



CITY AND COUNTY OF THE CITY OF CHESTER

Inventory of Corporation Plate, Insignia, and Regalia

IN 1908 a Resolution was passed at the City Council recommending that an Inventory of the Corporation Plate be made and entered in a special book; and that the Sheriff, for the time being, should sign a declaration that he will personally and carefully examine the City Plate, Insignia, and Regalia, and compare it with the Inventory, and certify the Mayor and Corporation as to the presence and condition of the same. The Resolution came into practical operation during the Shrievalty of Mr. H. B. Dutton (a Member of our Council), who sent to the Archdeacon of Chester a Copy of the Inventory for the Society's acceptance, and expressed the hope that it might at some future time appear in the Journal. We accordingly give it here, feeling sure that it will be of interest to our readers, and that they will feel grateful to Mr. Dutton for suggesting it and making it possible.

Inventory Number.	Date.		Actual Weight 1000.
1	—	The Great Seal of the City, 17th Century Silver; diameter 3 inches	Ounces 6'5
2	1506	The City Sword, the gift of King Henry VII., and Gold-Mounted Scabbard	—

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3	1668	The City Mace, of Silver Gilt, the gift of "Charles, Earle of Derby, Lord of Man and the Isles, Maior 1668"	Ounces. 161·1
4	1719	The City Silver Oar, Arms of Whitmore, impaling Vernon	6·95
5	1851	The Mayor's Gold Chain, John Williams, Mayor	24·53
6	1890	The Mayor's Jewel of Gold, 18 carat, with 51 Diamonds , the gift of Miss Nessie Brown	4·0
7	1721	The Mayor's Staff, Thomas Edwards, Mayor	—
8	—	The Mayor's Silver Seal, diameter 1·875 inches	2·36
9	1869	The Sheriff's Silver Gilt Chain, the gift of Alderman Francis Butt	17·78
10	1908	The Sheriff's Gold Badge, 18 carat, the gift of Mrs. H. B. Dutton	1·9
11	1867	The Sheriff's Staff, Thomas Bowers, Sheriff	—
12	—	The Sheriff's Silver Seal, Antique, on old Wood Mount	—
13	1679	Silver Tankard, the gift of Alderman Ralph Whittley	60·84
14	1670	Silver Tankard, the gift of Ald. William Wilson and Robt. Townsend	24·04
15	1677	Silver Tankard, the gift of Alderman Sir Thos. Grosvenor, Bart.	74·62
16	1680	Silver Tankard, the gift of Thos. Whittley, Freeman	131·88
17	1680	Silver Ewer, the gift of Alderman Col. Roger Whittley	38·66
18	1685	Silver Tankard, exchanged in Mayoralty of Wm. Wilson	28·37
19	1686	Silver Tankard, the gift of Alderman Hugh Grosvenor	30·94
20	1725	Silver Tankard, exchanged in Mayoralty of Thos. Bolland	21·17

Inventory Number.	Date.		Actual Weight 1900. Ounces.
21	1701	Silver Soup Ladle, 16½ inches, the gift of Alderman Peter Bennett	8·26
22	1715	Silver Soup Ladle, with Oak Handle , 18 inches, Francis Sayer, Mayor	5·55
23	1722	Silver Soup Ladle, with Ebony Handle , 17 inches, Lawrance Gother, Mayor	6·46
24	1701	Silver Salver, 12 inches, Hugh Starkey, Mayor	23·87
25 & 26	1701	Pair of Silver Salvors, 8 inches, Hugh Starkey, Mayor	16·99
27	1704	City Silver Tobacco Box, with Chained Stopper , 1673, Ed. Partington, Mayor	14·22
28	1729	Silver Sugar Castor, 8 inches, Thos. Brock, Mayor	10·17
29 & 30	1729	Pair of Silver Sugar Castors, 6½ inches, Thos. Brock, Mayor	13·4
31	1729	Large Silver Salver, 19 inches; no inscription	93·45
32	1732	Silver Mustard Spoon, Rat-tailed Handle	1·02
33—38	1751	Six Silver Sauce Boats, { 2 of 1750; no inscription { 4 ,, 1751 }	62·22
39	—	Gold Papal Medal, Clement XIV.; the gift of Thos. Harrison	·78
40	—	Silver Papal Medal, Clement XIV.; the gift of Thos. Harrison	·64
41 & 42	1789	Two Silver Half-pint Beaker Cups, the gift of Alderman Sir Howell Vaughan, Bart., Mayor	8·34
43	1796	Silver Cheese Taster, 7 inches; Thos. Barnes, Mayor	1·75
44—55	1802	Twelve Silver Candelabra, 13½ inches; and 12 Sconces, with 12 2-Light Branches ; and 24 Sconces of Old Sheffield Plate	—
56	1858	Silver Epergne, 2 feet 6 inches, with Glass Dish , bequeathed by Colonel Philip Stapleton Humberston, Mayor, 1857-8	227·9

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57	1858	Silver Salver, 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches, with Glass Dish , bequeathed by Colonel Philip Stapleton Humberston, Mayor, 1857-8	Ounces. 19'93
58	1904	Silver Gilt and Enamelled Casket, bequeathed by Samuel Smith, Town Clerk	173'6
59	1904	Gold Snuff Box, 18 carat; bequeathed by Samuel Smith, Town Clerk	3'52
60	1803	66 Silver Table Spoons, numbered; formerly 72; purchased	166'93
61	1803	66 Silver Tea Spoons, numbered; formerly 72; purchased	55'4
62	1806	17 Silver Salt Spoons; 1805 & 1806	5'3
63	1803	36 Silver-handled Steel-bladed Knives	—
64	1807	31 Silver-handled Three-pronged Forks	—
65	1880	City Brass Bell, the gift of James Salmon, Sheriff	—

