A rare William IV Castle Top Vinaigrette made in Birmingham in 1836 by Edwin Jones.

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Description

The Vinaigrette is broad rectangular in form and both the sides and base are decorated with engine turned engraving. The base is also centred by a vacant rectangular cartouche. The castle top cover displays a crisp rare raised scene, in releif, of Windsor Castle from its north western aspect viewed across the River Thames, with the Round Tower in the background. Windsor was a popular view on vinaigrettes, however, this is one of the rarest views of this subject and an identical example, of the same date and by the same maker, is illustrated in Eric Deliebs, Silver Boxes, page 151, plate 245. The interior is very well marked and displays exceptional gilding. The grille is also most unusual as it is pierced and engraved with finely executed pluming scrolls and flower heads, all surrounded by a foliate motif frame.

Length: 1.5 inches,3.75 cm.

Width: 1.1 inches, 2.75 cm.

Depth: 0.4 inches, 1 cm

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