



Pair Of Parian Figures, Young England & Young England's Sister

£980



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Height: 39.5 cm (15.6")

Width: 12.5 cm (4.9")

Depth: 15 cm (5.9")

Description

Vintage Copeland Parian Figures, Young England & His Sister.

A very good pair of Copeland figures, Parian Ware, entitled 'Young England' and 'Young England's Sister'. Both figures cast by the sculptor George Halse. Young England is seen reading a book with a cricket bat resting behind him, whilst his sister is holding a book and pencil with a croquet mallet and ball behind her. found on their bases 'Young England, Copeland M91, Copyright Reserved, G. Halse Sc' & 'Young England.s Sister, Copeland N96, Copyright Reserved'.

'Parian' is the name now used for a form of porcelain developed in England in the early 1840's essentially designed to imitate carved marble. It is a high quality unglazed porcelain, a type of bisque porcelain, prepared in a liquid form and cast in a mould. This was at the time when large marble statues and busts were common in Stately Homes and this was an affordable way for people to bring into their homes smaller scale copy. Copeland called their Parian wares 'Statuary Porcelain', Minton used 'Parian' in reference to the fine white marble from the Greek Island of Paros and Wedgwood called their wares 'Carrara' after the fine Italian marble.