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Sale of the 'Pioneer Boone Family Collection' of Liberty Seated Half Dollars

Another extensive collection of Liberty Seated half dollars was sold this past month. It was assembled by James Bailey, a longtime LSCC member and a descendent of Daniel Boone. His "Pioneer Boone Family Collection" was sold by Heritage Auctions on May 16th and included about 340 Liberty Seated half dollars. Some of the more interesting and/or rare issues are listed in the following table.

* This collection included the finest example of the four known 1842 small date, small letter reverse half dollars. An uncirculated 1878-S, the rarest collectible Liberty Seated half dollar date was also part of this sale.

<u>1840-(O)</u>	NGC	XF45	\$1,380	WB-4, medium letters
1840-O	ANACS	XF40	\$720	
1842 SD SL *	PCGS	MS64	\$84,000	WB-1
1844-O	PCGS	AU53	\$660	
1844-O	NGC	AU58	\$5,520	WB-22, FS-301, doubled date
1846	NGC	AU55	\$2,040	WB-7, 6 over horizontal 6
1846	NGC	MS62	\$5,280	WB-7, 6 over horizontal 6
1846-O	PCGS	AU58	\$1,440	Medium date
1850-O	PCGS	AU55	\$2,280	
1851	PCGS	AU50	\$2,200	
1851	PCGS	AU55	\$2,760	WB-8, misplaced date
1852	NGC	AU58	\$2,640	
1855-O	PCGS CAC	AU53	\$660	
1856-S	NGC	VG8	\$276	
1861-O	NGC	AU55	\$3,360	No die marriage ID
1861-O	NGC	MS64	\$6,300	WB-2, Union issue
1861-O	ANACS	AU50	\$7,200	WB-11, Confederate obverse
1873 NA open 3	NGC	AU58	\$21,600	WB-101, no arrows, open 3
1873 NA closed 3	NGC	AU58	\$1,080	WB-105, no arrows, closed 3
1875-CC	PCGS	AU50	\$1,320	
1875-CC	PCGS CAC	AU58	\$2640	
1878-S *	NGC	MS62	\$93,000	WB-1