

Military Medals at Charterhouse

A group of World War II and other medals awarded to Sergeant Francis Mason are expected to sell for well over £1,000 in the Charterhouse auction of collectors' items in Sherborne on **Friday 17th March**.

“Francis Mason was not only awarded a Meritorious Service Medal, but also a Military Medal for bravery in the field which is quite a scarce gallantry award with just over 15,000 such medals awarded in the Second World War”, commented Richard Bromell. “As a soldier in The Royal Artillery, he served in India before the Second World War. During the war, he was taken as a Prisoner of War and afterwards he enrolled as a Yeoman Warder’s of Her Majesty’s Royal Palace and Fortress The Tower of London in 1951, which we usually just refer to as a Beefeater, a position he held until 1972”

The medals, estimated at £1,000 - £1,500, are being entered into the Charterhouse auction from his family who live in Kent. They come to auction with a good range of formal military photographs, letters and ephemera all relating to Mason which adds value for collectors.



Sergeant Francis Mason with his medals.

Charterhouse is now accepting entries for their Spring programme of auctions including coins, medals, stamps, clock and collectors' items in March followed by pictures, print and books with a selection of hunting, shooting, fishing and other sporting items in April. They are also accepting entries for their next auction of classic and vintage cars in April.

For further information regarding these auctions, or to arrange a home visit, please contact **Richard Bromell** at Charterhouse, The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne **01935 812277** or email items for valuation at **info@charterhouse-auction.com**