## Lot 125



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**Date** 25.09.2025, ca. 20:04

HISTORICAL DEMI-PARURE: SEED-PEARL-NECKLACE AND EARRINGS.

Origin: Presumably England.

Date: Ca. 1850.

Material: 585/- yellow gold, tested.

Total Weight: ca. 36,0 g.

Measurement: Length necklace 41,0 cm, Earring length 7,4 cm.

Gemstones: Lots of tiny to small seed pearls Ø ca. 0,6 - 3,5 mm, mother-of-pearl elements.

Description: Victorian seed pearl sets were typically worn on festive occasions: they were often worn at weddings or given to young women as a special gift on their 18th birthday. Tiny seed pearls were artfully strung onto mother-ofpearl and secured with fine horsehair in a process of exquisite craftsmanship. The pearl itself was considered a symbol of purity and virginity.

The proceeds will go to a charitable foundation.

Condition: In good overall condition for its age. A small strand of seed pearls at the clasp of the necklace is broken. Both earrings are broken at the mother-of-pearl settings. The seed pearls show impurities in a few places. The bottom pearl of the necklace shows traces of glue, probably from a later repair attempt. The gold is heavily oxidised in some places.

Estimate: 500 € - 600 €

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