

## **Lot 622 Chamberlain's Worcester china dessert service of red, yellow and gold decoration, bearing the Smyth Crest, comprising 21 pieces**

- 2 ice pails with liners and covers
- Shaped comport
- 3 oval openwork baskets
- 4 oval openwork dishes
- 3 shaped dishes
- 3 plates
- Ladle
- Dessert service 21 piece £35

Current location unknown.

This dessert service was sold for £35 in the 1947 sale.

As the sale catalogue doesn't mention that the dessert service is to match lots 620 and 621, therefore it is possibly of a different design.

### **About Chamberlain's Worcester Dinner and other services**

Chamberlain's Worcester Dinner and other services, such as this dessert service, were opulent handcrafted porcelain dinnerware made by the H. & R. Chamberlain factory in Worcester. The services were especially sought after from the late 18<sup>th</sup> to early 19<sup>th</sup> century, and were often commissioned by the aristocracy. Dinner services with coats of arms were bespoke sets featuring specific family crests and designs making each set unique.

### **Which the coat of arms featured?**

This is not known. If the set was manufactured between the late 18<sup>th</sup> century and the early 19<sup>th</sup> century the occupant of Ashton Court at that time would have been Sir John Smyth, the 4<sup>th</sup> baronet 1776-1849. Sir John never married, therefore the coat of arms may have simply been that of the Smyth family.

