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Form: Circular. Low quality casting.

By: L. Courlander & Co., Du Toit's Pan Road, Kimberley

Date: 1885

Ref: AM2: 27 (silver); Laidlaw: 1337;

Variations:

Size	Metal	Mass	Value
44.6 mm	White Metal	31.4 gm	\$12

Edge: Plain.

Obverse: Seated figure of Hope with anchor, front. To left grape vines and to right a sheep.

Reverse: Within a laurel wreath tied with a ribbon at the bottom, across: "GRIQUALAND (in an arc) / WEST / AGRICULTURAL / HORTICULTURAL (in an arc) / SOCIETY / 1885". Sinned at the foot: "MANUFACTURED BY COURTLANDER & Co. KIMBERLEY."

Notes: L. Courlander & Co was a general merchant in Kimberley. The company had partners in the United Kingdom who were merchants and jewelers. The partnership was dissolved in 1887.

Griqualand West is a territory in the north west part of what is now the Cape Province. Originally it was the home of the a mixed race, Afrikaans speaking people. With the discovery of diamonds at Kimberley and the influx of Europeans it became a British Colony in 1871 which was subsequently united with the Cape Colony in 1880.

Nothing is known about the Griqualand West Agriculture and Horticultural Society.