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Antique Sunderland plate "Manchester Unity of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows"

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1020651****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Description

Beautiful early Victorian Sunderland pink lustreware commemorative plate / wall plaque of oblong body, with a fluted border. Decorated to the centre with a symbolic black transferware design for the widows and orphans of Odd Fellows and inscribed "Manchester Unity of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows". Unmarked, by provenance made by Moore & Co. of Wear Pottery, c. 1840's. The plate has a secure hook on reverse for hanging. 523 g 22.5 cm in width 20 cm in height 2.8 cm in depth. Sunderland pink lustreware is the most famous English lustreware pottery produced, mostly in the early 19th century around the Sunderland area, England. One of the most famous Friendly Societies in the Commonwealth, Odd Fellows is an international fraternity consisting of lodges first documented in 1730 in London. Both modern Freemasonry and the Odd Fellows came into existence around the same time, the 18th century, and both came from the workers guilds. However, unlike the Freemasons that put emphasis on self-improvement, the Odd Fellowship prioritised doing good works in the community. Excellent antique condition. In the lower right corner there is a slight chip, otherwise no damage or si...

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