

A Second Specimen of the Early Class 7 Coin of Renavd of London as reported in this Blog, October 2018¹

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At around the time my 2018 article was published, a detectorist searching in Shropshire on 15th September 2018 found a coin which featured in a Portable Antiquities Scheme report with the Record ID: 'WREX-FC89EB – MEDIEVAL coin' with a further reference being 'NWales [PAS 190404/2](#)'. The PAS report suggests that the coin is from class 6 but, as stated in my previous note, I allocated the original coin to class 7 as an early specimen. I set out below copies of the obverse and reverse images of both coins with my coin on the top and the new one on the bottom:



¹ The Recent Finds of Two Late Coins of London from the Long Cross Series in the Name of Henry III – Bob Thomas, BNS Research Blog, October 2018.

Whilst the second coin is no more than fine it appears to be a die duplicate of both the obverse and the reverse of the first where it also confirms the reverse reading. In particular I would draw readers' attention to the pellets below the chin and between the neck lines and the base of the letter V in AVD in quarter two of the reverse. Any remaining doubters of the authenticity of the first coin should also find comfort from two more factors, namely a good weight of 1.44 grams and a location spot from the far side of the country.

I am grateful to Rob Page who drew my attention to the PAS Report and provided images and some useful thoughts. Rob is currently in course of producing a short series of articles² on the class 7 coins of the mints known for class 7 with a view to proposing a classification of the class as was suggested in Chapter four, page 50 and Appendix 7 of the Brussels Hoard Book³. I gather he shares my thought that these two coins should be allocated to a class designated as 7a.

I am also aware of the recent discovery of another Class 7 coin for Robert of Durham; only fair to fine but similar to others known.



² Henry III (Posthumous), Class 7 Pennies from the London Mint, Rob Page, Sept. 2020, BNS Research Blog, and Henry III (Posthumous), Class 7 Pennies from the London Mint, Pt 2 – Renaud, Rob Page, Sept 2020, BNS Research Blog

³ Churchill Ron & Thomas Bob, The Brussels Hoard of 1908: The Long Cross Coinage of Henry III. 2012 .