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Early 20th century emerald and diamond panel brooch, English c.1915, probably by London & Ryder, of garland style, the openwork hexagonal panel centred by a trio of oval cabochon emeralds,

framed by diamond set foliate clusters and spaced by concentric channels of calibre cut emeralds, enclosed by a scalloped edge diamond border, mounted in platinum and gold, the diamonds of old single, cushion and rose cut and millegrain set, together with a fitted London & Ryder retailer's case, (one emerald deficient)

Provenance:

From the estate of Edward Alfred Alexander Baldwin (1938 - 2021). Edward was the grandson of Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin, and the fourth Earl Baldwin of Bewdley. Stanley Baldwin was from an extraordinary family: Rudyard Kipling was his first cousin, Edward Burne-Jones and Edward Poynter were both uncles, his mother Louisa was a novelist, and her siblings included the famous Macdonald sisters. Edward Baldwin was committed to rehabilitating his grandfather's reputation and, being an only child, spent much of his life as sole custodian of these family objects.

London & Ryder (1861-1929), described themselves as 'many years principal assistants to C F Hancock', took over the premises and business of Thomas Hancock at 17 Bond Street and continued to trade there until c.1929 when they were taken over by Finnigans Ltd of 18 New Bond street.

Length 4.3cm / 1 11/16"

Height 3.7cm / 1 7/16"

Weight: 13g