I want to see the forms, to judge how for they be like mine, or in what they differ, do you know, will you perhaps? Also be so kind as to do this – also to inform me of the prices of these 2 helmets, and of the various other matters, musical cornet or instrument, (---?) of Prints, (---?) Spurs, Steel Hand, Powder Horn, (what part is wanting of Powder Horn?), Steel Seal(?)Spurs – bronze figures, knives and forks etc...'

Are the helmets (small drawing here) or Bourguignets (small drawing here)? I only wish for Sir S Meyrick's opinion as to the Salade, in order to tell Pratt that the Date is ascertained decisively. May I say to Pratt; that Sir S Meyrick having now seen it, he can be certain as to its date or what shall I say? ...'

'Do you remember ones (helmets) I have up in the old room, over the (---?) bottom cin(---?) Breastplate? (---?) is somewhat peaked?'

1838

No. 141

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

5th September 1838

'I hope the old glasses you mentioned were not broken – what sort of helmet is it? Be so good as to give me all the particulars you can of the different matters – I hope you

went to see the old Salade the small Venetian (---?) necklace, the lobster tail helmet at Pratt's as I wished you and let me know how you liked them.'

1838

No.142

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

17 Waterloo Crescent, Dover, 7th September 1838

'let me know about all the curious matters when they arrive in Wardour Street, as you know I have a lively interest in the subject. You have been rather brief in your description of the Salade helmet I really wish to have a more full (---?) (---?) of your opinion of it.....ask Mr H Pratt to show you the Lobster tail helmet, the Buckler, old Dagger and Scotch Double Sword.

You are aware that I have pleasure in shewing you any objects of antiquity.....and I always like also to have your opinion on them. Don't fail to write to me, and give me the description of your (---?) and your remarks on the articles in Bond Street.'

1838

No. 144

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

11th September 1838

'The Rafaelle ware is not now come yet, I believe, nor Dresden China'

'.....as to having put by, the specimens of old glass, the Silver cup, and the various other matters, for my approval; I make no doubt but that they will really please me.....giving me an account and particulars of all the unusual objects of curiosity, helmet, mace etc etc, jugs, china.....Pray be particular in describing the helmets, the (---?) and the candlesticks etc etc you could mention the Old Mace.....next to seeing them, as I am at this distance, it tends to afford me much amusement, and your description can be well relied upon – with respect to the Salade at Pratt's, there appears to have been some little misunderstanding as to the supposed date; Samuel Pratt said it was about the time of Henry 5th to Edward 4th (I think), and in the British Museum is an old illuminated MS there and (I hear) (---?) men painted with such salades. I never saw one of these salades before. You know that the time of Henry 6th, Richard 3rd and the first part of Henry 7th's reign and all close together as to time – Richard the 3rd reigning so short a time. When you allude to the shape and ornament on top, what do you mean? I do not remember any ornament on the top; and as to shape; do you mean the tailed peak behind? (small drawing included here) I am very desirous that you should see the other articles at Pratt's, and believe me I am most careful in not committing you in any (---?) Indeed I wrote to Henry Pratt lately, to show you other things, and this morning received a letter from him, out of which I have cut an extract (which I now include herein)'

(the letter here includes a small strip from Pratt's letter) –

'47 New Bond Street, September 11th 1838.....'

'I shewed Mr Isaac's your Salade and I believe he was much pleased with it. I will, when he calls on me again, shew him your other articles.'

'.....I suppose Sir S Meyrick himself saw my Salade at Pratt's – did he not? Therefore of course he will have expressed his opinion as to the date of it to H Pratt, let me know if you please.'

1838

No. 145

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

14th September 1838

'your account and descriptions of opinion about the Salade is very clear; one thing only you omit (namely) to mention, whether Sir S Meyrick expressed his opinion as to its date, to Pratt or not? Because here after in any concentration about it a similar matter with Pratt, it will be (?) for me to know beforehand, whether Sir S Meyrick's opinion may be referred to?

I am much pleased about the Silver Cup and the old embossed white jug 1573 – I recollect something of the plate and the Cup in Shaw's work but I thought there was some Enamel about it in Shaw's specimen.....

If you hear of the curious matters in Bond Street, write to me.

Antique Silver Cup

Embossed White Jug

Old Early Mace

Old Venetian col Glass

Ditto Ruby Glass

Helmet

Be sure to describe to me the Henry VII Knight's helmet, just make a sketch of it with your pen in your letter (an outline etc) has it peaks? Or a visor? Or a little door? Or what other particulars because it might be suited well for my collection!

I have had a Bourguinet with a door lying for some time at Pratt's, tell Henry to shew it to you. I can say (candidly) that I have always much pleasure in acquiring objects of curiosity through you I always feel a confidence about them.

Describe your plain old steel suits of armour, also mention the number of pieces they consist of, date, style, etc etc

1838

No. 150

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

September 27th 1838

'...I received a letter from Mr Henry Pratt in which he mentions (in reply to my inquiry) that Sir Samuel Meyrick had been in Town and had seen my visioed Salade, (he had called 2 or 3 times in Bond Street, but had not stayed long, or given any opinion on any of the articles he saw). That he certainly was greatly pleased with the Salade. – now favor me with your opinion, as to whether I should communicate at once with Henry Pratt, that I shall intend to write to Sir S Meyrick to request the

advantage of his opinion as to the Salade as to its date etc...or what should I do? You will observe how careful I am.'

'In another part of the letter H Pratt mentions that you had seen my Lobster tailed helmet and buckler(?) and that he is satisfied you are found of everything good and curious.'

(Isaac calls the helmet) – 'a very fair specimen'.

'I do not intend to give much (---?) prices(?) to this Lobster tail helmet, how is this? Tell me candidly, for here I really thought it would please you: in what is it deficient as a fine specimen? I own my ignorance on inexperience, never having seen one of this kind perfect before...'

'I originally told Samuel Pratt "is this not an Indian or Eastern buckler (?)" for if so "I would not have it"; but he was quite positive in this matter, as to its being European. Mr McSaw(?) the clever Painter and Actor whom I saw at the Armoury, painting, pronounced it to be an Italian Shield (---?) buckler, I think he said Venetian. If however, there be the least uncertainty or doubt, I will not have the buckler, - I hate spurious things! Give me your candid and full opinion on this point, I will be very careful about not committing you in any way. I don't write about the Salade to Pratt till I hear from you...'

'What does your postscript allude to "as to the length of the peak behind" deciding "on the period", to the old Salade or to the Lobster tail helmet? Which?'

1838

No.151

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

October 3rd 1838

'I wrote to Sir S Meyrick, requesting the favour of his opinion on several matters. I did not mention your name, for a very good reason, because, I thought perhaps, hereafter, if I had done so, it might appear to mix you up in any matter when I had to communicate his opinion elsewhere...'

1838

No.152

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

October 12th 1838

'I have had the pleasure of receiving two most kind and polite letters from Sir Samuel Meyrick, in which he has given me all the information I could expect, in reply to my inquiries. I described the (---?) Buckler as well as I could the first time, but in my second letter to him, I was enabled to send a pretty accurate sketch of the Buckler in 3 pictures, shewing its form and center etc etc... Sir S Meyrick, in answer to my first letter (before he saw the sketch) said, if it were composed of concentric circles of iron

studded with brass nails, it might have belonged to a Hallindace(?) of the time of Henry 8th, as appears in a painting of the embarkation of that King at Dover...'

'...after Sir S Meyrick had seen the sketch...he informs me that the Buckler is decided by (---?) and of the time of Henry 8th, and that he should not be surprised, if it were English, as one similar was found in Shropshire and (---?) called Roman.'

'Sir S Meyrick is a perfect Master of all authorities and is very kind in affording such correct information.'

'with respect to my old brass mail (---?)Jacket: Sir S M remarks that when he saw it at Mr Colnaghi's²³ he conceived from its ornaments, it to be European and I may have assigned it to Henry 7th though he cannot exactly (---?) he adds that it could depend on the length of the skirt, if not above 3 inches, he should say Richard 3rd if longer, Henry 7th – we must have an antiquarian conversation on all these matters when I am in Town. I should observe that it is mentioned that the Shield found in Shropshire is engraved in a Publication of the Antiquarian Society...'

1839

No.155

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

September 11th 1839

'I shall be obliged to you to let me know when your importations arrive...the antique candlestick...the antique chased silver salt cellar...'

'...have you seen anything new of the Messrs Pratt? I find I am much too humble a person to be recollected by them always...these Grand Days of Tilting have put me quite in the background'.

1839

No.158

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

Ryde, Isle of Wight, October 1st 1839

'I remark(?) that you allude to "money being very scare at present", with respect to some sales you made: now if a little trifle can be of any service to you, before my winter in Town, pray let me know, that I may have the pleasure of being of any assistance – I should wish of course, to have the German Salt Cellar put by as well as the fine (---?) one, ...'

1839

No.160

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

October 6th 1839

'...By the by, I don't remember that you have mentioned a curious box or casket which you formerly told me of, something in the way of the Steel one (I think) you sold to Mr Magniac²⁴ ...'

'...perhaps you will oblige me, by not shewing the Italian salt cellar and the other desirable matters, to too many persons as it is a pleasure to have it all to oneself at first...what are our Tournament friends doing?'

1839

No. 191

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac

Goodrich Court, 13th Nov 1839

'Dear Sir,

My good friend Mr Martin, Norray King of Arms, writes me word that he has called on you and says you have "a tripod spike brass candlestick of Henry 2nd's time, which is not very handsome. It is formed of lizards heads for the feet and their tails supporting the candlestick." If you think it worthwhile to send it me to look at and state the price in the box...I will try to see if we can make a deal.'

'I am very sorry I did not see Mr Bernal's collection of candlesticks as you wished...however I am in London in June next...and if so perhaps you will appraise him of my wish and ask permission for me.'

'The two windows for which I want the crimson and amber brocadillo are each 8 feet wide and 10 feet high.'

1839

No.192

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac

Goodrich Court, 16th Nov 1839

'Not only armour, but everything else is now so high priced that I fear I shall be obliged entirely to give up collecting...'

(Meyrick refers to a candlestick that Isaac sent him)... 'you are also aware that the price asked is more than I gave Swaby for the enamelled pair that are at least fifty years older and are spiked not nozzled. I think Mr Martin was wrong, the candlestick is curious and though not actually handsome, well designed for the age. It may be of Henry 2nd's time, but I think it much more likely to be of the time of one of his sons. As for the cup I cannot think it either rare or curious. It is not so old as the Demonstra I had from you, though that was only of the time of Henry 7th (here 8th has

been crossed out and 7th inserted) *and looks very much as if the 'upper was not of the same age as the lower part.'*

1839

No.193

Sir S R Meyrick to Isaac

Goodrich Court, 20th Nov 1839

'My Good Sir,

The high opinion I have of you is solely the result of your own honourable conduct, which during a period of twenty years strict observance I have invariably found to be the same. Your dealings have always been grounded in such justifiable principles that I feel more pleasure in making purchasers of you than of any one else, and in this sentiment I am sure Mr Bernal coincides.'

1840

No.161

Ralph Bernal to Isaac

November 4th 1840

'I would advise you to reflect a little, before you decide on going to the Continent at this Season; things are not yet settled and a little time must soon determine the state of affairs. I had a letter from Venice, lately in which your name is mentioned. I am informed that most of the pallazzi are entirely stripped of everything nothing to be got; at one call known to you, a knocker only (---?) which they would not sell. I was not aware that Mr Samuel Pratt had returned, where has he been? Is Mr Baldock returned?'

'...the little addition to my third room is intended for better accommodation for my glass, including my two mirrors at your house.'

1841

No. 305

sender unknown to Isaac

Simmonds Hotel, Conduit Street, February 6th 1841

'...will you promise to keep the large glass frame near the window for the which I was looking at yesterday with another gentleman, and if you will have it varnished and packed for me I will give you what you ask for it. 40 pounds...I wish only to have the largest frame of the two, the one near the window...'

1841

Add 1 No.52

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Cologne, Germany, 22nd August 1841.

'Mr Sl Pratt and his wife has passed through here two days ago...I have seen nothing new by any of the dealers, and for what Rubbish they have got, they ask fifty times what it is worth in England, and there has been a great many buyers here, so there is really nothing to do.'

'Mr Pratt lodged where I do, and the waiter told me that he only bought a large jug and two daggers...I do not think Pratt will gain his expenses, for if I wanted it, as I did a few years ago, the business would make me half crazy.'

1841

Add 1 No. 53

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Wurzburg, Germany, 25th August 1841.

'I arrived Monday evening at Frankfurt and immediately learnt from Mrs Collins that Pratt had been there, in the course of the Day, and offered her for three crystal Cups and a Ivory tankard about 80 gns, on condition that she would take a bill on his house in Bond Street. She asked my opinion, if he was good, but, you know my way, I never interfere with any body, but still she sayed she understood me. At one of the Oppenheimers he also look'd out a large lot of silver at a good price, and wanted to pay for it after it arrived in London; but it was no go there, so I suppose he has not got much money.'

1841

Add 1 No.50

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Venice 12th Oct 1841.

'Since I wrote to you, I have bought a most beautiful Doge chair, repaired and fresh Gilt in parts (picked out like it was originally) cost me £4 but I will never take less than £20 for it.'

'And also I purchased five paintings, three views of Venice by Canaletto and two small very fine Holy Familys, one by Caracci and the other by Paris Bordone. They cost me £25.12.0. the five.'

'I don't intend writing to Mr Bernal, so if he calls you can say you are rather surprised, for I wrote you that I had intended to write to him, for I think it is better to say nothing till I, please God, return and receive my things.'

'I dare say Mr Pratt is returned before this, but I should very much doubt his doing any good, for I think it is quite done up with travelling, Bargains is not likely to be

met with at all, and without good luck in selling the things, it will not pay. But at the same time, without the goods one stands no chance at all.'

1842

No. 318

Henry William Brown²⁵ to Isaac

Heaton Hall, Leeds, 15th April 1842

'I wish you would tell me if you have been to view the articles entrusted for sale at Strawberry Hill and what you think of them generally, and if you are of opinion they will be sold at remarkable prices...I should also wish to know if you will undertake accompanying (---?) me to purchase such things as I may (---?) the Catalogue, and what could you charge for such...'

1844

Add 1 No. 63

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Munich, Germany, 23rd March 1844.

(Issac writes concerning the purchase of brass candlesticks and Venetian glass etc) – 'most of these things will suit Mr Bernal. In fact they are, I think, a little lot of saleable Trash, as Sir John Erskine use to call it.'

'In Nuremburg I bought of Mr Bernheim, who you will recollect was in London, two small very fine carved frames, cost about £1, and is worth I think at least £8. He really is a very quiet good sort of man, but he has got nothing at all, except a few old mended China groups & figures, so he will never I think come to London again.'

'The principal dealers here and elsewhere has nothing but unsaleable useless things, in Furniture, bad Ivory, Broken China etc.'

1844

Add 1 No.64

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Venice 2nd April 1844.

'I think please God I will show Mr Bernal that I can do some business yet, and perhaps revive his taste for really fine things, although he praised the taste of Mr Forrest for buying modern china, Buhl clocks and tables and other useful saleable furniture, articles as merchandise, but for those articles I have described to you, indeed my Dear Sarah I really don't want Mr Bernal; I hope to find a better customer than him...'

'Mr Zen, who you will recollect I have purchase largely from before and used to send those fine things to Emanuel has nothing at all; and has commenced business in Stationary and Colours for Artists – that is a proof there is nothing more here.'

1844

Add 1 No.61

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Fürth by Nuremburg 13th April 1844.

'I have likewise purchased a Carved Ivory Casket of the 13th century if not earlier. It is the most rich and finest thing of that period I ever saw. In fact, without any nonsense, the British Museum ought to purchase it, for it is of such a decided character. Mr Bernal has nothing like it, nor Sir Saml Meyrick either. The style and character is very rare. It cost my Dear Sarah, £3.0.0. but I hope it will bring at least £15.0.0., in fact, it is worth £50.'

'I believe the Bendorffers in Munich has given the Curiosity shop up, and no one that I know seems to be doing well in the business.'

1844

Add 1 No.67

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Venice 24th April 1844.

'I have bought ten very large and fine Gilt carvings for a catholic Church, unlike any you have ever seen; they cost me £20 I have packed them in four large cases which will cost about £10 freight and I reckon £10 duty (carvings and Picture frames only lay 10 per cent) which makes £40, but I am sure Mr Hull²⁶ would give me at least £100 for them.'

'I have certainly a great many things in Mr Bernal's way, but if he has no money, it is more difficult to deal with him.'

'I was glad to hear Henry Pratt called at our house for I do not wish to fall out with them.'

(Isaac mentions that The Hon. R. Curzon, Secretary to the Turkish Ambassador in Constantinople is in Venice and wanted to buy things from Isaac, but he does not want to sell to him) – *'his buying here does me no good.'*

'he (Curzon) thinks himself a great judge of these matters, he says he don't think Pratt understands much...'

'You can tell Mr Bernal that the reason I did not write to him, was because I have not bought anything like what he admired in Forrest's²⁷ shop, and I thought very early and fine things did not interest him anymore.'

1844

Add 1 No.69

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Venice 9th May 1844.

'There has arrived here Four picture dealers from London, one has a shop in Wardour Street; they have come for the sale of Cardinal Fesch in Rome, but they have done nothing at all...they are lodging here in the same hotel, but with the exception of seeing them for a few minutes in the morning, they know nothing what I am doing here. I think it is better to make myself scarce, for they want to ask a great many questions which I don't want to answer.'

1844

Add 1 No.72

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Venice 6th Sept 1845.

'By the bye, I have also bought a very fine carved chest front, cost £2.16.0. I think it is as fine as the one Chest Pratt sold to Mr. ; this is a battle and worth £12 at least. Pratt wanted £100 for his chest.'

'I think if I can get a certain class "Trash" it will be better than nothing at all.'

1855

Add 1 No.83

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Venice 4th Sept 1855.

'Some of the Rothschild Family is here at present...they tell me here they bought several things, Glass and Raffael Ware etc and to shew you the state of the market, Mr Riatti, the one in Ghetto (not the rich one) had two very much broken raffael ware plates in his hand, and as he informed me had just returned from Mr Tironi, who had offered him 20 napoleons for them or £16. But he refused that sum for them, one had a date 1500 (and something – either 30 or 40)...So anything with early dates and of that kind, they are quite awake to.'

1857

Add 1 No.90

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Fürth, Germany, 28th August 1857.

'I heard of a Collection in Baden, so off I went; when I came there, Mr Mawson²⁸ had been there a week before, and purchased I believe for about £80'.

'I purchased...a most beautiful Carved Ivory Dyptick (it is possible the Ivory is modern), but I positively believe it to be not only original but very fine Gothic Work...and you will allow that I can detect a modern thing, as soon as anyone.'

1857

Add 1 No 102

Isaac to Sarah Isaac

Venice Sunday 11 Oct 1857.

'My Ever Dear and Beloved Sarah',

'Yesterday Mr & Mrs Webb call'd on me; they are travelling in rather a good style'.

'He had been to Mr Zen & bought Four Bottles with handles, which he wished me to send home'.

'I shewed him a very small round silverbox, cost me 16/-, which he wanted to put in his pocket and made me promise to sell it to him in London at whatever price I like. I think it is by Cellini, and as I have a great deal of Rubbish, one or two things must pay'.

¹ Dr Sir Samuel Rush Meyrick (1783-1848), noted antiquary, he was elected FSA in 1810 and published widely on antiquarian subjects, especially armour, on which he was considered the main authority at the time. Meyrick's father John Meyrick (d.1805) was also a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries and a collector of antiquities. Samuel Meyrick trained as an advocate and practised from 1812 to 1823. He married in 1803, against the wishes of his father and as a consequence was disinherited. The wealth of his family came as a result of the activities of his grandfather and father as army agents. His father's property eventually was devolved to Samuel's own son, Llewellyn (1804-37), who was also a noted collector of armour, and who predeceased his father leaving all his property to Sir Samuel. Meyrick was conferred with the Royal Hanoverian Order by William IV in 1832, and was made Knight Bachelor in the same year, in recognition of his rearrangement of the armour collections at the Tower of London and Windsor Castle. Meyrick lived at Goodrich Court, Ross, Herefordshire (demolished in the 1950s), a Gothic revival castle which was built to the designs of the architect Edward Blore during 1828-37. Meyrick's London address was 3 Sloane Terrace during the 1810s and later he lived at 20 Upper Cadogan Place, where his collections of arms and armour were first open to select visitors from 1820 prior to their relocation to Goodrich Court in 1831.

² A small five pointed headed mace.

³ Rev Champion John Dymoke (d.1873) was the father of the last Champion of England, Henry Dymoke (1801-1865). The Dymoke's family seat was Scrivelsby Court, Horncastle, Lincolnshire, a medieval house which was devastated by fire in the 18th century and much rebuilt. Henry Dymoke performed the ancient ceremony of the Champion at the coronation of George IV in 1820, as the representative of his father John, by special permission of the King, Dymoke being debarred from taking part by virtue of being a cleric.

⁴ John Henry Manners (1778-1857), 5th Duke of Rutland, succeeded to the title in 1787. The family seat is Belvoir Castle, Rutland (now Leicestershire). The 5th Duke was a trustee of the British Museum.

⁵ Captain Henry Augustus Langley, Brittas Castle, Thurles, County Tipperary, Ireland. Langley was a captain in the 6th Dragoon Guards, and was rebuilding Brittas Castle during the 1820s, after it suffered a fire in about 1820. The rebuilding was extensive and was undertaken with the assistance of the architect William Vitruvius Morrison but was left uncompleted when Langley was killed by falling masonry on 30th August 1834. Only the gate-tower remains.

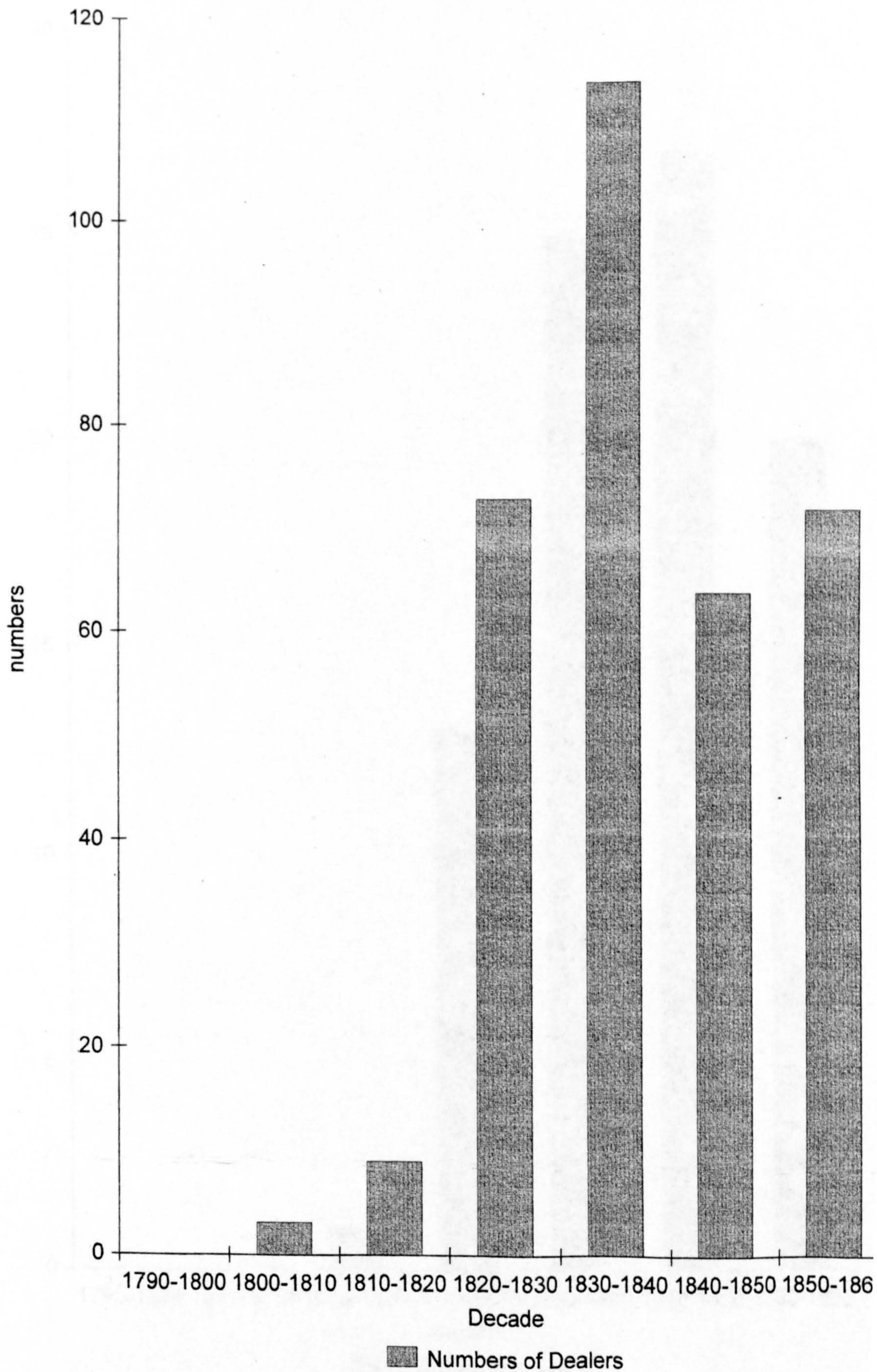
⁶ Bernard Brocas, noted antiquary and collector, an auction sale of the collection of Military Antiquities etc of Bernard Brocas took place in 1834, the sale catalogue is notable as the first to include illustrations of armour.

⁷ John Talbot (1791-1852), created 16th Earl of Shrewsbury & Waterford in 1827. The family seat was Alton Towers, Staffordshire, designed by Talbot with the help of the architect A.W.N. Pugin (1812-52).

⁸ John Swaby, curiosity dealer, 109 Wardour Street, London.

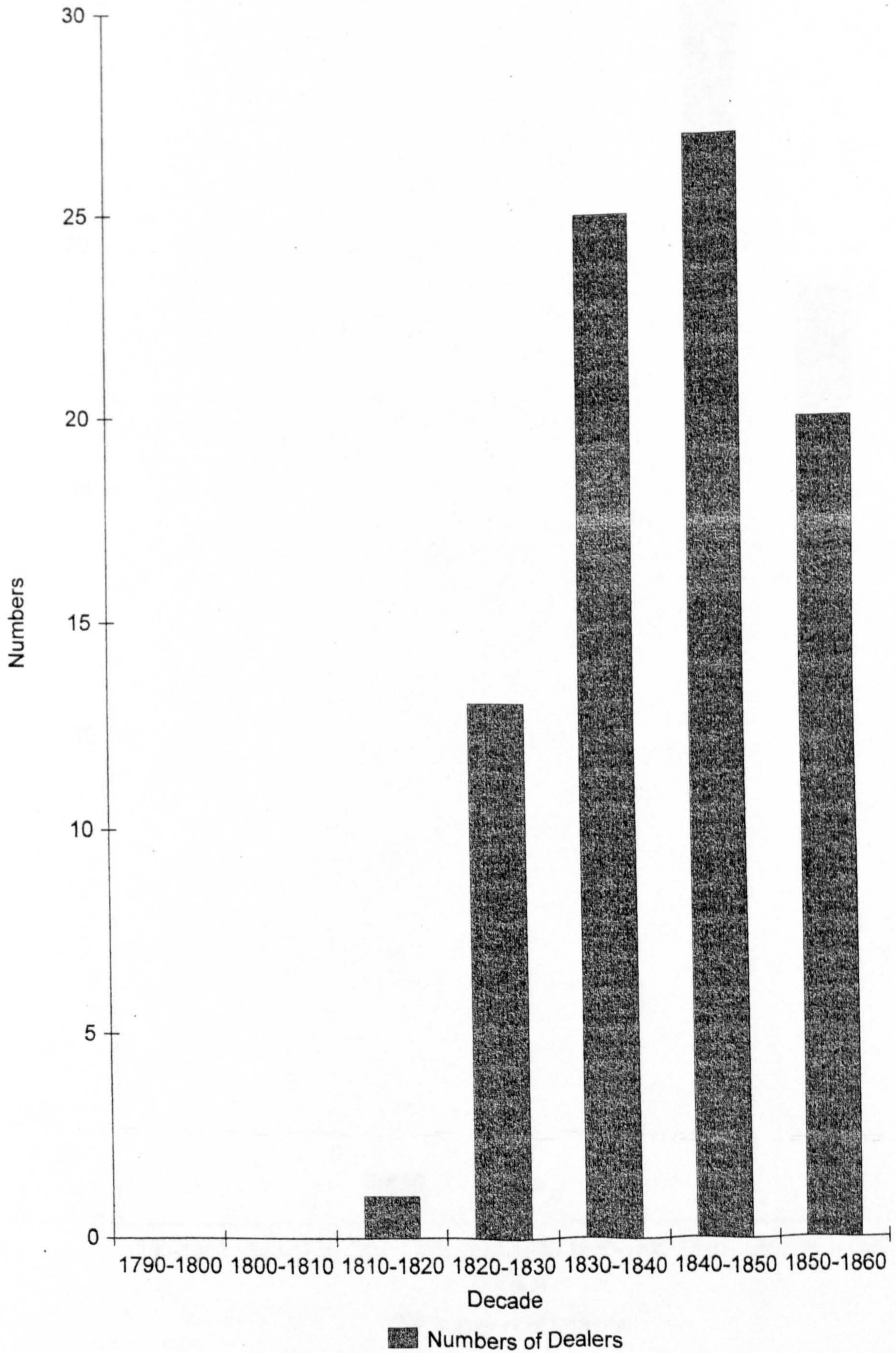
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- ⁹ Francis Martin, (1767-1848), was the eldest son of Francis Martin, Secretary to the Bank of England, and was one of Sir Samuel Rush Meyrick's closest friends. Martin was appointed Norroy King of Arms in 1839
- ¹⁰ Sir John Erskine of Torry (1776-1836), of Fife, Scotland.
- ¹¹ John Webb (1799-1880), curiosity dealer, 8 Old Bond Street, London.
- ¹² Abraham Hertz, curiosity dealer, Regent Street, London.
- ¹³ Wimpfen & Goldsmidt, curiosity dealers trading from Frankfurt, Germany.
- ¹⁴ Thomas Gwenapp, curiosity dealer, 20 Lower Brook Street, London.
- ¹⁵ John Edward Collingwood Bentley, curiosity dealer, 5 Wigmore Street, London.
- ¹⁶ Perhaps Israel Sack, curiosity dealer.
- ¹⁷ Ralph Bernal (c.1783-1854), was a well known collector and politician, he is recorded at various addresses in London and eventually retired to live at 75 Eaton Square, London. Bernal was called to the Bar in 1810, but inherited a large property in the West Indies and preferred a Parliamentary life than that of a barrister. Bernal was MP for Lincoln 1818-20 and for Rochester 1820-41, for the Whig party. He was also president of the British Archaeological Society. His collection was sold at auction by Christie's in 1855, after being offered to, and declined by, the British Government.
- ¹⁸ Francis Douce (1757-1834), antiquary and Keeper of Manuscripts at the British Museum. He bequeathed his collections of medieval objects to Sir Samuel Rush Meyrick.
- ¹⁹ Richard Ford Esq was born in London and trained as a lawyer. He moved to Spain and wrote *Handbook for travellers to Spain* (1845). He returned to England in 1834 and bought Heavitree House, which he rebuilt in Andalusian style (demolished in the 1960s).
- ²⁰ Samuel and Henry Pratt, curiosity dealers, 47 New Bond Street, London.
- ²¹ Edward Holmes Baldock (1777-1845), curiosity dealer, Hanway Street, London.
- ²² Bernard Brocas, (d.1834), antiquary and collector. See also endnote 6.
- ²³ Paul & Dominic Colnaghi, print sellers, art dealers and curiosity dealers, Pall Mall East, London.
- ²⁴ Hollingworth Magniac, collector and antiquarian. His collection was sold at auction in 1892.
- ²⁵ Henry Williams Brown, antiquarian collector, he was perhaps the son of William Williams Brown, who was recorded as a member of the Northern Society for the Encouragement of the Arts in 1823.
- ²⁶ Edward and George Hull, curiosity dealers, 109 Wardour Street, London.
- ²⁷ William Forrest, curiosity dealer, 54 Strand, London.
- ²⁸ Samuel Moses Mawson (1793-1862), art dealer, curiosity dealer and agent of Lord Hertford.

Curiosity Dealers
Growth of Curiosity Dealers in London

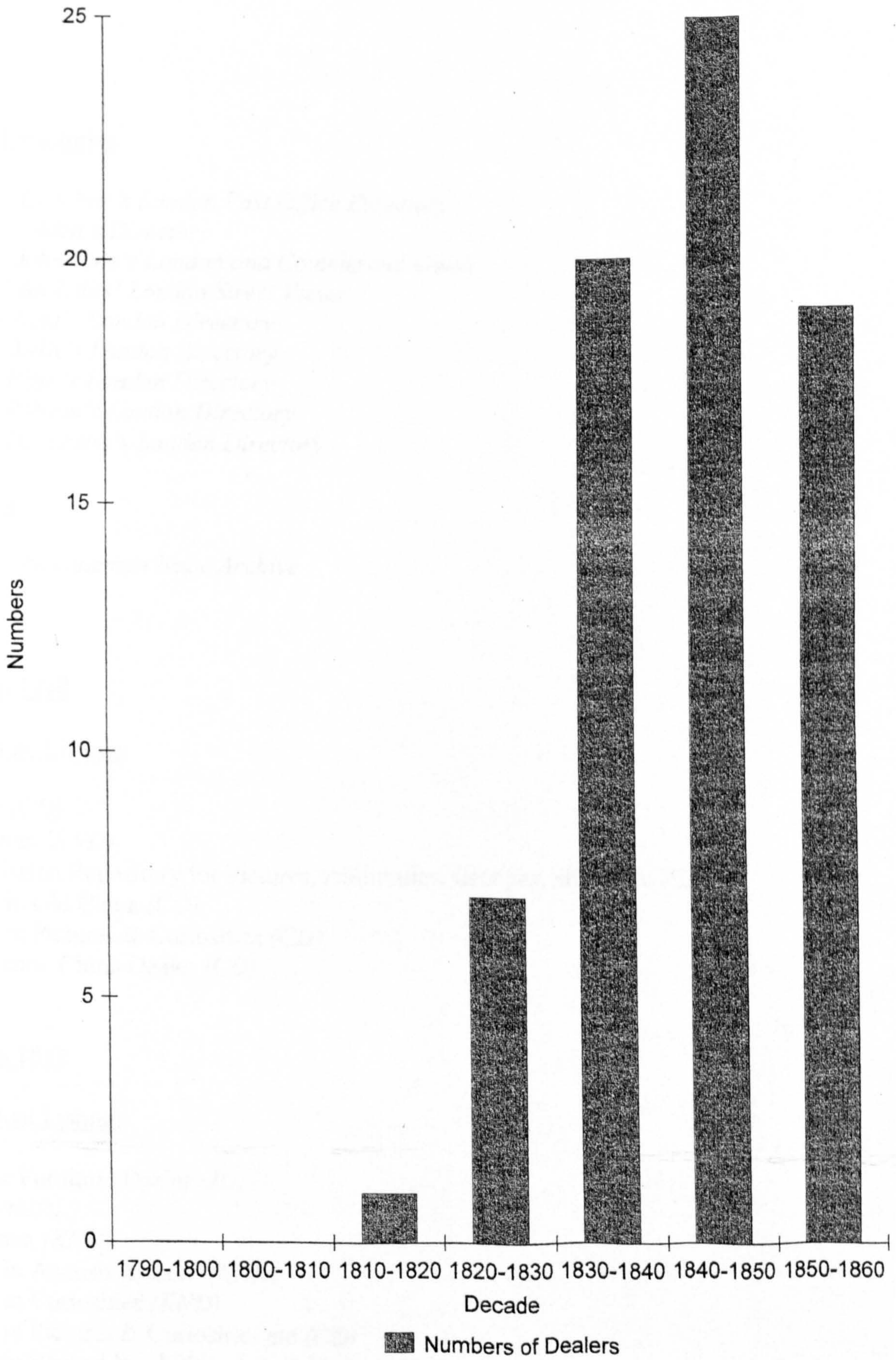


Antique Furniture and China Dealers

Growth of Antique Furniture Dealers



Curiosity Dealers Growth of Dealers in Wardour Street



APPENDIX IV

Trade and Dealer Descriptions & Classifications 1800-1850

KEY

Trade Directories

CD - - *Critchett's London Post Office Directory*
HD - - *Holden's Directory*
JD - - *Johnstone's London and Commercial Guide*
JT - - *John Tallis' London Street Views*
KND - *Kent's London Directory*
KYD - *Kelly's London Directory*
PD - - *Pigot's London Directory*
RD - - *Robson's London Directory*
TD - - *Thompson's London Directory*

Archive

JC - - *John Coleman Isaac Archive*

1800 to 1810

Individual Listings

Broker (*CD*)
Chinaman (*KND*)
Commission Repository for Pictures, Antiquities, Bronzes, Shells etc (*CD*)
Dealer in Old China (*CD*)
Dealer in Pictures & Curiosities (*CD*)
Ornamental China Dealer (*CD*)

1810 to 1820

Individual Listings

Antique Furniture Dealer (*JD*)
Broker (*HD*)
Chinaman (*KND*)
Dealer in Ancient Armour (*KND*)
Dealer in Curiosities (*KND*)
Dealer in Pictures & Curiosities etc (*CD*)
Dealer in Second-hand Plate and all kinds of Curiosities (*HD*)

Furniture Broker (*JD*)
Museum and Antiquarian Repository (*JD*)
Ornamental China Dealer (*CD*)
Repository for Antiquities (*KND*)

Separate Categories

Dealers in Natural and Antiquarian Curiosities (*JD*) (4 entries in 1817)

1820 to 1830

Individual Listings

Antique Furniture Dealer (*RD*)
Antique Furniture Importer (*CD*)
Antique Furniture and Ornamental China Dealer (*CD*)
Broker (*RD*)
Chinaman (*CD*)
Curiosity Warehouse (*RD*)
Dealer in Antiquities (*RD*)
Dealer in Artificial Curiosities (*RD*)
Dealer in Curiosities (*RD*)
Furniture Broker (*PD*)
Importer of Dresden Porcelain (*RD*)
Repository for Curiosities (*RD*)

Separate Categories

Curiosity, Shell & Picture Dealers (*PD*) (34 entries in 1826)
Ancient Furniture Importers (*RD*) (1 entry in 1829)
Antique Furniture & China Dealers (*PD*) (2 entries in 1829)
Curiosity Dealers (*RD*) (18 entries in 1829)
Furniture Brokers (*RD*) (40 entries in 1829)
Importer of Curiosities (*RD*) (1 entry in 1829)
Warehouses – China, Foreign (*RD*) (8 entries in 1829)

1830 to 1840

Individual Listings

Ancient Furniture Warehouse (*JT*)
Antique Furniture Dealer and Cabinet-makers (*RD*)
Antique Furniture and Carver & Gilder (*JT*)
Antique Lace Warehouse (*JT*)
Clocks, Curiosities & Works of Art (*JT*)
Curiosity Dealer (*RD*)
Curiosity and Foreign China Dealer (*RD*)
Curiosity Dealer and Importer of Dresden Porcelain (*RD*)

Dealer in Ancient Furniture (*JT*)
Dealer in Ancient and Modern Coins (*JT*)
Dealer in Foreign China & Ancient Furniture (*JT*)
Foreign China and Antique Furniture Warehouse (*RD*)
Foreign China and Curiosity Dealer (*RD*)
Furniture Broker (*RD*)
Importers of Ancient Furniture (*RD*)
Importers of Antique Furniture, Armour etc (*JT*)
Importer of Curiosities (*RD*)
Importer of Curiosities, China & Curiosities (*JT*)
Picture and Curiosity Dealer (*RD*)

Separate Categories

Curiosity, Shell & Picture Dealers (*PD*) (54 entries in 1832)
Antique Furniture & China Dealers (*PD*) (8 entries in 1832)
Antique and Foreign Furniture & China Dealers (*PD*) (15 entries in 1836)
Curiosity, Shell and Picture Dealers (*PD*) (34 entries in 1836)

Archive: Dealer Descriptions

Dealer in Curiosities (*JC*) (envelope address:1833)
Ancient Furniture Warehouse (*JC*) (envelope address:1834)
Antique Repository (*JC*) (envelope address:1834)
Importer of Foreign Curiosities & Carvings (*JC*) (envelope address:1834)
Curiosity Warehouse (*JC*) (envelope address:1835)
Broker (*JC*) (envelope address:1835)
Chinaman (*JC*) (envelope address:1836)
Curiosity Dealer (*JC*) (envelope address:1837)
Curiosity Shop (*JC*) (envelope address:1839)
Dealer in Antiquities & etc (*JC*) (envelope address:1838)

Importer of Dresden China & Curiosities (*JC*) (*trade card*, n.d. c.1830?)

1840 to 1850

Individual Listings

Ancient Furniture Dealer (*TD*)
Ancient Furniture Warehouse (*TD*)
Antique Furniture Dealer (*KYD*)
Cabinet-maker, Upholsterer & Importer of Ancient Furniture, Armour etc (*KYD*)
Carver and Curiosity Dealer (*TD*)
Curiosity Dealer (*KYD*)
Dealer in Ancient Coins (*KYD*)
Dealer in Ancient Furniture, Paintings & China etc (*KYD*)
Furniture Broker (*PD*)
Furniture Dealer (*TD*)

Gothic and Elizabethan Furniture Manufacturer (*KYD*)

Importer in Ancient Furniture (*KYD*)

Importer and Dealer in Curiosities (*KYD*)

Importers and Manufacturers of Buhl, Marquetric, Resner & Carved Furniture (*KYD*)

Archive: Dealer Descriptions

Curiosity Shop (*JC*) (envelope address:1842)

Dealer in Curiosities (*JC*) (envelope address:1841)

Picture Dealer (*JC*) (envelope address:1844)

Appendix V

LAST WILL & TESTAMENT OF JOHN COLEMAN ISAAC

Hartley Library, University of Southampton
MS 139/AJ53
No.104

'Copy of the will of John Coleman Isaac, dated 4th April 1887'

'John Coleman Isaac of No.20 Gordon Street, Gordon Square in the County of Middlesex, appoints his niece Matilda Levy of the same address as executive. Leaves his niece all his furniture... ..pictures, curiosities, objects of vertu etc

Leaves £19. 19s to each of the seven Institutions or bodies –

- (1) The Jews Orphan Asylum at Tenker Ground*
- (2) The Western Free School for Jewish Boys*
- (3) The Board of Guardians for the relief of Jewish Poor of 13 Devonshire Street, Queens Square*
- (4) The Soup Kitchen for the Jewish Poor of Fashion Street, Spitalfields*
- (5) The Society for Relieving the Jewish Aged Needy Instituted A.M.5589 David Hyams Esq being President*
- (6) The Western Jewish Philanthropic Institution*
- (7) The Western Synagogue of Saint Albans Place*

To his niece Fanny Simmons, widow of Mr Barrett Simmons of 8 King Street, Covent Garden - £1000

To his niece Elizabeth Levy - £2000

To his niece Caroline Levy, daughter of his late sister Abigail Sanders (married to Leon Levy of 359 Essex Road Islington) - £500

To his niece Phoebe Levy (widow of John Levy of Castle Street, Houndsditch) - £300

To his nephew Joshua Levy, now of Melbourne Australia - £500

To his nephew Simeon John Simmons, 31 Bedford Place - £200

And to his niece Matilda Levy, the residue of £300 per cent annuities, and the residue of his estate, leases, etc etc to Matilda Levy

*Witnessed by George Allen, 17 Carlisle Street, Soho, Solicitor
Edward Allen, his clerk*