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Fine Antique Silver

A very fine George II Cast Taperstick made in London in 1738 by Bennett Bradshaw and Robert Tyrrell.

£1,850



## Description

The Taperstick stands on a stepped shaped base decorated with reeding which rises to a circular sunken well. The defined baluster stem is decoated with reeding and the shaft and spool shaped socket displays horizontal girdles around it. The Taperstick is in excellent condition, has a fine colour and is very well marked in the base. Work by Bradshaw and Tyrrill is extremely rare. They entered into partnership in 1737 and Bradshaw was apprenticed to the greatest British silversmith of all time, this being Paul De Lamerie.

This would account for the fine quality of design and production of this example. They had workshops at the Golden Ball, Oxford Chapel, Cavendish Square, when this piece was made. Oxford Chapel is now St Peter's, Vere Street, originally a proprietary chapel of the Earl of Oxford & Mortimer. Height: 4.5 inches, 11.25 cm. Base Diameter: 3 inches, 7.5 cm. Weight: 6oz.