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Form: Circular holed for a ring to a second for a yellow-purple-yellow ribbon with an ornate top pin-bar impressed: "CROWNED JUNE 26TH 1902"

By: Frank Bowcher / Spink & Sons of London.

Date: 1902

Ref: AM2: 81; Laidlaw: 0759b;

Variations:

Size	Metal	Mass	Value
33.1 mm	White Metal	13.9 gm	\$35

Edge: Plain.

Obverse: Conjoined crowned and robed busts of the King and Queen, right. Signed: "SPINK & SON" on the truncation. Legend: "EDWARD VII (left) ALEXANDRA (right)".

Reverse: Helmeted female figure of Empire holding King's crown aloft in front of Westminster Abbey. On the right, a youthful Britannia with trident and Union shield. On the left for children representing the continents of the Empire: Africa with earrings, Australia with hat holding a Kangaroo, America with feather headdress and India, and all, together with Britannia, linked with a garland. Legend, above left: "GOD SAVE THE KING". In the exergue: "CROWNED JUNE 26TH / 1902".

Notes: This medal is almost the same as Laidlaw 0759a. The most apparent difference, apart from the metal, is that Bowcher's mark has been removed.

The coronation had to be postponed to 9 August because the King required emergency surgery for appendicitis. It is reported (BHM and Eimer) that some medals bear the revised date.