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GOLD

(lots nos. 1-66 are gold)

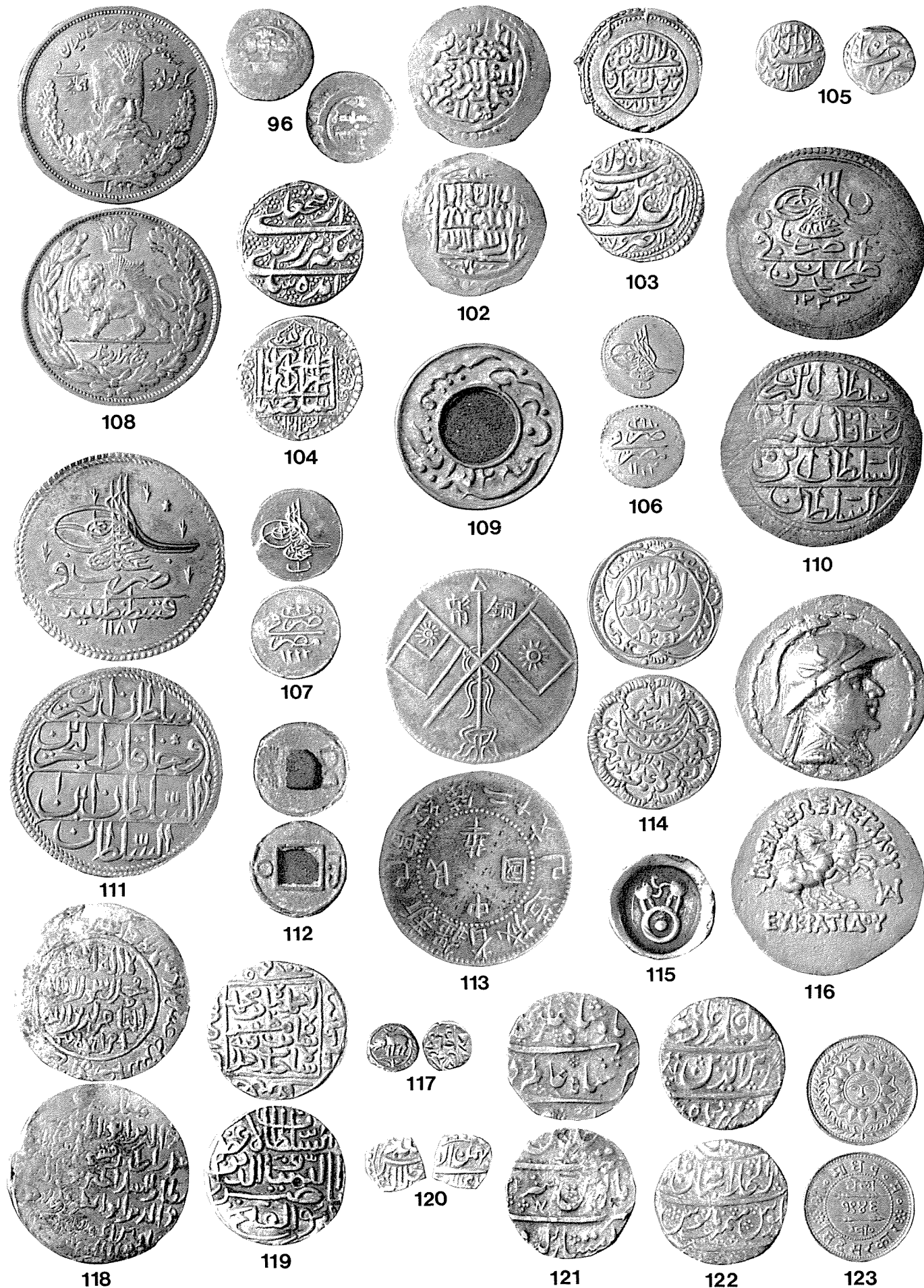
Ancient

- KUSHAN: Vima Kadphises**, ca. 105-130, AV dinar (8.0g), half-length bust of king l./standing Siva, holding trident, Göbl #19.4 (same obverse die), finest style, virtually extremely fine, RR in this quality \$1500
- Vasishka**, ca. 260-270, AV dinar (7.8g), Ardoksho reverse, Göbl 557.2, extremely fine \$300
- KUSHANO-SASANIAN: Hormizd I**, ca. 270-295, AV dinar (8.1g), scyphate fabric, mint of Balkh (Boxlo), name with omega written as ω, Cribb #4, choice extremely fine, somewhat mushy strike on reverse as usual \$850
- GUPTA: Samudragupta**, ca. 335-380, AV dinar (7.4g), Asvamedha type, well-struck obverse, somewhat weakly struck reverse, Mitchiner #4787, very fine, RR \$1000
- Same ruler**, AV dinar (7.1g), Kacha type (formerly assigned to a separate ruler theoretically named Kachagupta), Mitchiner 4793/95, nearly very fine, R \$350
- Chandragupta II**, ca. 380-415, AV dinar (7.9g), Chhatra type: dwarf holding parasol over king who is throwing incense at altar, Mitchiner #4820, choice extremely fine, slightly mushy strike on obverse, superb reverse, RR \$1250
- AKSUM: Aphilas**, ca. 300-325, AV 1/8 dinar (0.37g), bust l./Greek inscription, Hahn #6, Munro-Hay #Au.1, very fine, R \$500

Islamic Dynasties

- UMAYYAD Caliphate: temp. al-Walid I**, 705-715, AV dinar (4.2g), without name of mint as usual, AH 94, Walker #207, choice extremely fine \$325

- temp. Hisham**, 724-743, AV dinar (4.3g), no mint name, 110, Walker #230, choice xf-au, lustrous \$420
- ABBASID Caliphate: al-Mahdi**, 775-785, AV dinar (4.0g), without mint name as always for reign, 165, BMC-86, nearly extremely fine \$225
- al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (4.2g), Madinat al-Salam 313, vf-xf, attractive strike \$300
- al-Muttaqi**, 940-944, AV dinar (4.1g), Madinat al-Salam 330, citing the Hamdanid brothers Sayf al-Dawla & Nasir al-Dawla as chief amirs, uncirculated, RR (unlike similar coins of year 331, which are common) \$1000
- same ruler**, AV dinar (4.5g), Wasit 329, citing the chief amir Bajkam, type of Artuk #495 of Madinat al-Salam, uncirculated, RRR \$1250
The name of Bajkam appears on some rare coins of al-Radi dated 329 and scarce coins of Muttaqi of the same year.
- al-Musta'sim**, 1242-1258, AV broad dinar (6.5g), Madinat al-Salam 641, BMC-504, choice extremely fine, no weakness, scarce in this quality \$525
- MURABITID (Almoravid): 'Ali b. Yusuf**, 1106-1142, AV dinar (3.9g), Ishbiliya (Sevilla in Spain) 519, citing prefect Yasir, Hazard #218, good very fine+, R \$1250
- MUWAHHID (Almohade): 'Abd al-Mu'min**, 1130-1163, AV 1/2 dinar (2.3g), Miknasah (=Meknès), undated as always, Hazard #464, good very fine \$400
- Kings of CASTILE: Alfonso VIII**, 1158-1214, AV alfon-sino (3.8g), Toledo (Tulaytila), dated 1250 in the Safar era, Cayon y Castan #520, virtually uncirculated, bold strike, R \$1750
With Christian religious inscriptions in Arabic, a large cross, and the Latin letters ALF in the field.
- TULUNID: Harun b. Khumarawayh**, 896-904, AV dinar (4.2g), Misr 290, Grabar #291, choice extremely fine \$360
- FATIMID: al-Amir al-Mansur**, 1101-1129, AV dinar (4.2g), Misr 512, Miles #464, choice nearly uncirculated \$420
- AYYUBID: Muhammad b. 'Uthman**, 1198-1199, AV dinar (3.9g), al-Iskandariya (Alexandria in Egypt), 595, Balog #228, good vf-xf, R \$550
- al-'Adil Abu Bakr I**, 1196-1218, AV dinar (6.4g), al-Iskandariya 613, Balog #270, very fine, unusually heavy for this period, S \$250
- MAMLUK: Sha'ban II**, 1363-1376, AV heavy dinar (8.34g), al-Qahira 768, date not in Balog, but cf. Sotheby's, 28 May 1987, lot 771 for a similar example, vf-xf \$370
- Barquq**, 1382-1399, AV dinar, al-Qahira 78(4), rare type without 'azza nasruhu struck only in first year of reign, Nicol #2844, not in Balog, vf-xf, RR \$400
- Faraj**, 1399-1412, AV dinar, al-Qahira 809, Balog #621, extremely fine, full date \$450
- SAFFARID: Khalaf**, ca. 963-1003, AV fractional dinar (1.1g), Sijistan 365, vf-xf, (additional specimens available) \$175
- SAMANID: Nuh II**, 976-997, AV dinar (4.0g), Herat 373, citing the Simjurid 'Ali atop obverse field, appears to be unpublished year, choice very fine \$225
- BUWAYHID: Rukn al-Dawla**, 947-977, AV dinar (3.6g), al-Muhammadiya 363, date not given by Miles for gold, nearly extremely fine, R \$300
- GHAZNAVID: Mahmud**, as governor in Khorasan, ca. 995-998, AV dinar (4.6g), Nishapur 385, sword depicted in obverse field, BMC-458, vf \$325
- GREAT SELJUQ: Tughril Beg**, 1038-1063, AV dinar (4.0g), Nishapur 450, possibly unpublished date, extremely fine, S \$200
- Malikshah I**, 1072-1092, AV dinar (3.1g), Isfahan 477, generally as Paris 66 (rev. field differently arranged), choice vf-xf, S \$240
- BATINID ("Assassins"):** 'Ala al-Din Muhammad III, 1221-1255, AV fractional dinar (1.5g), Kursi al-Daylam (barely visible) 651, bold clear date, good very fine, RR \$1100
- LU'LU'ID: Badr al-Din Lu'lu'**, 1233-1259, AV dinar, al-Mawsil 645, Paris #454, extremely fine, slightly crude \$400



33. **OTTOMAN:** Selim II, 1566-1574, AV sultani (3.5g), Misr 974, Nuri Pere #239, extremely fine \$130
34. **ILKHAN:** Abu Sa'id, 1316-1335, AV heavy dinar (9.5g), Kazirun/Abu Ishaq 729, type C, Album #2198, good very fine (Abu Ishaq is an epithetical name for Kazirun), R \$400
35. **HOTAKI AFGHANS:** Mahmud Shah, 1722-1724, AV ashrafi (3.4g), Isfahan 1135, type B, KM-325, very fine, R \$350
36. **ZAND:** Karim Khan, 1753-1779, AV 1/4 mohur (2.7g), Basra 1191, type D, type of KM-530, unpublished mint for this denomination (for the half mohur, cf. Spink/Taisei Auction 27, lot 313), choice extremely fine, RRR \$850
37. *same ruler*, AV 1/2 ashrafi (5.4g), Rasht 1191, KM526, good very fine, S \$185
38. **Sadiq Khan**, 1779-1781, AV 1/4 mohur (2.7g), Khuy 1194, lovely style, KM-551, extremely fine, R \$250
39. **QAJAR:** Muhammad Hasan Khan, 1750-1759, AV mohur (11.0g), Isfahan 1169, KM-506 ("Rare"), Rabino #504 (same obverse die), choice extremely fine, RR \$1100
40. **DURRANI:** Ahmad Shah, 1747-1772, AV mohur (11.0g), Dera, 1168, year 8, date combination unlisted in KM, type of K310, uncirculated, weakly struck reverse, RR \$1100
41. *same ruler*, AV mohur (10.8g), Shahjahanabad 1170, year 11, KM-765, choice extremely fine, rare conquest coin struck during first occupation of Delhi, RRR \$2250
42. *same ruler*, AV mohur (10.9g), Shahjahanabad 1174, year 14, KM-765, second occupation of Delhi, choice extremely fine, RRR \$2250
- These two extremely rare conquest coins are from a group of five pieces recently brought to market. I was able to obtain three specimens, one of which has been sold. These are important coins for anyone interested in the numismatic history of Delhi under the later Mughals. Cf. n° 58 below.*
43. **Taimur Shah**, 1772-1793, AV mohur (10.8g), Kabul, 1188, year 3, KM-435, uncirculated, R \$700
44. *same ruler*, AV mohur (10.7g), Peshawar 1186, year one, KM-706, virtually uncirculated, bold strike, RR \$1000
- Modern Issues**
45. **IRAN:** Y39, AV toman of Muzaffar al-Din Shah, 1314, lion & sun type, uncirculated, R \$300
46. Y143, AV pahlavi, SH 1331, uncirculated, RRR date, first I have seen offered \$800
47. **MOROCCO:** C115, AV benduqi of Sulayman (3.4g), Fès mint, 1209, Eustache #459, choice very fine, superb strike for this series, RR \$350
- Gold coins of India**
48. **CHALUKYAS (Eastern):** Anonymous AV dinar (3.9g), punchmarked type with 5 lions and unread inscription in two punches, generally as Mitchiner #634B & 635 but better style, very fine, presumably R \$200
49. **YADAVAS of Devagiri:** Ramachandra, 1270-1311, AV dinar (3.9g), punchmarked type with lotus in center, Mitchiner #643, extremely fine \$150
50. **KADAMBAS:** Anonymous AV pagoda (3.4g), Hanuman running right, blank reverse, cf. similar inscribed piece given as Elliot #67 and found in Sunda region, good very fine, R \$200
51. **DELHI Sultanate:** Muhammad III, 1325-1351, AV tanka (11.0g), no mint or date, in name of Abbasid caliph al-Hakim II, Rajgor #1222, choice nearly uncirculated \$350
52. **BENGAL Sultanate:** Ilyas Shah, 1342-1356, AV tanka, Firozabad, date obscure, Rajgor #200, choice extremely fine \$650
53. **MUGHAL Empire:** Shah Jahan I, 1628-1658, AV mohur, Surat, year 5, month of Isfandarmuz, KM255.6, superb extremely fine \$500
54. *same ruler*, AV mohur, Daulatabad 1052, year 15, unlisted combination, KM258.3, extremely fine \$425
55. *same ruler*, AV mohur, Burhanpur 1049, no regnal year, KM260.6, extremely fine \$375
56. **Aurangzeb**, 1658-1707, AV mohur, Golconda 1086, year 30 (sic), KM-315, choice extremely fine \$400
57. **Shah Alam I**, 1707-1712, AV mohur, Haidarabad 1123, year 5, KM-356, very fine, S \$360
58. **Shah Alam II**, 1759-1806, AV mohur, Shahjahanabad 1175, year 3, KM-719, unlisted combination, very fine \$450
59. **AWADH:** K150, AV mohur of Ghazi ud-Din Haidar, 1234, year 26 (frozen year), first year of heraldic coinage, good very fine, S \$350
60. **JAIPUR:** Y14, AV mohur of Madho Singh & Victoria, year 41, extremely fine, S \$275

61. **JODHPUR:** K100, AV mohur of Sardar Singh & Edward VII, date off flan (if any), bold strike, virtually uncirculated \$475
62. **JUNAGADH:** K39, AV 1/2 kori (1.9g), dated VS1947 and AH1309, brilliant uncirculated, RR \$700
63. **KUTCH:** Y19, AV 100 kori of Pragmalji II + Victoria, AD1866, VS1923, extremely fine, couple edge nicks \$350
64. **PATIALA:** Y16, AV 2/3 mohur (7.4g) of Yadvindra Singh, VS[19]58, extremely fine, R \$475
65. **BENGAL (British):** K112, AV mohur in name of Shah Alam II, 1202, san 19, Murshidabad mint name, rare type with vertical milling, choice uncirculated, R \$650
66. AV mohur, san 19 type, oblique milling, private issue without special distinguishing symbols but showing year 1202, 11.6g, xf-au \$185
- BEFORE ISLAM**
67. **HIMYARITE:** 'Amdan Bayan Yanaf, ca. 50-150, AR 1/4 unit (1.7g), Raidan mint, Mitchiner #370/72, choice nearly uncirculated, bold strike \$125
- 67a. **SASANIAN:** Ardasher I, 224-241, AR drachm (4.0g), normal type with pellet left of altar, Göbl #9, choice extremely fine, full detail, truly superior \$325
68. **Shahpur I**, 241-272, AR drachm (4.2g), usual type, Göbl 23, but narrow flan, struck at some unidentified provincial mint, good very fine, interesting \$125
69. **Shahpur II**, 303-379, AR drachm (4.1g), early style, diadem on altar, as Göbl 97, choice nearly extremely fine, full broad rims around \$175
70. **Ardasher II**, 379-383, AR drachm (3.4g), Göbl 122, good style, vf-xf, R \$270
71. **Valkash**, 484-488, AR drachm (4.0g), AW (Ahwaz) mint, undated, Göbl 178, good very fine, fine portrait \$175
72. **Vishtahm**, 591-597±, AR drachm (4.1g), RD (Rayy), year 4, Göbl 205/6, vf-xf, R \$400
73. **Khusraw II**, 591-628, AE 12 nummia (16.27g), Alexandria in Egypt, undated, Göbl 222, unusually heavy flan for type, attractive very fine, R \$170
74. **Yazdigerd III**, 632-651, AR drachm (4.1g), BN (unidentified mint in Kirman province), year 15, pellet at 2:30 rev., Göbl 235, good very fine+, RR \$200
75. **HEPTHALITE:** Shah Javukha, 5th-6th C., AR drachm, bust/traces of attended fire altar, Göbl 49, good very fine (other specimens available) \$150
- For additional pre-Islamic coins, see nos. 112, 115-117.*

ISLAMIC DYNASTIES

76. **ARAB-SASANIAN:** Khusraw type, AR dirham (3.9g), YZ (believed to be Yazd), year 47 (Hijri), with *bism Allah rabbi*, Walker #24, good very fine, R \$150
77. **Mu'awiya**, the Umayyad caliph, 661-680, AR dirham (4.0g), DA (Darabjird in Fars), frozen year 43, Walker B.3, superb extremely fine \$250
- Believed to have been struck circa 53-54 Hijri.*
78. **'Abd Allah b. al-Zubayr**, rival caliph, 680-692, AR dirham (4.0g), DA+GH (Jahrom in Fars province), year 60, Walker #47, choice extremely fine \$160
79. **'Ubayd Allah b. Ziyad**, AR dirham (4.0g), BJRA (Basra), year 62, Walker #87, choice nearly uncirculated \$100
80. **'Ubayd Allah b. Abi Bakra**, AR dirham (4.0g), SK (Sijistan), year 79, with pellet below *bism Allah*, W—, extremely fine, S \$260
81. **ARAB-BYZANTINE:** Three-figures type, AE fals (3.6g), Tiberias/Tabariya (in Greek & Arabic), officina A, broad flan with margins all around, as Walker #43 except for officina letter, lovely very fine, nice even patina \$400
82. **UMAYYAD:** Anonymous post-reform, AR dirham (2.8g), Abarshahr 92, Walker #253, extremely fine, R \$225
83. *similar*, AR dirham (2.6g), Ifriqiya 112, Walker 284a, good very fine+ \$300
84. *similar*, AR dirham (2.8g), al-Bab (Derbent in Russian Caucasus), 121, Walker J.7, nearly extremely fine, RR \$450
- All years of this mint except 120 are elusive.*
85. *similar*, AR dirham (2.9g), al-Jazira 127, Walker I.4, choice extremely fine, scarce date \$200
86. *similar*, AR dirham (2.7g), al-Kufa 80, date not in Walker, but Tiesenhausen #282, very fine, R \$200
87. **Marwan II**, caliph, 744-749, AE fals (4.3g), Atrib (in Egypt), undated, citing prefect 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan, Walker #ANS.37, good fine, RR \$200





- 88. **ABBASID REVOLUTION:** 'Abd Allah b. Mu'awiya, 744-748, AR dirham (2.9g), anonymous, Jayy 129, Wurtzel #3, choice extremely fine, R \$425
- 89. **ABBASID:** al-Muti', 946-974, AR dirham (4.0g), Antakiya (Antioch in Syria) 339 (or 337), Linder-Welin #20, very crude very fine, no wear, RR \$300
- 90. **SWABIANS in Sicily:** Frederick II, king of Sicily, 1197-1250, AR fractional dirham (0.7g), Arabic inscriptions obv & rev, sylte of Spahr #138 of Tancred (Palermo mint), star in reverse center, name in Arabic, not in Spahr, Spinelli or other publications, good fine+, RRR \$325
One of three recently discovered specimens of this hitherto unpublished type, the only type of Frederick with Arabic inscriptions not struck in gold.
- 91. **AYYUBID of Yemen:** Isma'il, 1197-1202, AR dirham (2.0g), Ta'izz 590, Balog #931, superb extremely fine \$150
- 92. **BUWAYHID:** Baha al-Dawla, 989-1012, AR dirham (4.0g), Shiraz 391, nearly ex. fine, superb calligraphy, RR \$300
- 93. **SAMANID:** Ishaq b. Ahmad, rebel, 914, AR dirham (3.2g), Samarqand 301, Fraehn #68, lovely ex. fine, RR \$350
- 94. **Nasr II,** 914-943, AE fals (2.5g), Bukhara 315, citing Yahya (probably the pretender Yahya b. Ahmad who later struck dinars in Nishapur), good very fine, R \$125
- 95. **Nuh I,** 943-954, AE fals (2.6g), Ferghana Mulk 332, Fraehn #234, very fine+, R \$125
- 96. **MIRDASID:** Taj al-Muluk Thamal, 3rd reign, 1062-1063, BI dirham (2.2g), Halab 453, crude fine, RRR \$125
- 97. **QARAKHANID:** Nasr b. 'Ali, ca. 998-1011, AR dirham (1.6g), Uzkand 398, Markov #117, finest style, extremely fine but large flan crack, S \$150
- 98. **'Ali b. al-Hasan,** ca. 1026-1037, AR dirham (3.2g), Khut-lugh Urdu 425, generally as BMC-444a, finest style & calligraphy, extremely fine, slightly shallow strike (photo of obverse lost), RR \$325
- 99. **KHWARIZMSHAH:** Muhammad, 1199-1220, BI mansuri dirham (6.9g), Samarqand 614, BMC-591, good vf-xf, S \$175
- 100. **ARTUKID of Mardin:** II-Ghazi II, 1176-1184, AE dirham (12.5g), no mint, 580, large & small Byzantine style busts, SS-32.4, extremely fine \$150
- 101. **Artuk Arslan,** 1200-1239, AE dirham (8.3g), [Mardin] 626, lion-rider left, SS-45, choice very fine+ \$150
- 102. **MEHRABANID (Kayani):** Nusrat al-Din Muhammad, ca. 1323-1330, AR dinar (4.0g), (Nimruz), date off flan, unpublished, crude extremely fine, R \$120
- 103. **SAFAVID:** Isma'il III, 1750-1756, AR rupi (11.3g), Rasht 1167 (retrograde date), K461, lovely extremely fine, S \$140
- 104. **QAJAR:** Fath 'Ali Shah, 1797-1834, AR riyal (11.4g), Tehran 1212, coronation type, Craig 188 (same obverse die as KM photo specimen), choice vf-xf, RR \$175
- 105. **SADOZAI:** Yar Muhammad Khan, 1842-1851, AR 1/6 rupee (1.7g), K404, Herat 1259, very fine, RR \$110
- MODERN COINAGES**
- 106. **EGYPT:** K164, AE para of Mahmud II, 1223, year 29, uncirculated, one small corrosion spot, RR \$175
- 107. *same type*, year 32, nearly extremely fine, RR \$175
- 108. **IRAN:** Y-A40, AR 5000 dinars of Muzaffar od-Din Shah, 1322, birthday commemorative, nearly extremely fine, RR \$740
- 109. **JARING:** K-"1A", tin pitis (3.0g), 1280, unlisted date and variety, extremely fine \$175
- 110. **TRIPOLI:** K215, BI 40 para of Mahmud II (10.4g), 1223, year 25, good very fine, very attractive \$260
- 111. **TURKEY:** K368, piastre of Abdulhamid I, 1187, year 1, first toughra, choice bold uncirculated, R in this quality \$250
- 112. **XINJIANG:** State of Qiuzi: Anonymous AE wuzhu cash with denomination given in Chinese & Qiuzi scripts (1.2g), ca. 420-600, *Xinjiang Numismatics*, p.17, nos. 65-73, very fine, RR, first on market \$400
- 113. **XINJIANG:** Y-A41.1, AE 20 cash, cyclical year 1929, extremely fine, pleasant toning, RR \$280
- 114. **YEMEN:** Y6.3, 1/4 imadi riyal, 1342, choice extremely fine, virtually unobtainable in this quality, from a small cache of Yemeni coins that must have been the pocket change of an Indian merchant in the Yemen circa 1926-1928 and the only piece of this type in the lot, R \$200
- COINAGE OF INDIA**
- 115. **ASHMAKA type:** Anonymous AR double karshapana, "pulley" design with triskeles, ca. BC375-350 and the earliest attested coin type of the Dekkan, Mitchiner #4081, Elliot #62, very fine, R (several specimens available) \$350

- It is now known that the recent hoard of these coins comprised about 80-100 specimens. Most have by now been absorbed in collections. When this hoard is exhausted, this historically important type will become hard to find again.*
- 116. **INDO-GREEK:** Eukratides I, c. BC170-145, AR tetradrachm (16.0g), helemeted head r./Dioskuri charging r., Mitchiner #1712-var., Boppearacchi 6W, extremely fine, not from the recent hoard \$750
- 117. **CHALUKYAS of Badami:** AR unit (0.5g), obv: boar l., rev: unread inscription in late Brahmi script, probably giving name of a ruler, good very fine, RRR \$150
- 118. **BENGAL:** Iwaz Khilji, 1212-1226, AR tanka (10.6g), no mint name, 620, Rajgor #125, very fine, usual weakness, R \$400
- 119. **GUJARAT:** Ahmad Shah I, 1410-1442, AR tanka (11.4g), year 840, pedigree type, Rajgor #2096, nearly extremely fine, RRR \$1200
- 120. **MUGHAL Empire:** Akbar, 1556-1605, AR square 1/8 rupee, K50.2, Lahore, month of Bahman, year 44 (unlisted), good very fine, R \$150
- 121. **Shah Alam I,** 1707-1712, AR rupee, K347.x, Imtiyazgarh mint (=Adoni), year 4, mint not listed in KM for type, good very fine, RR \$275
- 122. **ATHNI:** K70, rupee in name of Shah Alam II, 1181, extremely fine, *special*, from recent find (additional specimens in stock) \$100
- 123. **GWALIOR:** K162, AE 1/2 pice, VS1946, nearly extremely fine, RR \$145
- BOOKS**
- 124. Michael Mitchiner, *Oriental Coins and their Values*, the complete three-volume set, including the much sought-after *The World of Islam*, new condition, never used, the set \$750

WHOLESALE LOTS

Starter Lots: Nice coins, representative of the series, intended for novice or dealer. Retail of each lot about \$160-180 for average grade coins, \$140-160 for higher grade coins, no duplicates, no junk, all coins identified in envelopes (unless otherwise specified). You specify the area, grade range, etc., and we will try our best to fill your needs. These lots are especially tailored for collectors who want a general representation of a series they are just starting to collect, allowing them to obtain some of the more common coins at a discounted price. Some sample topics:

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B2. Shaybanids of Central Asia.	B8. Medieval Hindu India.
B3. Mongols in Iran.	B9. Mughal silver coins.
B4. Delhi Sultanate.	B10. Mughal copper coins.
B5. Yemen medieval.	B11. Princely state copper.
B6. Durrani kingdom.	B12. 18th century Ottoman.

B13. **Create your own category.**

Each lot, NET \$125

Triple size lot, still all different, retail three times as much, somewhat larger discount and greater variety of coins \$340

Discount Schedule: Remaining coins from pricelists 102-103 are now available at 10% discount, except on bullion-related items. Serious counteroffers for old stock may be considered.

Invoice number: Please be sure to mention the invoice number with all returns and payments, to assure proper credit and facilitate matters for us. Nobody enjoys paperwork.

Show Schedule: My next show will be the Chicago International Coin Fair, Thursday-Saturday, 14-16 April 1994. From Chicago I shall fly directly to Europe to attend the Oriental Numismatic Society Meeting in Tübingen on 23-24 April.

COMMENTARY (13 February 1994) — I should like to express my thanks to those who inquired whether I had been affected by the January earthquake. Fortunately not, for the epicenter (Northridge) lies some 425 miles south of here and the quake was not felt at all in northern California. Damage was largely restricted to the San Fernando Valley and adjacent regions (Santa Clarita, the Santa Clara River valley, Simi Valley, Santa Monica). Everyone in the region suffered some damage, if only to glassware and furnishings, hardly a soul escaping with their possessions unscathed. The news media have not really depicted accurately the scale of the disaster, which affected more than 2m people and was universally experienced within the affected area.

Santa Rosa last experienced a significant earthquake in 1969. A large crack in the concrete slab under my garage bears witness to its power. The Rodgers Creek fault runs through the middle of the city, about a mile east of my home. But we are all nervously waiting for the next one, which will inevitably happen, just like death and taxes.

