



Jetton in Commemoration of the Centenary of the Alexander I Institute of Railway Engineers, 1910 issue.

Silver, solid gold (superimposed Railroad emblem on the reverse), enamels. Measures 21.8 mm in height not including the attachment chain, 36.0 mm in width; weighs 13.6 g incl. the chain. Massive (for its size) and beautifully detailed. The obverse shows the cypher of Emperor Alexander I superimposed on an emerald-green enameled background with a guilloche pattern underneath. The scrolls along the edge in the upper portion immediately below the crown are accented with darker green enamel. On the reverse, the Russian railroad emblem of anchor and axe is a separate superimposed part in solid gold. The bottom of the reverse has a small image of a frog, the unofficial mascot of the institute. As typical of this jetton, there are no hallmarks.

Outstanding, excellent condition. The enamel is pristine and exhibits a magnificent luster. There is almost none of the usual wear to the exposed parts of the crown, whereas the rest of the artwork is literally pristine, with exceptionally crisp details. A truly superb piece!

/Aleksandr Ivanov, Jettons of the Russian Empire, C. 2004, fig. 176 (note that the example from the collection of the Russian History Museum shown in the book has a silver rather than solid-gold railroad emblem)/

Please note, the penny in our photo is for size reference.

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