

A very unusual George III Salver or Decanter Stand made in London in 1780 by Thomas Heming.

£1,450



Description

The Salver is circular in form and stands on three scroll feet decorated with a beaded border and foliate spears. The raised rim has a double bead band enclosing a band of flower heads in roundels, all on a matted ground. This is the first time we have seen this unusual design. The Salver is in excellent condition and is very well marked on the reverse. Thomas Heming was principal Goldsmith to the King in 1760, an appointment which he held until 1782. Some of his earliest surviving pieces in the Royal Collection show a French delicacy of taste, and refinement of execution, which was unquestionably inherited from his Master, Peter Archambo. His masterpiece is most probably the Speaker's Wine Cistern, 1770, at Belton House, Lincolnshire. Diameter: 6.25 inches, 15.63 cm. Height: 1 inch, 2,5 cm. Weight: 8oz.