

RULES FOR THE
JOHN SANFORD SALTUS MEDAL.

MCMX.

WHEREAS Mr. John Sanford Saltus,¹ of Broadway, New York, U.S.A., an original Member, and since January, 1910, a Vice-President of this Society, being desirous of encouraging its aims and objects, offered to found a gold medal, to be designed, struck, and awarded under the following Rules and Conditions, and for that purpose has deposited the sum of £200 in the hands of the President and Treasurer of the Society.

And whereas the said Rules and Conditions were on the 25th day of May, 1910, approved by the Council, and on the same day adopted by the Society in general meeting.

At the suggestion of the President, Mr. Carlyon-Britton, it was thought that the medal should be called and known as the John Sanford Saltus Medal in recognition of its founder. With this the Donor acquiesced, and the name was adopted by the Society.

At the same meetings the best thanks of the Council and of the Society were gratefully and unanimously accorded to Mr. Saltus for his generosity to it, and for his enterprise in the encouragement of the science of numismatics.

RULES AND CONDITIONS.

The Fund.

1. After deducting the cost of the preparation of the dies and of providing the medals hereinafter mentioned for the years 1910 and 1911, the surplus of the fund shall be invested in securities for the time being authorized by law for trust investments, in the names of the

¹ Now, Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur.

President and Treasurer for the time being, or in those of two or more persons appointed by the Council as trustees thereof, and the income only of the fund shall be applied to the cost of providing and awarding the medals.

THE MEDAL.

The Design and Legend.

2. The obverse shall bear a device representing Britannia standing on the sea-shore and looking towards the British Dominions beyond the Seas, surrounded by the legend THE BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

The reverse shall bear the legend "THE JOHN SANFORD SALTUS TRIENNIAL MEDAL, awarded to..... by the vote of the members for contributions to the Society's publications" [the name of the recipient and date of the award being engraved in spaces left for that purpose].

3. In case such device and legend, other than the name of the Founder, shall from constitutional changes or other unforeseen circumstance become inappropriate or obsolete, they may be changed or varied within the spirit of the Founder's expressed intentions as aforesaid.



THE GOLD MEDAL.¹

¹ The Medal is the art of Mr. Frank Bowcher, and struck by Messrs. Spink and Son, Ltd., London. The word "Triennial," on the reverse, owing to the exigencies of space, was omitted when the design was approved by resolution of the Members at the General Meeting.

The Issue and Award.

4. One medal struck in gold approximately of the value, including the cost of production, of the then accumulated income of the fund shall be awarded every third year commencing with the year 1914.

5. A similar medal shall be provided out of the capital of the fund, and awarded in the year 1910.¹

6. A similar medal shall be provided in part out of the then accumulated income, and as to the balance out of the said capital, and awarded in the year 1911.¹

7. So far as is possible the said medals shall always be of uniform appearance and value, subject nevertheless to Rule 11.

8. The medal shall be awarded to the Member of the Society whose paper or papers appearing in the Society's publications shall receive the highest number of votes from the Members, as being in their opinion the best in the interest of numismatic science. A successful candidate shall not again be eligible for the award.

9. Clause 11. of Chapter VI of the Society's Rules shall, so far as it is applicable, be the method by which the ballot for the award shall be taken, and a printed form for this purpose shall accompany the voting papers which are there provided for the election of the President, Council, and Officers, and shall be returnable, counted, and adjudicated with them at the Anniversary Meeting in each year in which the medal is to be awarded. Such printed form shall contain the words "I award my vote to _____, as the author of the paper on _____, printed in the Society's publications," with a space left for the Member's signature, or in the case of a Corporate body or Institution, for that of an official thereof. It may also contain a list of the names of previous recipients and of any recent contributors who are then no longer Members of the Society, and therefore not eligible for the award, and advice may be offered by the Council to Members as to the spirit in which their votes should be given, namely, a reminder of the Donor's object in founding the medal, and that they should not be biassed by the presence or absence of plates or illustrations to the papers, for that

¹ So that the triennial periods should date back to the inauguration of the Society.

is usually a matter within the discretion of the Editors. Nevertheless, such advice shall be general and impartial. Directions as to the method of voting may also be added.

10. No contributor who is not a Member of the Society when the voting papers are prepared, and also when they are decided, shall be eligible for the award.

11. In the case of a paper by joint authors receiving the award, or of a tie between two or more authors, the medal may be jointly awarded to them ; or the Council then elected for the succeeding year may make such arrangement in rectitude as they may deem proper, and their decision shall be final.

12. In the case of more than one paper by the same author receiving votes, the votes accorded in respect of all such papers shall be credited to such author for the purpose of the award, but if he or she be the successful candidate, the paper which has received most of the votes shall be deemed to be that for which the medal is awarded.

13. Any canvassing by or on behalf of a candidate shall render his or her success inoperative, and the decision of the Council shall be absolute on this head, nor need they express any reasons therefor, but they may either award the medal to the author who shall have received the next highest number of votes, or reissue the voting papers including the name of the disqualified candidate in the list provided by Rule 9 of those ineligible for the award, and reconduct the ballot either then or in the following year, or make such other arrangements as may seem to them expedient.

14. In case there shall be any irregularity in the ballot, or in the preparation of the voting papers, or in case the author receiving the highest number of votes shall be ineligible, the same shall not annul the award unless the Council shall decide otherwise, and they may, if they think proper, in such case of disqualification award the medal to the author who shall have received the next highest number of votes ; but if they shall decide to so annul the award they may reissue the voting papers and reconduct the ballot either then or in the following year, or make such other arrangements as they may deem expedient.

15. The medal shall, if circumstances permit, be presented by the

President or Chairman to the successful candidate in person at an Anniversary or Ordinary Meeting of the Society; but in case the recipient cannot attend, the President or Chairman shall declare the presentation in his absence. In each case he shall use the formula: "You have been awarded the John Sanford Saltus Medal for the period 19 to 19 , by the vote of the Members of the British Numismatic Society, for your contributions to the Society's publications."

GENERAL.

16. The foregoing Rules shall, so far as is possible, evolve with and upon any constitutional changes in the Society and bind its successors, but in case any difficulty shall arise in the construction placed upon them or in their operation the ruling of the Council shall determine the same.

