MARY COOKE ANTIQUES LTD Fine Antique Silver

The Charge of the Light Brigade. An outstanding set of four George IV Salt/Spice Cellars made in London in 1822 by Robert Garrard.

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Description

The Cellars are of an exceptional weight and stand on four very detailed cast paw feet, which display lion mask mouldings, where they are applied to the main body. Each is of a circular form with a shaped gadrooned rim and gilded interior. The side of each is engraved with a contemporary Crest below the Coronet of an Earl. Each piece is in exceptional condition, is well marked and is engraved with GARRARDS, PANTON STREET, LONDON. The maker's mark of RG, has a crown above it indicating the firms status as Royal silversmiths. They were also to become Crown Jewellers during the reign of Queen Victoria. The Crest and Coronet are those as used by Robert Brudenell, 6th Earl of Cardigan. He succeeded to the estates of his uncle, the 5th Earl, in 1811 and their seat was Deene Park in Northamptonshire. His most famous son was the 7th Earl of Cardigan (1797-1868) who succeeded his father in his titles and estates. He is most well known for leading the Charge of the Light Brigade as Lieutenant General. Cardigan led the charge against the Russians in the Battle of Balaklava. Diameter @ 3.6 inches, 9cm. Height: 2 inches, 5cm. Weight: 30oz in Weight.