THE WHITWORTH HALL SECOND COURSE DISHES. Made in London in 1802 by William Stroud.

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Description

The Dishes are circular in form with a raised rim which is decorated with a plain gadrooned band. The border is engraved with a contemporary Armorial surrounded by a cartouche of drapery mantling, which was a typical design at this date. The Dishes are in excellent condition and are very well marked. The Armorial is that of Shaftoe, quartering Duncombe, impaling Eden. They are specifically those of Robert Eden Duncombe of Whitworth Hall, County Durham and his wife Catherine, daughter of Sir John Eden, 4th Bt Windlestone. Robert was born in 1776 and married in 1803. He was M.P. for Durham in 1804 and succeeded to the family estates in 1802 on the death of his childless elder brother. These dishes were probably ordered in the run up to his marriage in 1802. Their eldest son, and heir, married Charlotte Rosa, daughter of William Baring MP. and the grand daughter of Henry Howard, 4th Earl of Carlisle. However, she did not inherit the Duncombe estates, which devolved upon the next male heir, subsequently Barons and later Earls of Faversham. These dishes would have been used to serve on the dining table. William Stroud was a fine maker of serving items and made many fine sets of dinner plates, amongst other items.

Diameter: 11 inches, 27.5cm.
Weight: 58oz, the pair.

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