A rare Scottish Travelling Pepper made in Edinburgh circa 1860, maker's mark of Mc.G in a rectangular cut cornered punch.

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Description

This rare piece is of a slender cylindrical form and is plain in design, with a screw off cover pierced with plain roundels, which can be closed by pushing the small button to the right. The cover is also engraved with pluming scrolls and stylised foliate motifs. The front is engraved with a shield shaped Armorial, with Motto below engraved on a banner and the Coronet of a Viscount above. The Pepper is in excellent condition and it is very well marked on the base.The arms are those of Drummond beneath a Viscount's coronet and the motto was used by Drummond. The Drummonds, Viscounts Strathallan, were on the wrong side (and slain) in the 1745 Jacobite rebellion and lost their title but got it back in 1824. The Viscount Strathallan who got the title back was James, 6th Viscount (1767-1851) who gained several titles lost by the family in 1746, His son was William Henry , 7th Viscount (1810-1886) and his son was James David , 8th Viscount, (1839-1893). The title merged with the Earldom of Perth in 1902 (it is now the courtesy title of the eldest son of the Earl).Height: 2.25 inches, 5.63 cm.Diameter: 1.2 inches, 3 cm.

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