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## CHORLEY'S AUCTION ON 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Halloween may be over but for those with a taste for the Gothic Chorley's auction on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2010 has just the thing. A collection of hand carts from a property near Dursley includes a funeral bier, Lot 25, estimated at £300-500. This would have been used to transport coffins and has an interesting provenance having been used as a prop in the film *'The Company of Wolves'* (1984). If this is too ghoulish for you then there are plenty of other hand carts to choose from including market barrows and a baker's cart.

Christmas is on the way and what better present to give than jewellery. The sale has jewellery for every taste and with estimates from under £100 to £5,000 there is something for every pocket. One of the most impressive and pretty pieces is Lot 243, a diamond crossover ring with two impressive diamonds and small diamonds to the shoulders. This carries expectations of £2,500-3,500 and would certainly make a powerful statement. Even more striking is Lot 271, a necklace of serpent form. This is articulated and set with turquoise beads to the head and body, the eyes are cabochon rubies and the mouth and eyebrows are diamond set. Contained in a fitted case this is a quality piece estimated at £3,000-5,000. Also of naturalistic form are Lot 294, a pair of diamond set earrings modelled as swallows estimated at £400-600.

A good collection of cigarette cards and postcards will excite collectors in these areas. Lot 342 is of particular interest being a large collection of early 20<sup>th</sup> Century postcards depicting Sussex villages. These are in three albums which have been painstakingly arranged in alphabetical order. It is rare to find this quantity of cards (almost 1000) relating to such a specific geographical area and the lot is estimated accordingly at £500-700.

Also for the collector is a large collection of toys and dolls. Anybody with an interest in Dr Who will be keen to get their hands on Lot 367, a 1964 Dalek in its original box, the auctioneers hope it will exterminate its £80-120 estimate. James Bond is also represented - Lot 380 is a Corgi model of Bond and his Aston Martin DB9 at an affordable £80-120. An earlier car is the Lehmann clockwork Tut -Tut car, Lot 421, the driver has a bugle to his lips and let's hope he has



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Lot 52 (part)



Lot 271



Lot 391, 387 & 392

something to blow his trumpet about at £280-320. There are over 20 lots of dolls including an Armand Marseille doll modelled as an oriental baby (Lot 387) which is only 8 inches long but should achieve £300-400.

There are two very unusual watches in the sale: the first, Lot 479, is actually a walking stick with silver knob and a small watch to the top of the shaft. This is a quirky item and should appeal to collectors of walking canes as well as clocks. At £250-350 it would make a great present for the man who has everything. Secondly, is Lot 485, a pocket watch with enamelled case, the verge movement signed by J A Mangaar (1746-1809). Mangaar was reputed to be the grandson of King Frederick IV of Denmark and while he may have had a royal lineage he often found himself facing financial difficulties. He was clearly a good watchmaker and this is an exciting find as watches by him are incredibly rare and seldom come onto the market, this example is estimated at £800-1200.

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**Sale Viewing is on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November from 9am-7pm, Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November from 9am-5pm and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November from 8.30am to 10.30am.**



Lot 144



Lot 228