

# Palmers Green Hoard of Richard II Coins, 1911

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In Thompson's Inventory<sup>1</sup> he gives information for two coin hoards found in 1911 in Palmers Green; his "Palmers Green #1" (Ref 247) is a well documented hoard, consisting mainly of Henry III long cross pennies, and is not in any doubt. However, his second hoard, "Palmers Green #2", (Ref 248) is almost undocumented, and it is this one that is the subject of this brief article.

The only contemporary reference seems to be the brief entry in the Irish Times for 12<sup>th</sup> May 1911 entitled "Treasure Trove" and which reads *"The Coroner for the district has ordered an inquest regarding the finding some days ago of several hundreds of coins bearing the effigy of Richard II at Palmers Green. The coins, which were unearthed by some builders' workmen, were in a good state of preservation"*.

It is interesting that this account appears in an Irish paper shortly after discovery of the hoard, and one wonders whether there may be a newspaper error in reporting the find location, as there is a Palmerstown Green in Dublin, and this might actually be the location of the find.

Note that H.E. Manville published several articles<sup>2,3</sup> updating and correcting Thompson's Inventory, but made no change to this particular hoard.

If any readers are familiar with this hoard and can shed more light on it then please do use the blog contact form to provide feedback.

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<sup>1</sup> J.D.A. Thompson, Inventory of British Coin Hoards A.D. 600-1500. RNS Special Publications No. 1 (Oxford, 1956).

<sup>2</sup> H.E. Manville, 1993, Additions And Corrections To Thompson's Inventory And Brown And Dolley's Coin Hoards - Part 1, BNJ 63, ([Link](#))

<sup>3</sup> H.E. Manville, 1995, Additions And Corrections To Thompson's Inventory And Brown And Dolley's Coin Hoards - Part 2, BNJ 65, ([Link](#))