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Form: Circular holed at 12 o'clock

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Variations:	Size	Metal	Mass	Value
	38 mm	White Metal		\$10

Edge: Plain.

Obverse: Conjoined crowned busts of the King and Queen, left, he in uniform. Sprigs of roses, shamrocks and thistles around. Legend in ornate letters: "EDWARD VII (left) QUEEN ALEXANDRA (right)".

Reverse: Two shields inclined toward each other and overlapping. The left shield, representing the British Empire, is quartered with (1) Star of India, (2) kangaroo – Australia, (3) scale balance – New Zealand and (4) beaver – Canada and with a small shield for Cape Colony superimposed in the centre. On the right shield, the British Royal coat of arms. To the left, a garland with roses (England), shamrocks (Ireland) and thistles (Scotland). To the right, a laurel branch. Above, the Imperial Crown. Two clasped hands across the divide between the shields at the bottom. On a ribbon below: "GOD SAVE THE KING". Above the ribbon, the legend: "KING OF GREAT BRITAIN & CLONIES ACROSS THE SEA & EMPEROR OF INDIA CROWNED 1902".

Notes: King Edward VII (Albert Edward; 1841-1910) was the eldest son of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert. He succeeded to the throne on his mother's death on 22 January 1902 and was crowned on 9 August 1902.

Fenwick used the reverse design of this medal on several other medals from this period. All bear the registration number 355487.