An extremely rare pair of George III 18 Carat Gold Knee Buckles made in London in 1811 by Horne & Ash.

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Description

The Buckles would have been used for a gentleman to fasten his knee breeches, however examples made in either silver or gold are extremely rare. The buckles are of a small size and are modelled in the form seen often with shoe buckles. They are in excellent condition and are both very well marked. Having been used in England from 1478-1576, 18 Carat gold was once again recognised and assayed from 1798. With regard to the makers of these buckles, Arthur Grimwade records the entry of J. Horne and D.S. Ash as small workers from the prestigious address of 64, St. James's Street, on 20th October, 1800. An advertisement in the Guardian of 9th March, 1800 refers to "Fashionable Jewellery, No. 64 St. James's Street, Horne and Ash", while also recording that Ash was from Rundell and Bridge, Jewellers to their Majesties".Length: 0.9 inches, 2.25 cm.Width: 0.75 inches, 1.88 cm.

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