



EIGHTH WONDER Medal

Henry medal bought for a king's ransom

BY **JAMES PODESTA**

A RARE Henry VIII medal has sold for £246,000 – four times its estimate.

The gold Supremacy Medal, one of only five known to exist, sparked a bidding war at auction.

It is the only one not in a museum collection.

The artefact from 1545 commemorates Henry VIII becoming head of the Anglican Church and turning away from Rome.

The auctioneers, Lugdunum in Switzerland, said it is the “kind of medal that only appears on the market once in a lifetime”.

Experts think the Supremacy Medal is the first English commemorative medal ever produced.

The vendor will donate the proceeds towards the reconstruction of the Notre-Dame Cathedral in Paris after the fire in 2019.



BY **LOUIE SMITH**

MUM Ayshah Mat...
expecting daughter...
huge baby – but the re...
as a weighty surprise

The not-so-little bun...
the scales at 12lb, wh...
newborn girl is 7lb 4oz.

Eloise is believed to...
largest baby girl to have...
naturally in the UK.

Not only that... her br...
had gas and air for pair...

But mum-of-four Ay...
birth to Eloise at hom...
experience as “amazing”

She added: “It was...
think maybe it was beca...
to expect because she v...

“But it was my first h...
was such a different ex...
so much more relaxed



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