

Queen Victoria commemoratives

I recently won a sterling silver thimble on ebay that commemorated the visit of Victoria & Albert to Scotland in Sept 1842. This thimble was an exciting find for me, as we had just returned from the most wonderful cruise in the Inner Hebrides of Scotland. This has prompted me to update the chapter of Dorothy Friend's *British commemorative and souvenir thimbles* of 1987. Her chapter 2 is entitled 'The years 1837-1901' which covers the entire reign of Queen Victoria.

In this year of Queen Elizabeth II's diamond jubilee, it is interesting to look back over the thimbles produced for her reign 1952- . Sadly, there is only one silver thimble design produced in England for QEII's diamond jubilee, where there is a plethora of china "cheap and cheerful" - something unheard of during Queen Victoria's reign. By contrast there were 13 different sterling silver thimbles produced for the ascension of Queen Victoria in 1837 and/or her coronation in 1838.

Many of the thimbles produced about Victoria attempted to record the many events of her life especially in the early and later parts of her reign and these are in the form of raised lettering around the thimbles to record the event. To feature in this section there should be a date, which is different from the Victorian (ie era) Scenic thimbles.

Tho Victoria and Albert had nine children, only the first two had thimbles produced to commemorate their births (ie for Victoria and Edward). At this stage no recorded thimbles were struck for their other children Alice, Albert, Helena, Louise, Arthur, Leopold, and Beatrice.

Most of these thimbles are not hallmarked, nor do we know at this stage who made them. They are rare too, being the age, they are!

A word of caution here - replicas and reproductions! During the 1980s both Stephen Frost and Westair Reproductions made pewter thimbles that feature Victoria - Westair's is not even a replica - it is just lettered 'Victoria & Albert 1840'. Frost's is a reproduction of the 1897 jubilee thimble. Both are heavy and should NOT be confused with the sterling silver originals - the weight should be a dead giveaway!! I have included these at the end, to complete the record.

I have tried to keep the order consecutive using the last date mentioned on the thimbles - some of the later thimbles bear no date but the event is well recorded!

I have **not** repeated commemorative thimbles of Victoria from these topics.

I have not gone out seeking needlework tools featuring Queen Victoria but as I found images, they have been included within the sequence of the thimbles.

This topic complements two of Thimbleselect's earlier topics

British Royalty on thimbles
Victorian silver scenic thimbles



1819

VICTORIA BORN MAY 24 1819
silver bodkin



1837

PRINCESS VICTORIA MAY 24 1837
commemorating her 18th birthday

lettering upside down around the rim to face the sewer and be read whilst sewing
sprigs of leaves on band that is ribbed

RARE



1837

Bone spool of thread

MANUFACTURED BY THE ORDER AND FOR USE OF HER MAJESTY AND THE ROYAL HOUSEHOLD APPOINTED
14TH DAY OF AUGUST 1837 H SUTHERLAND MISTRESS OF THE ROBES

Raworth

red and gold Coat-of-Arms on base



1837 or 1838

HAIL VICTORIA

commemorates Victoria's ascension/coronation
with sprigs on verso
sterling silver



1837 or 1838
HAIL VICTORIA
commemorates Victoria's ascension/coronation
with sprigs on verso
nickel



1838
young Queen Victoria's profile facing left
with royal flowers: roses shamrocks & a crown in relief
commemorates Victoria's coronation
no lettering on this thimble
sterling silver
faceted rim



1838
young Queen Victoria's profile
with royal flowers: roses shamrocks - no crown
commemorates Victoria's coronation
no lettering on this thimble
sterling silver
smooth rim



1838

QUEEN VICTORIA BORN MAY 24 1819
 ASCENDED TO THE THRONE JUNE 20 1837
 CROWNED JUNE 28 1838

the outline of a crown flanked with stylised leaves completes the design
 commemorates Victoria's coronation
 sterling silver
 faceted rim
 this thimble was not recorded by Friend



How have these fragile thimble boxes survived for more than 180 years?



1838

QUEEN VICTORIA BORN MAY 24 1819
 ASCENDED TO THE THRONE JUNE 20 1837
 CROWNED JUNE 28 1838

with outline of a crowned figure
 commemorates Victoria's coronation
 sterling silver
 in original box with less lettering
 this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1838

QUEEN VICTORIA BORN MAY 24 1819
 ASCENDED TO THE THRONE JUNE 20 1837
 CROWNED JUNE 28 1838

HEAVEN PROTECT OUR SOVEREIGN LADY
 that last line is lettered around the rim

the outline of a crown with stylised leaves completes the design
 commemorates Victoria's coronation
 sterling silver



1838

VICTORIA

lettered amongst roses thistles shamrocks etc
on a textured ground with a shield cartouche
her profile with a wreath
commemorates Victoria's coronation
sterling silver
lower photos feature a textured surface on the band



1838
 VICTORIA 1ST
 CROWNED JUNE 28TH 1838
 with royal flowers & crown
 narrow band with patterned rim
 commemorates Victoria's coronation
 sterling silver



1838
 VICTORIA 1ST
 CROWNED JUNE 28TH 1838
 with royal flowers & crown
 patterned rim
 commemorates Victoria's coronation
 sterling silver



1838
 VICTORIA 1ST
 CROWNED JUNE 28TH 1838
 with royal flowers & crown
 narrow band with patterned rim
 commemorates Victoria's coronation
 sterling silver
 narrow band
 there is a difference in the number of rings



1838
VICTORIA 1ST
CROWNED JUNE 28TH 1838
with royal flowers & crown
medium band with smooth rim
commemorates Victoria's coronation
sterling silver



1838
VICTORIA 1ST CROWN'D JUNE 28TH 1838
with royal flowers & a crown
wide band with patterned rim
commemorates Victoria's coronation
nickel plate or brass



1838
VICTORIA CROWN'D JUNE 28TH 1838
commemorates Victoria's coronation
sterling silver



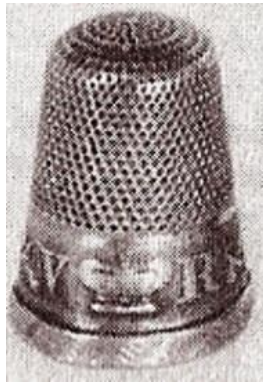
1838

VICTORIA CROWN'D JUNE 28TH 1838
 commemorates Victoria's coronation
 with profile portrait & royal flowers
 patterned rim
 sterling silver



1838

VICTORIA OUR HOPE
 lettered within patterned garlands
 commemorates Victoria's coronation
 includes a crown
 sterling silver
 faceted rim



1838

V R

with a crown

commemorates Victoria's coronation

royal flowers: shamrock thistle rose

sterling silver

this thimble was recorded by Friend in 1988



1838

V R

with a crown

commemorates Victoria's coronation

royal flowers: shamrock thistle rose

sterling silver

patterned rim

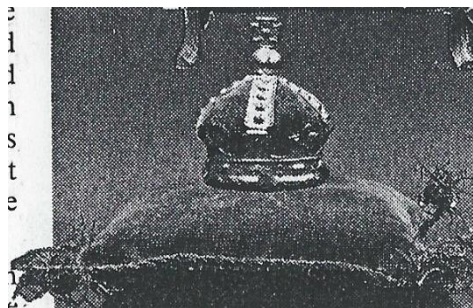
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1838

Tunbridge Ware pincushion clamp
transfer at the end of Queen Victoria

b&w photo



1838

pincushion

velvet cushion edged with metallic threads with tufts at each corner surmounted with a gilt metal crown

b&w photo



1838

pinwheel – printed paper with red velvet

L: THE MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY ALEX VICTORIA BORN MAY 24 1819

R: ASCENDED THE BRITISH THRONE JUNE 20 1837 in the 19TH YEAR OF HER AGE – CROWNED AT WESTMINSTER JUNE 28TH 1838



1838

mother-of-pearl
needlecase

was this made for Queen Victoria's coronation with a crown etched at both ends of the case?



1838

silver scissors

crowns below bows and Tudor rose on blades



1840

there is no lettering on this thimble
 facing profiles in cameos of Queen Victoria and Albert
 with royal flowers on the verso & small royal flowers & a crown flanking the cameos
 on very wide band
 commemorates Victoria's marriage
 sterling silver
 with faceted rim



1840

no lettering on this thimble
 commemorates Victoria's marriage
 images of Victoria and Albert facing each other across crown
 royal flowers – shamrocks rose etc
 sterling silver
 child's size
 unusual patterning at rim with similar royal flowers



1840

no lettering on the thimbles
 facing profiles in cameos of Queen Victoria and Albert
 with royal flowers: rose thistle daffodil shamrocks & a crown
 commemorates Victoria's marriage
 sterling silver boxed sewing sets
 consisting of matching thimble - emery - tape measure



1840

ROYAL WEDDING VICTORIA ALBERT JULY 10 1840 BORN ...
 with crown
 commemorates Victoria's marriage
 sterling silver
 unusual patterning at rim



1840

VICTORIA AND ALBERT
 joint profiles in cameo of Queen Victoria and Albert
 on very wide band
 commemorates Victoria's marriage
 sterling silver
 with thistles, roses, shamrock & foliage supporting the cameos
 2nd L: faceted rim



1840

VICTORIA AND ALBERT
 joint profiles in cameo of Queen Victoria and Albert
 commemorates Victoria's marriage
 with slightly different profiles
 sterling silver
 with royal flowers around band
 faceted rim



1840

VICTORIA BORN MAY 24 1819
 ALBERT BORN AUGST 26 1819
 MARRIED AT ST JAMES'S PALACE FEBY 10 1840
 that last line is lettered around the rim
 flanked by their profiles facing each other
 commemorates Victoria's marriage
 sterling silver
 this thimble was recorded by Friend in 1988



1840

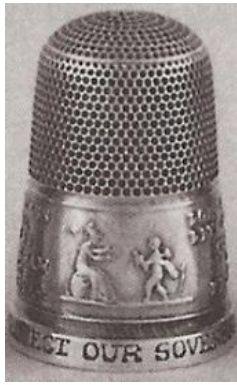
VICTORIA BORN MAY 24 1819
 ALBERT BORN AUGST 26 1819
 MARRIED AT ST JAMES'S PALACE FEBY 10 1840
 that last lettering is around the rim
 flanked by their profiles facing each other
 commemorates Victoria's marriage
 sterling silver
 original cardboard thimble box
 lettered 'Nuptial thimble'



1840
VICTORIA R TH ...
with small crown & royal flowers
commemorates Victoria's marriage
sterling silver
faceted rim



1840
HEAVEN PROTECT OUR SOVEREIGN LADY
around the rim
commemorates the birth of Princess Victoria's eldest daughter Victoria
with Victoria receiving a baby from a female figure
with castle & trees on verso
sterling silver
baby's name is highlighted within a wreath in the 2nd photo from L
lower: additional lettering ENGLAND'S HOPE
this thimble was recorded by Friend in 1991



1840

LONG MAY SHE LIVE AND THE COUNTRY BE PROSPEROUS THE PRINCESS ROYAL BORN AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE NOV 21ST 1840

HEAVEN PROTECT OUR SOVEREIGN LADY
that last lettering is around the rim

commemorates the birth of Princess Victoria's eldest daughter Victoria [aka Vicky]
seated Britannia with a cherub-like child
sterling silver

this thimble was recorded by Friend in 1991



1840

PRINCESS ROYAL BORN NOV 21 1840
VICTORIA AND ALBERT FEB'Y 10, 1840
sterling silver

wriggle work or stylised leaf patterning
top: faceted rim
lowest: heavier rim – jewel missing from crown



1841

VICTORIA BORN MAY 24 1819
ASCENDED THE THRONE JUNE 20 1837
CROWNED JUNE 28 1838
MARRIED PE ALBERT FEB 10 1840
THE PRINCESS ROYAL BORN NOV 21 1840
CHRISTENED AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE FEB 10 1841
commemorates the christening of Princess Victoria's eldest daughter Victoria
on very wide band
the lettering is continuous to record the whole event including round the rim
sterling silver
this thimble was recorded by Friend in 1993

no photo

1841

PRINCESS ROYAL 1841
commemorates Princess Victoria's new title
brass
this thimble was recorded by Friend in 1988



1841

commemorates the birth of Prince Albert
Prince of Wales feathers
on very wide band

two cornucopias on verso with ICH DIEN
 no other lettering on this thimble
 sterling silver



1841

commemorates the birth of Prince Albert
 Prince of Wales feathers
 on medium band
 two cornucopias on verso with ICH DIEN
 no other lettering on this thimble
 sterling silver



1841

commemorates the birth of Prince Albert
 Prince of Wales feathers
 on wide band
 two cornucopias on verso with ICH DIEN
 no other lettering on this thimble
 sterling silver
 faceted rim



1841

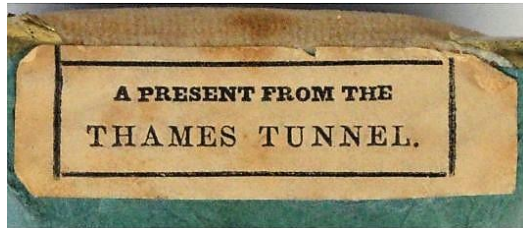
PRINCE OF WALES OUR FUTURE HOPE
 HEIR TO THE BRITISH THRONE BORN NOV. 9 1841
 MAY BRITAINS HOPES BE REALIZED
 that last is lettered around the rim
 commemorates the birth of Prince Albert
 Prince of Wales feathers on verso
 sterling silver
 this thimble was recorded by Friend in 1993



1841

B^N NOV^R 9 1841
 lettered around the rim
 commemorates the birth of Prince Albert
 applied Prince of Wales feathers with cartouche

sterling silver
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1841

PRINCE OF WALES BORN NOV 1841
handpainted velvet Pincushion with gold foil corners
blue paper on verso with printed label
A PRESENT FROM THE THAMES TUNNEL
90mm square



1842

HEIR TO THE BRITISH THRONE
 BORN NOV 9th 1841
 PRINCE OF WALES OUR FUTURE HOPE
 CHRISTENED AT WINDSOR CASTLE JAN 25 1842
 that last line is lettered around rim
 commemorates the christening of Prince Albert
 sterling silver
 this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1842

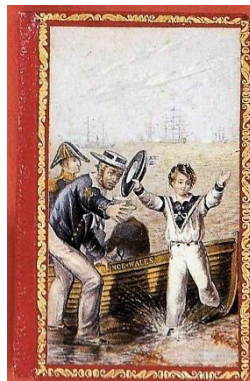
VICTORIA & ALBERT
 VISITED SCOTLAND
 SEPT 1842
 the raised lettering is read across - separated by a crown in relief
 two bunches of thistles on verso
 sterling silver
 this thimble was recorded by Friend in 1991

no photo

1849
QUEEN'S VISIT TO IRELAND AUGUST 1849
harps and shamrocks
according to Aldridge an example housed by Museum of London



1849
Pinwheel [pins are not original]
a raised picture in the self green cardboard of the wheel showing the Princesses
ROYAL PRINCESSES PINS WARRANTED lettered in raised letters in a circle
Peyton & Iles



1850-1858
Needlebook
Baxter print with Prince Albert playing with HRH Prince of Wales

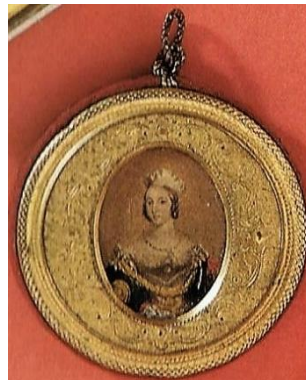


1858

Pinwheel

a raised picture in the self pink cardboard of the wheel showing the wedding party commemorating the marriage PRINCESS ROYAL OF ENGLAND Frederick William PRINCE OF PRUSSIA ROYAL BRIDAL PINS lettered in raised letters in a circle

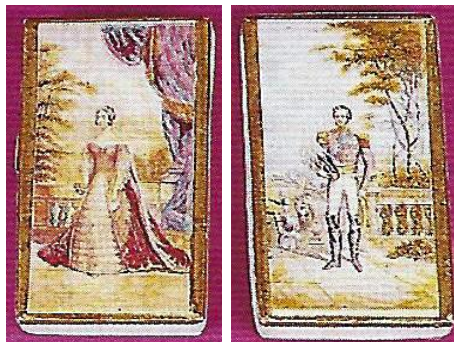
Peyton & Iles



1858

Ormolu pinwheel

Baxter print of Queen Victoria



1860s

Needlebooks

Baxter Prints

THE ROYAL SET



1861

Tape measure

BORN AUGUST 26. 1819-DIED DECEMBER 14, 1861

IN MEMORY OF HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS ALBERT, PRINCE CONSORT, DUKE OF SAXONY etc



1863

PRINCESS ALEXANDRA BORN DEC. 1 1844 PRINCE OF WALES BORN NOV. 9 1841
commemorates the wedding of Princess Alexandra to Prince of Wales

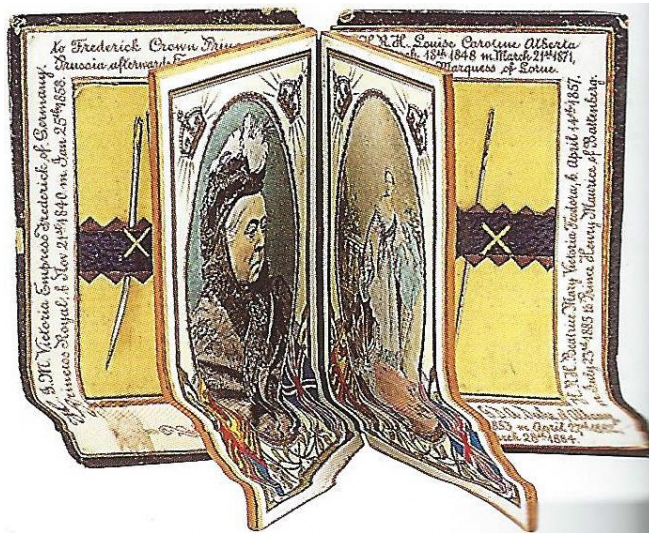
with double head portraits
(the marriage took place on March 10 1863)



1876

EMPERESS NEEDLE CASE

brass needlecase by *Richard Wyer* commemorating Queen Victoria becoming the Empress of India



1884

Commemorative needlecase

cardboard and yellow silk with paper containers for needles inside – the larger needles are held in in the silk section. Significant dates from Victoria’s reign are lettered in gold around the edges



1887

JUBILEE V.R. 1887

lettered at rim

sterling silver

maker's mark *KT*

Birmingham 1886

this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1887

JUBILEE V.R. 1887

lettered at rim

sterling silver

Charles May

Birmingham 1886

this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1887

Victoria Jubilee

lettered in cursive at rim
with an outline of a crown
nickel silver

Charles Iles, with his maker's mark



1887

VICTORIA JUBILEE

raised lettering on band
over striations

brass

probably made by *Charles Iles*

this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1887

JUBILEE 1887

lettering on blue enamelled narrow band
sterling silver (not marked)

this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1887

VR JUNE 1887

Is this a gold thimble a royal commemorative?
the lettering is placed on an inverted shield
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1887

QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE YEAR 1837-1887

Clark & Co Anchor semi-circular sewing cotton box
decorated with monochrome prints of Balmoral and Windsor castles



1887

QUEEN VICTORIA JUBILEE YEAR 1837-1887

Clark & Co Anchor rectangular sewing cotton box
decorated with circular monochrome prints of Balmoral and Windsor castles



1887

THE ROYAL JUBILEE 1887
1837 VICTORIA 1887

McKee Stanhope peep image in a bone needlecase



1897

37 VR 97

in relief in three shields
over striations

sterling silver with gold band
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1897

37 VR 97

in relief in three shields
with chain pattern over striations

James Fenton
Birmingham 1897

sterling silver
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1897

CORONATION COMMEMORATION VICTORIA 1837-1897
metal

probably made by *Charles Iles*
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



1897

IN COMMMORATION IF THE DIAM | 1837-1897 | OND JUBILEE OF QUEEN VICTORIA
 the lettering is in relief in a band; the lower band has three roundels - a crown - Victoria's profile in old age - VR royal cypher; these are complemented by a rose for England, thistle for Scotland and shamrock for Ireland; sterling silver/9ct gold; there are also sterling silver & gilt versions; where the roundels are gilded; made by *Deakin & Francis [D&F]* and their maker's mark is lettered on the rim; the thimbles are not assayed (no hallmarks) but they are sized (7); the Registered design number R^D295282 is lettered on the rim; the design was registered by the court jewellers and goldsmiths *Hamilton & Inches* of Princes Street, Edinburgh on 6 March 1897.

the example above has rare blackberry indentations

I understand that fraudulent sterling silver copies made their way onto the market in the 1990s - so buyer beware!!

From reading a 2001 article on these fakes in *At your Fingertips*, I understand that the fakes weigh 6.9grams whereas the originals weigh 6.3grams!!



1897

there are various designs and sizes (8 9 12) with different indentations
 sterling silver
 these examples are assayed for Birmingham 1897, with D&F marks

And now for something completely different – an 1897 commemorative - as above - but with different lettering!! Identical in all other aspects, this example is lettered and has assay marks
 1837 COMMEMORATION 1897

There is speculation that this thimble was the forerunner for the actual Jubilee thimbles



1897

D&F (Deakin & Francis) Birmingham 1897 size 7 R^D295282 weight is 6.3gms



1897

this 18ct version is also not assayed
it bears the *H & I* mark for *Hamilton & Inches*, the thimbles' designers



1897

silver & gilt version



1897

the box for the gold version
red leather bell-shaped box
lettered BY APPOINTMENT on the inner lid
with the Royal coat-of-arms

b&w photo



1897

Hamilton & Inches Edinburgh box – gold version



1897

the box for the silver version
lettered BY APPOINTMENT on the
inner lid
with the Royal coat-of-arms



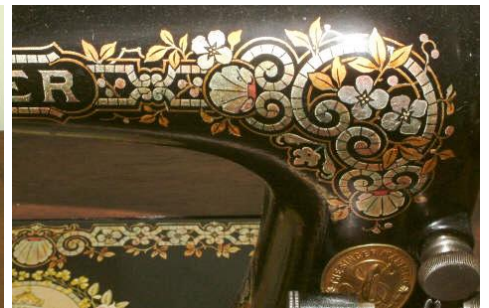
1897

original presentation *Hamilton and Inches* box



1897

William Avery's commemorative brass Diamond Jubilee needlecases – Quadruple, Easel, Lap Desk, Oval Tub – three showing Victoria at the time of her coronation and in 1897. top R has no Jubilee dates



1897

In 1897 *The Singer Manufacturing Co* offered one hundred free giveaway commemorative Singer sewing machines to celebrate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. The drawer handles are gold and the 1837-1897 with QV's portrait is on the plate. Isn't it a beauty?



1897
metal casket-shaped thimble case and chain
with embossed floral ground all over



1897
Pinwheel
H.M. QUEEN VICTORIA



1897
Pincushion
handstitched velvet JUBILEE with crown



1897
Scissors



1897

Pinwheel

handmade felt with embroidered crown



1897

Pinsheet

THE DIAMOND JUBILEE FARTHING CHANGE 1837-1897



THE QUEEN'S RECORD REIGN NEEDLE CASE COPYRIGHT

Four gilt portraits, one in each corner

R_D291390 lettered on the inside band holding the needles



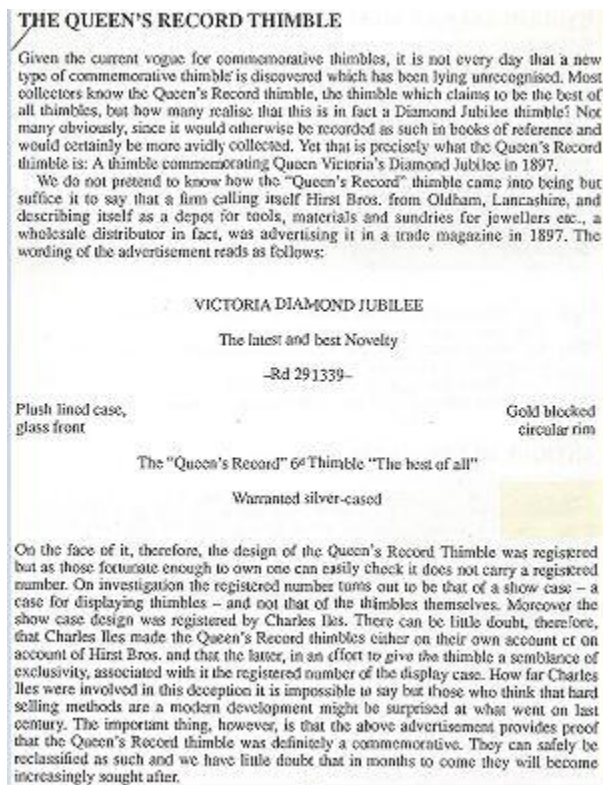
THE "QUEEN'S RECORD" THIMBLE THE BEST OF ALL

Charles Iles
metal

according to Thimble Society of London

this thimble was made to commemorate Queen Victoria's Jubilee

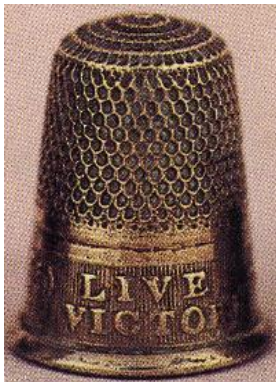
RD291339 is for the Queen's Record counter display case, registered by Charles Iles on 2 January 1897



occasion unknown
Henry Milward & Sons' brass needlecase
VICTORIA belt buckle



occasion unknown
William Avery brass needlecase
VICTORIA



occasion unknown
LONG LIVE QUEEN VICTORIA
central rose & foliage on verso of band
brass
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



occasion unknown
LONG LIVE QUEEN VICTORIA
brass with patterned rim
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



occasion unknown
LONG LIVE VICTORIA
brass with patterned rim
Charles Iles
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



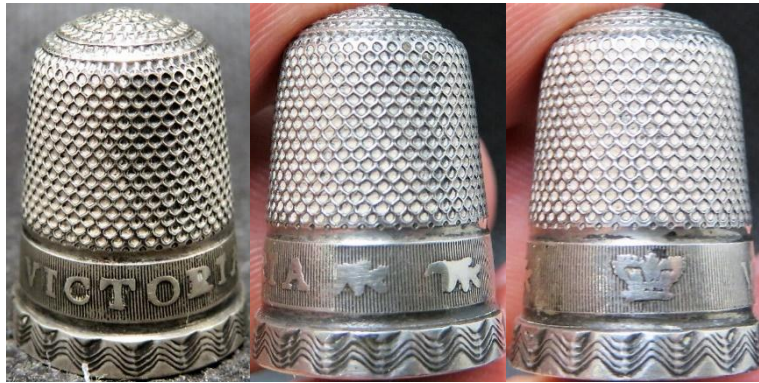
occasion unknown
VICTORIA
with thicker ornately patterned rim
sterling silver
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



occasion unknown
VICTORIA lettered in relief
with foliage & a crown
faceted rim
sterling silver
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



occasion unknown
VICTORIA
with garlands over striations on verso
nickel plate?
this thimble was not recorded by Friend



occasion unknown
 VICTORIA
 with oak leaves and a crown over striations on verso
 sterling silver
 Rim with five rows of wavy lines
 this thimble was not recorded by Friend



occasion unknown
 V R
 with a crown in between
 brass with its thimble holder
 this thimble was not recorded by Friend



occasion unknown
 Needle packets
 showing portraits of Victoria not portrayed on thimbles



occasion unknown
THE ROYAL folding NEEDLE CASE
Henry Milward & Sons

showing portraits of H.M. THE QUEEN – H.R.H THE PRINCE OF WALES – H.S.H. PRINCESS MARY
H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF YORK



occasion unknown
brass nanny brooch
made in Germany

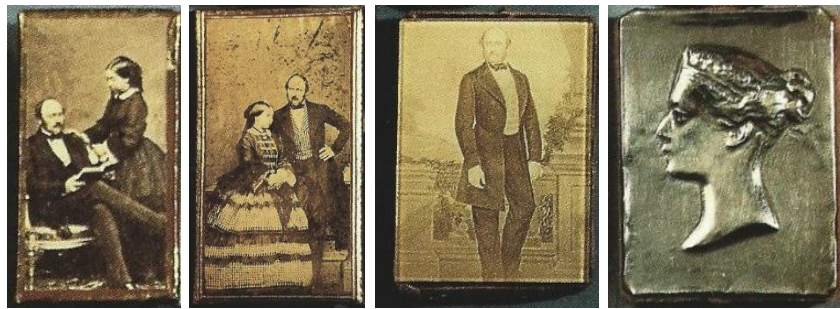
not dated but it has the 'DRGM 268036' registration lettered on the pin for 1905



occasion unknown
ROYAL VICTORIA NEEDLES



occasion unknown
VICTORIA card of sized thimbles
made in Barcelona, Spain
La Metalurgica Espanola S.A. Barcelona



occasions unknown
various needlepackets featured Queen Victoria and Prince Albert



date or occasion unknown
Pinwheel
a raised picture in the self green cardboard of the wheel showing Queen Victoria
some original pins on right
QUEEN'S PINS WARRANTED lettered in raised letters in a circle
Peyton & Iles



date or occasion unknown
Bone spools of thread
THE QUEEN'S ROYAL SEWING THREAD



date or occasion unknown
celluloid tape measure
celluloid invented in 1848 so this is too late for her coronation or wedding



date or occasion unknown
workbox

QV modern commemoratives or replicas



1976

Peter Swingler

handpainted enamel on sterling silver



1978

handpainted by *Wendy Bowen* of Hurley Porcelain, USA
as part of their HEROINES OF HISTORY series



1980

Wedgwood jasperware
from Kings and Queens of England set

This set of 41 was commissioned by the Heritage Collection or Calhoun's Collectors Society Inc
(Minneapolis, Minnesota USA)
20,000 sets were produced



1980s

pewter **replica**

Stephen Frost/Warwick Models - blackberry indentations
there is a hole in the rim of these replicas to signify the reproduction



1980s

Victoria 1840 Albert

pewter replica

Westair Reproduction

the accompanying box gives the details of the **reproduction**
but once separated this seems to be an 1840 thimble - NO!!



1984/1987

Victoria 1837-1901

handpainted enamel on sterling silver

Peter Swingler

part of his KINGS AND QUEENS OF ENGLAND set



1986

BIRTH OF PRINCE OF WALES 1841

sterling silver London

Charterhouse Mint

from a set of twelve replica thimbles, Thimbles through the Ages **reproductions**
they are correctly hallmarked with their year of manufacture



1986

CHRISTENING OF PRINCE OF WALES 1842

sterling silver London

Charterhouse Mint

from a set of twelve replica thimbles, Thimbles through the Ages reproductions
they are correctly hallmarked with their year of manufacture



1987

agateware

commemorating H.M. QUEEN VICTORIA 150 ANNIVERSARY JUNE 20TH 1837-1987

Tony Bouchet



1987

Philip D A Campbell

Tobermory Scotland

Throned 1937 VR

150th anniversary of the accession of Queen Victoria 1837-1987

sterling silver - Edinburgh



1987

Caverswall

THE 150-ANNIVERSARY OF QUEEN VICTORIA'S CORONATION



1987

Siegfried Flitsch

silver-plated & enamel

150TH ANNIVERSARY H.M QUEEN VICTORIA

RULE BRITANNIA



1987

Royal Crown Derby

pair of English bone china

QUEEN VICTORIA ACCESSION 20th JUNE 1837

PRINCE ALBERT CONSORT TO QUEEN VICTORIA 1840-1861

with gold George crosses on apex

limited to 5000 sets

L [1987]



1987

Sutherland

The 150th Anniversary of H.M Queen Victoria's Accession 1837-1987



1987

Woodsetton Peeps

recreation of Queen Victoria's GOLDEN JUBILEE 1987
peep shows Queen Victoria with three daughters



1987

Thimble Collectors Society

Queen VICTORIA 150th anniv. Of her ascension 21st June 1837. 100th anniv. Of the Golden Jubilee



1989

agateware

H.M QUEEN VICTORIA 1837-1901

Tony Bouchet

from the set of Monarchs of the 20th century



1992

QUEEN VICTORIA

Dunheved

handpainted bone china *Sheila Whitcombe*
limited edition of 350



1996

VICTORIA · DEI GRA · BRITT · REGINA · FID DEF · IND IMP.

(Victoria by the Grace of God Queen of the Britons, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India)

Swann Thimbles S(T) – Frank Jones

sterling silver – Birmingham



1996

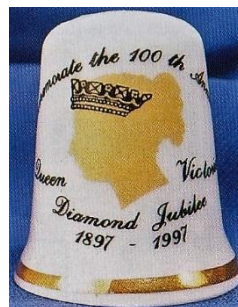
Christening of Prince of Wales 1842

Swann Thimbles S(T) – Frank Jones

sterling silver - Birmingham

In 1995, Arthur Bell of The Thimble Guild won the original of this thimble in the Edwin Holmes collection' auction for £450

. "After months of expensive experimentation (today's tools, however expertly used, are not quite the same of those of the 1840s) Frank Jones has used his masterly skills to recreate this important commemorative ..."
limited to 450



1997

To commemorate the 100th anniversary Queen Victoria Diamond Jubilee 1897 – 1997

china



1997
Swann Thimbles



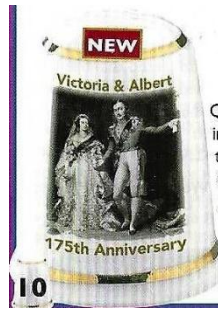
2001
THE END OF THE GLORIOUS REIGN OF QUEEN VICTORIA ONE HUNDRED YEARS 1901-2001
Woodsetton Peeps
black and blue lacquer on copper – with peep of Queen Victoria
R: black lacquer with no copper rim or apex



2001
Rachel Pugh
china
from her set of Monarchs of the 20th century



2013
china
Coronation of Queen Victoria 175th anniversary



2015
china

Coronation of Queen Victoria 175th anniversary



date unknown
Carol Ann Miniatures
handpainted pewter



date unknown
(Royal Collection shop, Buckingham Palace)
showing Queen Victoria's cipher
fine bone china



date unknown
L > R: *Francesca, Sutherland* and *Theodore Paul*
handpainted china heads 1980s-1990s



date unknown
Stephen Frost/Warwick Models
handpainted pewter



date unknown
VICTORIA 1819-1901
Peter Swingler
handpainted enamel on sterling silver



date unknown
Queen Victoria Prince Albert
Peter Swingler
handpainted enamel on sterling silver



date unknown
VICTORIA AND ALBERT
Balmoral Castle
1837-1901
Sutherland
heart-shaped china

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