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Form: Circular with ornate ribbon bar riveted to the medal. The ribbon is orange bordered with two outer wide blue stripes and narrow inner blue stripes.

By: Obverse after William Wyon. Reverse Leonard Charles Wyon.

Date: 1853

Ref: MYB: 115; Laidlaw: 1110;

Variations: **Size** **Metal** **Mass** **Value**

36 mm	Silver	\$700 and upwards
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Edge: Engraved with the rank, name and unit of the recipient. This medal: "DRUMR. J. OWENS. 74TH. REGT."

Obverse: Diademed head of young Queen Victoria, left. Signed on truncation: "W. WYON R.A.". Legend: "VICTORIA (left) REGINA (right)".

Reverse: Lion crouching on platform, left, protea bush behind. In the exergue: "1853". Legend: "SOUTH AFRICA". Signed: "L.C. at the foot."

Notes: The medal was issued (without a clasp) to British and Colonial troops engaged in various actions against several native tribes in the north eastern part of the Cape Colony between 1834 and 1853.