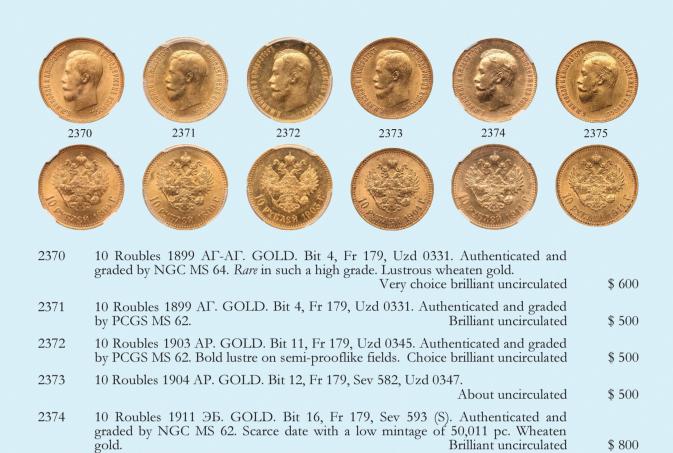
Nicholas II, 1894-1917

Extremely Rare 1895 Pattern Imperial



Pattern Imperial - 10 Roubles 1895 AΓ. GOLD. Bit 317 (R3), Fr 173, Ilyin (75 Rubl), Kazakov 26, Petrov (75 Rubl), Sev 549 (RRR). Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 61. Extremely rare and rarest of the 3 Imperial dates. Choice uncirculated \$125,000







Choice extremely fine / About uncirculated

10 Roubles 1911 95. GOLD. Bit 16, Fr 179, Sev 593 (S).



\$ 500

5 Roubles 1898 AΓ. GOLD. Bit 20, Fr 180, Sev 563, Uzd 0328. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 62. Very scarce year in high grade. Brilliant uncirculated \$300
5 Roubles 1909 ЭБ. GOLD. Bit 34 (R), Fr 180, Sev 588. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 66. Scarce date. Bold types, blazing lustre.

Superb brilliant uncirculated \$1,000
5 Roubles 1909 ЭБ. GOLD. Bit 34 (R), Fr 180, Sev 588. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS MS 64. Scarce date. Frosted devices.
Very choice brilliant uncirculated \$800





Coronation of Nicholas II Commemorative Rouble 1896 (AΓ). Bit 322, Sev 4035, Uzd 4197. Authenticated and graded by NGC Uncirculated Details Surface Hairlines. Lustrous. \$1,500



2381 Alexander II Memorial Commemorative Rouble 1898 AΓ. By A. Griliches. Bit 323 (R), Sev 4055, Uzd 4198 (S). Authenticated and graded by NGC AU 55. Steely gray, good lustre. \$5,000





Unveiling of Alexander II Memorial in Lyubech Commemorative Medallic Rouble 1898. By A. Griliches, Jr. Bit M328 (R2), Diakov 1262.1 (R2), Sm 1200. Bare Alexander II head l. / View of the Monument, Lyubech, Chernigov Gubernia legend across. Very rare. Pale lavender-gray over hairlines in fields.

About uncirculated

\$4,000



Unveiling of Alexander III Monument in Moscow Commemorative Rouble
1912 ΘΕ-ΑΓ. By A. Griliches. Bit 330 (R), Sev 4165 (RR), Uzd 4199 (R).
Authenticated and graded by PCGS MS 63. Lustrous with light golden toning.
Choice brilliant uncirculated \$25,000



2384 Centennial of the Napoelonic War Commemorative Rouble 1912 9B. Bit 334, Sev 4164 (R), Uzd 4200 (R). Authenticated and graded by PCGS MS 62. Brilliant uncirculated \$ 3,500 2385 Centennial of the Napoelonic War Commemorative Rouble 1912 9B. Bit 334, Sev 4164 (R), Uzd 4200 (R). A few reverse hairlines. Lustrous linen white silver. Brilliant uncirculated \$1,500 2386 Tercentenary of the Romanov Dynasty Commemorative Rouble 1913 BC. By Mikhail Skudnov. High relief. Bit 336, Sev 4180, Uzd 4201. Authenticated and graded by PCGS MS 62. Decent lustre. Brilliant uncirculated \$ 200



2387 Rouble 1895 AΓ. Bit 38, Sev 4026 (S), Uzd 2062. Authenticated and graded by PCGS MS 63. Pleasing strike, satiny. Choice brilliant uncirculated \$5,000

2388 Rouble 1896 AΓ. Bit 39, Sev 4033, Uzd 2066. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 62. Soft gray with pale russet hues. Brilliant uncirculated \$1,500



Rouble 1899 Φ3. Edge lettering Error. Kazakov 163var. The first letter of the mintmasters initials has been shifted and improperly punched. An intriguing and rare error described only by V. V. Kazakov.

Ex Joseph Lepczyk, Sale 42, October 29, 1981, East Lansing MI, lot 1561.

2390 - 2399: No Lots.



2400	Rouble 1903 AP. Bit 57 (R), Sev 4107 (R), Uzd 2136 (S). Authenticated and graded by NGC VF 30. Rare. Very fine	\$ 1,000
2401	Rouble 1905 AP. Bit 59 (R1), Sev 4118 (R), Uzd 2148 (R). Rare date. About very fine/good very fine	\$ 1,500
2402	Rouble 1913 9B. Bit 67 (R1), Sev 4177 (RR), Uzd 2195 (R). Authenticated and graded by NGC XF Details – Surface Hairlines. Very rare. At point of wear. Extremely fine	\$ 1,500
2403	25 Kopecks 1900. Bit 98 (R), Sev 4078 (S), Uzd 2113. Scarce date. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 62. Lovely multi-color tone Ex Legal Sodermann Collection on holder. Brilliant uncirculated	\$ 1,500

An Important Offering of Proof Minors Featuring Many Superb Examples!





2404



20 Kopecks 1905 СПБ-AP. Bit 105, Uzd 2149. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 64. Very choice brilliant PROOF 2404

\$ 1,000









20 Kopecks 1906 СПБ-ЭБ. Bit 106, Uzd 2155. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 66 CAMEO. Superb brilliant PROOF 2405









20 Kopecks 1907 СПБ- ЭБ. Bit 107, Uzd 2161. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 66. Superb brilliant PROOF 2406 Superb brilliant PROOF \$1,000







20 Kopecks 1910 СПБ-ЭБ. Bit 110, Uzd 2178. Authenticated and graded by 2407 PCGS PR 65 CAMEO. Gem brilliant PROOF







2408 20 Kopecks 1913 CΠБ-BC. Bit 115, Uzd 2200. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 62 CAMEO. Brilliant PROOF

\$ 750







2409 20 Kopecks 1914 CΠБ-BC. Bit 116, Sev 4184, Uzd 2209. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 62. Bold devices cameo in steely, reflective fields.

Brilliant PROOF

OF \$ 1,000







2410 20 Kopecks 1915 СПБ-ВС. Bit 117, Uzd 2214. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF

\$ 1,000







2411 20 Kopecks 1916 CΠБ-BC. Bit 118, Uzd 2218. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 66 CAMEO. Superb brilliant PROOF

\$ 1,000



2412



15 Kopecks 1903 СПБ-AP. Bit 129, Uzd 2139. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65 CAMEO. Gem brilliant PROOF 2412







to 2x

2414

15 Kopecks 1904 СПБ-AP. Bit 130, Uzd 2145. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65 CAMEO. Gem brilliant PROOF



\$ 1,000







to 2x

15 Kopecks 1906 СПБ-ЭБ. Bit 132, Uzd 2156. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF

\$ 1,000

\$ 1,000





2415





to 2x

15 Kopecks 1907 СПБ-ЭБ. Bit 133, Uzd 2162. Authenticated and graded by 2415 PCGS PR 64. Very choice brilliant PROOF



2417

2418



2419 15 Kopecks 1912 СПБ-ЭБ. Bit 137, Uzd 2184. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF \$ 1,000







to 2x

15 Kopecks 1913 СПБ-ВС. Bit 140, Uzd 2184. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF



\$1,000

\$ 1,000









to 2x

15 Kopecks 1914 СПБ-ВС. Bit 141, Uzd 2210. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 66. Superb brilliant PROOF 2421 Superb brilliant PROOF









15 Kopecks 1915 СПБ-ВС. Bit 142, Uzd 2215. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF 2422 \$ 1,000







to 2x

2423

15 Kopecks 1916 СПБ-ВС. Bit 143, Uzd 2219. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65 CAMEO. Gem brilliant PROOF



2425





15 Kopecks 1917 BC. Bit 144 (R), Sev 4201 (RR), Uzd 2224. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 65. Crisp types, satiny and lustrous. Gem brilliant uncirculated

\$ 300







to 2x

to 2x

10 Kopecks 1901 СПБ- Φ 3. Bit 152, Uzd 2117. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65 CAMEO. Gem brilliant PROOF Gem brilliant PROOF

\$1,000









to 2x

10 Kopecks 1902 СПБ-AP. Bit 154, Uzd 2134. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF 2426 \$ 1,000









to 2x

10 Kopecks 1903 СПБ-АР. Bit 155, Uzd 2140. Authenticated and graded by 2427 PCGS PR 63 CAMEO. Choice brilliant PROOF

\$ 1,000







2428 10 Kopecks 1905 CΠБ-AP. Bit 157, Uzd 2151. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65 CAMEO. Gem brilliant PROOF







\$ 1,000

\$ 1,000

\$ 1,000

2429 10 Kopecks 1906 СПБ-ЭБ. Bit 158, Uzd 2157. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 64 CAMEO. Gem brilliant PROOF







2430 10 Kopecks 1907 Bit 159, Uzd 2163. СПБ-ЭБ. Bit 152, Uzd 2117. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF \$1,000







2431 10 Kopecks 1910 СПБ-ЭБ. Bit 162, Uzd 2179. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF

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2434 10 Kopecks 1914 СПБ-ВС. Bit 167, Uzd 2211. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 65. Gem brilliant PROOF \$ 1,000



10 Kopecks 1917 BC. Bit 170 (R1), Sev 200 (RR), Uzd 2225. Rare. Authenticated and graded by PCGS PR 66. Marvelous strike on mirror-like fields. 2435 Superb Gem PROOF \$ 2,000





2442

2443



5 Kopecks 1915 СПБ-ВС. Bit 192, Uzd 2217. Authenticated and graded by PCGS 2444 PR 66. Superb brilliant PROOF \$1,000



5 Kopecks 1916. St. Petersburg. No mm. Bit 212 (R), B 96 (RR), Uzd 3950 (S). 2445 Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 64 RB. Rare date. Pale claret-red brown, handsome strike. Very choice brilliant uncirculated \$ 1,500



2446 3 Kopecks 1916. Bit 229, B 93, Uzd 3954. Authenticated and graded by PCGS MS 64 RB. Orange-red brown. Very choice brilliant uncirculated \$ 125 Ex Sincona, Auction 7, Zurich, Switzerland, October 9-12, 2012. Lot 1668. Comes with auction tag.

2447 2 Kopecks 1916. *St. Petersburg.* Bit 246, B 71, Uzd 3956. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 62 RB. Red-brown. Brilliant uncirculated \$ 100

2448 ¹/₄ Kopeck 1895 CIIB. Bit 278 (R), B 2, Uzd 3866. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 63 BN. Brown. Choice brilliant uncirculated \$1,000 Ex Sincona, Auction 7, Zurich, Switzerland, October 9-12, 2012, lot 1571



PATTERN 1 Kopeck 1916. St. Petersburg. Bit 373 (R3), B 2, Uzd 3959 (RR). Imperial eagle within beaded circle, around: МЪДНАЯ РОССІИСКАЯ МОНЕТА, spray below / Numeral within circle, plain field; around: 1916 ГОДА ОДНА КОПЪИКА. Authenticated and graded by PCGS SP 65 BN. Very rare. Rich deep orange-brown. Gem brilliant SPECIMEN Strike \$30,000



PATTERN ½ Kopeck 1897. Copper. Berlin mint. Bit 382 (R2), B 2 (R2). Crowned ornate cipher above spray / 2/1 ΜΚΫΒΠΟΚ 7981. In order not to copy Russian money exactly, the Berlin Mint deliberately made the legends read backwards. Authenticated and graded by NGC PF 64 BN. Very rare. Deep birch brown with a light silvery-blue undertone.

\$ 15,000

Russo-Finnish Coins

Alexander II







2463 10 Penniä 1875. Bit 655 (R1), Uzd 4714. Rare, key date.

About very fine

\$ 500







2464 1 Penni 1865. Bit 665, Uzd 4670. Searce, mintage: 515,000. Milk chocolate-brown.

Uncirculated \$ 250

2465 1 Penni 1870. Bit 669 (R), Uzd 4695. Rare, semi-key. Dark birch-brown.

Good extremely fine \$ 250

2466 1 Penni 1872. Bit 671, Uzd 4704. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 62 BN.

Choice uncirculated \$ 150

Ex Dr. John Lund Collection

Alexander III



240/	year of issue for Alexander III.	Choice almost uncirculated	\$ 600
2468	10 Markkaa 1881 S. Bit 228, Uzd 4725 (R). Scarce,	mintage of 100,000. Choice brilliant uncirculated	\$ 400
2469	10 Penniä 1889. Bit 242 (R), Uzd 4736. Mintage Dark caramel orange-brown, lustrous.	100,000. Rare. A few tiny spots. Uncirculated	\$ 250
2470	10 Penniä 1890. Bit 243 (R), Uzd 4740. Ran chocolate-brown.	x, mintage: 106,425. Lush milk Choice about uncirculated	\$ 250
2471	1 Penni 1881. Bit 249, Uzd 4726. Mintage: 600,0 NGC MS 64 BN. Bold strike, pleasing surfaces, o	00. Authenticated and graded by range highlights. Very choice brilliant uncirculated	\$ 250
	Ex Dr. John Lund Collection		

Nicholas II



2472 10 Markkaa 1904 L. Bit 392 (R1), Fr 6, Uzd 4780 (R). Mintage: 102,203. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 62. Rare. Lustrous straw gold.

Brilliant uncirculated \$1,500

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2473	2 Markkaa Small obv	a 1905 L. Bit 395 (I erse rim tap, once lig	R1), Uzd 4783. Ve htly cleaned.	<i>ry rare</i> , key date	, mintage: 24,543. Very fine	\$ 400
2474	2 Markkaa	a 1906 L. Bit 396, Uz	ed 4787. Mintage: 2	26,091. Some lu	Extremely fine	\$ 125
2475		a 1915 S. Bit 401, Us s, satiny lustre on ne			d by NGC MS 65. illiant uncirculated	\$ 100
2476	50 Penniä by NGC N	. 1914 S. Bit 405, Uz MS 64. Pale purple-g	d 4827. Mintage: 6 ray.	00,000. Authen Very choice br	ticated and graded illiant uncirculated	\$ 100
2477		1906. Bit 447, Uzd 4 se. Lovely blue under				\$ 200
	Ex Dr. John	Lund Collection				
2478		904. Bit 465, Uzd 47 d by NGC MS 64 RI			65. Authenticated illiant uncirculated	\$ 100

Medals of Nicholas II









Award Plaque. Silver. 44.9 x 50.9 mm. By Félix Rasumny. Exhibition of French and Russian Artists in Moscow, 1895. Diakov 1168.1 (R3), Sm --. Conjoined busts of two maidens left, palette with paints and brushed below / Five-line French legend, signed Φ. PA3VMHbIŬ at right. Very rare. Toned.

Choice extremely fine (800)

\$ 1,000

Russian-Jewish sculptor and medallist, Félix Rasumny was born in Sebastopol in 1870, but settled in France at an early age. He entered the Ecole des Arts décoratifs in Paris to study drawing and sculpting; then learned medalengraving with Paulin Tasset. By the end of the 1800's, he was a prodigious and important engraver of artistic, religious and prize medals.

Medal. Bronze. 68 mm. By V. Nikonov and M. Skudnov. Construction of the Cathedral of St. Vladimir. 1895. Diakov 1170.1 (R1), Sm 1115. Facing bust of Prince Vladimir, head ³/₄ left, holding cross, cathedral behind him, signed COU - ΠΡΟΦ. A. ΠΡΑΧΟΒЪ. – Β.ΗΙΙΚΟΗΟΒЪ / View of the Kievovladimirsky Cathedral, signed below by Skudnov. Some minor contact marks. Rich, dark caramel-brown.

\$ 400





2481 Medal. Bronze. 70 mm. By Jules Clément Chaplain. On the Visit of Nicholas II and Alexandra Feodorovna to France, 1896. Conjoined busts of Nicholas II and Alexandra right / Six-line legend and date, Russian and French Arms above. Diakov 1212.1 (R1), Sm --.

Extremely fine



Prize Medal. GOLD. 65.7 mm. 148.71 gm. By V. Nikonov. I.I. Vorontsov-Dashkov – Imperial St. Petersburg Trotting Horse Racing Society, 1895. Diakov 1172.1 (R5), Sm 1086. Vorontsov-Dashkov family Arms, motto SEMPER IMMOTA FIDES on scroll beneath, supported by a trotting and a rearing horse, signed by Nikonov below / Seven-line legend at center: ВЪ ЧЕСТЬ ГРАФА И.И. ВОРОНЦОВА-ДАШКОВА ЖЕРЕБЦАМЪ И КОБЫЛАМЪ 4хъ ЛЪТЪ ПРИЗЪ УЧРЕЖД. ВЪ 1895; around: ИМПЕРАТОРСКОЕ С-ПЕТЕРБУРГСКОЕ ОБШЕСТВО РЫСИСТАГО БЪГА. Engraved on edge: "АМАНАТЪ" 14 МАЯ 1912 г. Extremely rare and impressive. Light hairlines. Bold lustre.

\$ 40,000



Medal. Bronze. 56 mm. By A. Griliches, Jr. On the 50th Anniversary of the Nadezhda Company of St. Petersburg, 1897. Diakov 1255.1 (R1), Sm 1118. Train emerging from mountain tunnel, burning factory on seashore in distance, signed: ГРИЛ. СЫНЪ in exergue right / Anchor and laurel branch, sun rays behind. Rich chestnut.



Prize Medal. Silver. 41 mm. Unsigned. Russian Society of Agricultural Poultry Farming 1896. Diakov 1229.2var (R2), Sm --. Girl feeding hens and geese, branch at left / Five-line legend within wreath. Rare. Steely gray with pale turquoise highlights.

About uncirculated

Award Medal. Silver. 38 mm. <u>Unsigned (by P. Stadnitsky)</u>. **Imperial Russian Society of Fruit Growing, nd (1899)**. Diakov 1296.3 (R2), Sm 1133/c. Types as above. In period case (halves have separated). A few tiny obverse digs and light hairlines. Good lustre.

About uncirculated

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Prize Medal. Silver. 76.5 mm. Unsigned. Imperial Russian Society of Fruit Growing, nd (1899). Diakov 1296.1 (R2), Sm 1133/a. Display of fruits and vegetables atop convex bar, spray below / Gardener digging, at his left a woman and young boy plant a sapling; 3A ΤΡΥΔΗ ΠΟ ΠΛΟΔΟΒΟΔCΤΒΥ. Rare. Some minor nicks typical for these large, heavy medals. About extremely fine

\$ 300

\$ 500

\$ 300



Medal. Bronze. 68 mm. By Felix Rasumny. Centennial of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1902. Diakov 1347.2 (R1), Sm --. Conjoined heads of Nicholas II and Alexander I r. / History seated r. beside a very animated Imperial eagle, receives an olive branch from youth bearing a burning torch. Rare. Extremely fine

\$ 300



Medal. Silver. 64 mm. By A. Vasyutinsky. **Centennial of the Ministry of War, 1902.** Diakov 1352.1 (R2), Sm 1248. Conjoined heads of Nicholas II and Alexander I left / Athena Pallas seated left, holding lance and shield, youth holding a sword and wreath standing before her. Rare in silver. Matte finish.

Uncirculated \$2,000

Ex World Art Medals Auction, 'Russian Medals', Part III, Philadelphia 1981, lot 217.



Medal. Bronze. 64 mm. <u>Unsigned (by A. Vasyutinsky)</u>. **Bicentennial of St. Petersburg, 1703-1903**. Diakov 1370.2 (R1), Sm 1270. Laureate Peter the Great head l. / Russia standing on cloud, beneath a radiant star, holding wreath and shield emblazoned with the Imperial eagle, below is a panorama of the city. Extremely fine



Medal. Bronze. 70 mm. By A. Griliches, Jr. 50th Anniversary of the Russian Society of Steam Navigation and Trade, 1907. Diakov 1436.1, Sm 1364. Conjoined heads of Nicholas II and Alexander II l., initials A.A. Γ on truncation, laurel branch at right / Roman numeral "L" within wreath, radiant sun and crossed flags behind, Imperial eagle dividing anniversary dates above, steamship below.



Medal. Bronze. 57.9 mm. By A. Vasyutinsky. Professor Ivan Avgustovich Time, for Fifty Years of Service, 1908. Diakov 1447.1, Sm 1380. Bust of time r. / Turbine and parts, laurel branch behind, signed A.B. to left below. Tiny nick on cheek and a few tiny edge tics. Deep café au lait.

About uncirculated



Medal. Bronze. 65 mm. By B.W. Edwards, Mayer & Wilhelm Co. Inauguration of the Alexander Vasilievich Suvorov Monument in Rymnik, 1913. Diakov 1562.1 (R3), Sm --. View of the Suvorov Monument in Rymnik, four-line concentric Russian and Romanian legend / Shield adorned with branches inscribed in Russian and Romanian. Very rare. A few small dark spots. Silvery-birch brown.

\$ 500

\$ 500



Award Medal. Silver. 53 mm. 81.52 gm. <u>By I. Marshak.</u> **Pan-Russian Olympics, Kiev 1913**. Diakov --, Sm--. Nude discus thrower, bridge and hilltop scene in background / City-Arms, frieze and laurel branch below; ПЕРВАЯ РУССКАЯ ОЛИМПІАДА. *Very rare*. Toned. Choice extremely fine

\$ 5,000

In the 1912 Stockholm Olympics, the Russian team came in second to last place among the 18 participating nations. One newspaper deemed it "the shame of all the Russian people." In order to prevent such an embarrassment in the future, Grandduke Dmitrii Romanov ordered the creation of a Russian Olympics as a means of practice and training. The first such Pan-Russian Olympics was held in the Kiev Sports Grounds in 1913. Located in the Lukianivka, the Sports Grounds was the first permanent sports stadium in the Russian empire (it was destroyed in WWI). Olympics, sports, Ukrainian, even Judaic — this very rare award medal encompasses a number of topical interests. It was made by the renowned Jewish jeweler Joseph Marshak, one of the Karl Faberge's main competitors. Called the Cartier of Kiev, Marshak was responsible in 1913 for all the Imperial gifts presented to Nicholas II. The medal above was commissioned later that year.



2494 Award Medal. Bronze. 53 mm. By I. Marshak. **Pan-Russian Olympics, Kiev 1913**. Diakov --, Sm--. Nude discus thrower, bridge and hilltop scene in background / City-Arms, frieze and laurel branch below; ПЕРВАЯ РУССКАЯ ОЛИМПІАДА. Very rare. Café au lait.

About uncirculated

\$1,000



Medal. Iron. 80 mm. By P. Leibkuchler. Vladimir Sukhomlinov Conviction, 1917. Diakov --, Schulman, La Guerre European --. Hand of Corruption in a bag of coins, satirical dedication to the "honorable" war minister of 1914-1915 whose ministry's bungling and graft is blamed for the Russian war disasters / Jailor, a scimitar on his belt, leads the disgraced Sukhomlinov into a the fortress-prison of Saints Peter and Paul, before his execution by the provisional government, Imperial eagle on wall in background. This is apparently the first time that this very rare and intriguing satirical medal is being offered in a public sale.

About extremely fine

Chief of the General Staff (1908-1909) and Minister of War until 1915, Vladimir Sukhomlinov was disliked by the army committee of the Duma and resented by Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholaevich, commander-in-chief of the Russian forces in the early part of World War I. As minister of war he opposed training innovations that emphasized firearms over edged weaponry and resisted change. His enemies and detractors called him lazy, incompetent and dishonest, but his charm and favor with Tsar Nicholas II protected his position. Maurice Paleologue, the last French ambassador to the Imperial Russia, described Sukhomlinov as "intelligent, cherr and cunning, obsequious towards the tsar and a friend of Rasputin — a man who has lost the habit of work — I know few men who inspire more distrust at first sight." Ultimately, the negative opinion of Sukhomlinov placed the responsibility of Russia's military stagnation at his feet and Russia's woeful lack of military preparation at the outbreak of World War I squarely on him. That opinion, meanwhile, at the time demonized Sukhomlinov as a sort of Rasputin in uniform. In March 1916, he was finally accused on charges of abuse of power and treason after some of his close associates had been convicted of espionage (on behalf of Germany). For the first time in Russian bistory a public jury took part in a political trial. In April, Sukhomlinov was imprisoned in Peter and Paul Fortress. In July, he was transferred to a hospital. His wife meanwhile sought help from Grigori Rasputin and Dr. Peter Badmayev, a Buryat Mongol popular in the upper strata of Russian society where mysticism and Tibetanicism held great fascination. Rasputin intervened on the minister's behalf with the empress. Within six months, Sukhomlinov was freed and placed under house arrest.

After the February Revolution, he was arrested again. Although acquitted of charges of treason, Sukhomlinov was found guilty of abuse of power and inactivity – leaving Russia unprepared for the Great War. Sentenced to an open-ended 'katorga', back he went to a fortress-prison. Turning 70, he was released on the first of May, 1918. Sukhomlinov emigrated to Finland, then Germany. In 1924 his "Memoirs" appeared. Dedicated to the deposed German Emperor Wilhelm II, and highly critical of his former Imperial colleagues, it was translated and published by the new Soviet government. Sukhomlinov himself was living then in abject poverty in Berlin. He was found frozen to death on a park bench two years later.



2496 Medal. Bronze. 60 mm. By AB. **In Honor of Robert Nikolaevich Viren, 1856-1917.** Leningrad mint 1990's. Facing uniformed bust of Viren, wearing Orders, in textured fields / View of the Naval Cathedralin Kronstadt "ЗА ЦАРЯ, ЗА РОДИНУ, ЗА ВЪРУ" in textured fields.

About uncirculated

\$ 100

\$ 400

In the Russo-JapaneseWar, Viren commanded what was left of the Port Arthur Squadron during the lastfour months of the siege of Port Arthur. After the war, he became a leading figure in the Imperial Russian Navy. In 1909, Viren was appointed commander of the naval base of Kronstadt. He was assassinated by revolutionaries in 1917.

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1 Chervonetz 1923. GOLD. Fr 181. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 63. Choice brilliant uncirculated 2497

\$ 2,000



Rouble 1921 A Γ . Y 84. Dots ends the circle variety. Authenticated and graded by PCGS MS 64. Lovely near pristine fields, lustrous. Very choice brilliant uncirculated 2498

\$ 300

2499 Rouble 1921 A Γ . Y.84. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 62. Satiny lustre. Brilliant uncirculated \$ 300

1922 Proof Set - Goodman Collection





2500 Proof Set consisting 10, 15, 20, 50 Kopecks (AΓ) and Rouble 1922 (without essayer onslab). Y-80, 81, 82, 83 and 84. All authenticated and graded by PCGS. 50Kopecks – Proof 65, 10, 15, 20 Kopecks and Rouble – Proof 66. Extremely rare as a set

All - Superb brilliant PROOF

\$ 35,000

Consignor claims thisis from Irving Goodman sale, comes with a custom made wood case with "Goodman Collection" cover plaque.



2501 Rouble 1922 AΓ. Y.84. Authenticated and graded by NGC PF 63. Light mirror-like hematite surfaces. Choice brilliant PROOF

\$ 3,000





2502





to 2x

2502 10 Kopecks 1921. Y.80. Authenticated and graded by NGC PF 64. Crisp edges and borders. Lustrous. Very choice brilliant PROOF

\$ 1,000

USSR



2503



2503 Chervonetz 1975. GOLD. Fr 181a. Authenticated and graded by NGC MS 66. Superb brilliant uncirculated

\$ 500



2504



50 Kopecks 1927 ΠΛ. Y 89. Authenticated and graded by PCGS MS 64. Linen-white tone, lustrous. Very choice brilliant uncirculated

\$ 250



2504



2505





15 Kopecks 1924. Y.87. Authenticated and graded by NGC PF 64. Bold cameo 2505 \$1,000 devices on shimmering surfaces. Very choice brilliant PROOF Ex Hesselgesser Collection



2506



2506 2 Kopecks 1924. Plain edge. Fed.2. About extremely fine









Obverse and Reverse Die Trials for the Bolshoi Ballet commemorative 25 Roubles 1991. Produced on copper-nickel alloy planchets. Ballerina. View of the Bolshoi Theatre. Cf. Y 286. (lot of 2). Specimen strikes

\$ 250

\$ 4,000

Russian Federation

2507



Pair of Mint Models, Obverse and Reverse for the Russian State commemorative 100 Roubles 2000. Copper-nickel alloy. Federation eagle. Mother Russia standing, mythic bird and map beside her. Reverses: small MYAIK stamped near bottom edge. Cf.Y.711. (lot of 2).

Brilliant PROOF



2509	Obverse and Reverse Die Trials for the Bolshoi Ballet 50 Roubles 1993. Brass alloy. Federation eagle. Ballerina. Cf.Y.418. (lot of 2). Specimen strikes	\$ 250
2510	Pair of Mint Models, Obverse and Reverse for Gold Commemorative 50 Roubles 2002. Struck in brass alloy. 225 Years of the Bolshoi Theatre – Evgeniy Onegin. Federation eagle. Dueling scene with Onegin standing before country estate.	
	Reverses: MYÄЯЖ. Cf.Y.679. Some handling(lot of 2). Brilliant PROOF	\$ 250
2511	Obverse and Reverse Die Trials for the Bolshoi Ballet 25 Roubles 1995. Brass alloy. Federation eagle. Cf.Y.439. (lot of 2). Specimen strikes	\$ 250



Pair of Mint Models, Obverse and reverse for the Silver Commemorative 25 Roubles 2001. Struck in copper-nickel alloy. 96.5 and 115.3 gm. 225 Years of the Bolshoi Theatre – Romeo and Juliet. Federation eagle. Romeo and Juliet dancing beneath canopy. Reverses: MYARK. Cf.Y.678. (lot of 2). Brilliant PROOF

\$ 250



Pair of Mint Cliches, Obverse and Reverse for the Ballet themed 10 Roubles 1994. Federation eagle. Ballerina. Cf. Y.432. (lot of 2). Brilliant PROOF



Obverse and Reverse Die Trials for the Bolshoi Ballet commemorative 3 Roubles 1993. Struck on copper-nickel alloy planchets. Federation eagle. Ballet couple. Cf.Y 323. (lot of 2). Specimen strikes

\$ 250









Obverse and Reverse Die Trials for the Bolshoi Ballet commemorative 3 Roubles 1993. Struck on copper-nickel alloy planchets. Federation eagle. Ballet couple. Cf.Y 323. (lot of 2).

\$ 250









Pair of Mint Cliches, Obverse and Reverse for the Ballet themed 3 Roubles 1994. Copper-nickel alloy. Federation eagle. Ballet couple. Cf. Y.405. (lot of 2).

Brilliant PROOF

\$ 250









Pair of Mint Models, Obverse and Reverse for the 850th Anniversary of Moscow commemorative 3 Roubles 1997. Copper-nickel alloy. Federation eagle. Workers hammering roof, and mortaring wall; original Moscow skyline behind. Reverses: MYARK. Cf.Y 552. (lot of 2).