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Form: Circular

By: Myers Bros. Cape Town

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Variations:

Size	Metal	Mass	Value
38.7 mm	Copper-Bronze	29.4gm	\$80

Edge: Plain.

Obverse: On the left, in an oval frame, bareheaded bust of the Duchess, front. On the right, in a oval frame, bust of the Duke in naval uniform with cap, front. Between the frames, sea with radiant sun on the horizon, rays extending upwards. Clasped hands below. On a scroll at the top, across: "DUKE & DUCHESS (in an arc) / OF / CORNWALL / & YORK". Legend at the bottom: "CAPE COLONY'S WELCOME".

Reverse: Within a laurel wreath tied at the bottom, arms of the Cape Colony with antelope supporters, Hope crest and motto: ".S.P.I.E.S.B.O.N.A.". Below on a raised cartouche, almost obscuring the wreath, across: "TO COMMEMORATE / THE VISIT OF / THE / DUKE & DUCHESS OF CORNWALL / & YORK TO / CAPE COLONY / 1901". Maker's name close to the rim: "MYERS BROS (left) CAPE TOWN (bottom) AND (right, the remainder indistinct)".

Notes: The visit to South Africa was part of a world tour of British Colonies to show Royal appreciation for their support during the Boer War.