

## Silver Plate Cricket Plaque

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## Description

Cricket Trophy Plaque.

A wonderful oval cricket plaque in raised relief. The plated plaque has been mounted onto a wooden board covered in black crushed velvet. It was made by William Hutton & Sons and was probably made as a center piece for a cricket trophy. The scene is of a cricket match with the two batsmen running to their wickets. The out fielder has thrown the ball to the wicket keeper who is trying to catch the ball before the batsman can return to the crease. The plaque is highly detailed and is stamped with William Hutton & Sons mark. The company started in the early 19th century, and was taken over by James Dixon in 1930.

The firm was established in Birmingham by William Hutton in 1800 and transferred in Sheffield in 1832 where the firm was active as manufacturing silversmiths and platers at 27 High Street (140-146 West Street from 1886).

After his death the business was continued under the same style by the founder's son William Carr Hutton until 1864, when the name was changed to William Hutton & Son. This was a partnership of William Carr Hutton and his youngest son Herbert Hutton (senior, born 1843).

William Carr Hutton died in 1865 and c. 1870 Herbert Hutton Sr. was joined by his brothers James Edward Hutton (b. 1839) and Robert (b. 1840) and the name was changed to William Hutton & Sons.

A London showroom was opened in 1863 (13 Thavies Inn Holborn until 1891, and later 7 Farrington Road until 1918).

In 1893 the firm acquired Rupert Favell & Co (manufacturer silversmith at Bucknall Street, Oxford Street, London) and in the same year became William Hutton & Sons Ltd.

The firm acquired Creswick & Co in 1902, beginning to use their crossed arrows marks.

The last Hutton family MD was Herbert Hutton Jr. before the company failed in 1930. That was due to lack of foresight by the Chairman of the Board of directors (information courtesy Michael Hutton). The firm was absorbed by James Dixon & Sons in 1930.

CHRONOLOGY:

William Hutton 1800-1818 Hutton & Houghton 1818-1820 William Hutton 1820-1864 William Hutton & Son 1864-c.1870 William Hutton & Sons c.1870-1893 William Hutton & Sons Ltd 1893- c.1930

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