PERSONAL ACCESSORY

Unique ID: MAS-D100192

Object type certainty: Probably
Workflow status: Published

One gold T piece to believe part of a watch chain. These pieces were used to fasten the watch chain to an item of clothing, most often a wasitcoat. The T piece has a rounded embossing in the centre of the strip, with a small ring attached at this point for attaching the piece to a chain. The right end of the piece has a single ringed pattern shortly before terminating in a straight clean end. The left side of the piece has steps from the thicker piece to a thinner section extruding out a short distance. Given the date of sinking of the vessel from which it was recovered this item can reliably be dated to the middle of the 19th century.

Notes:

All of these items were recovered from the wreck of SS *Pomerania*, a German ocean liner steamer built in 1873 by J. Caird & Co., in Greenock. This vessel was one of many owned by the Hamburg Amerikanische Packetfahrt Actien Gesellschaft (HAPAG); a transatlantic shipping enterprise established in Hamburg in 1847 that transported hundreds of thousands of emigrants from Germany, Scandinavia, and eastern Europe to the United States, Canada, Latin America, and other destinations around the world. The ship sank in 1878, 5 miles SE of Folkestone whilst carrying 109 passengers and 111 crew en route from New York to Cherbourg and Hamburg, last from Plymouth, following a collision with Welsh barque Moel Eilian and resulting in the loss of 55 lives. NRHE and Kent HER reference numbers cited in this record refer to the wreck of SS *Pomerania*.

This item was found with a nineteenth century coin (MAS-D100191).

Class: DRESS AND PERSONAL ACCESSORIES **Sub class:** WATCH

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: With finder

Wreck details

Droit number: 134/18

Chronology

Broad period: NINETEENTH CENTURY
Period from: NINETEENTH CENTURY
Period to: NINETEENTH CENTURY
Date to: AD 1878

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

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Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Thursday 21st June 2018

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.
Recorded by: Mr Robbie Trevelyan

Other reference numbers

NRHE monument number: 883110
Other reference: Kent HER Number: TR 33 SW 26
Droit ID: 134/18

Materials and construction

Primary material: Yellow metal
Completeness: Fragment

Spatial metadata

County or Unitary authority: Kent (County)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TR1026
Four figure Latitude: 50.995066
Four figure longitude: 0.99125136
1:25K map: TR1026
1:10K map: TR12NW
Display four figure position on What3Words
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Diving
Discovery circumstances: Pomerania
Current location: With finder

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