MARY COOKE ANTIQUES LTD Fine Antique Silver

Admiral Lord Nelson. An extremely rare Nelson Campaign Vinaigrette, with very rare swan grille, made in Birmingham in 1806 by Samuel Pemberton.

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Description

After Nelson died in 1805, there was an outpouring of grief for our National Hero and various souvenirs of his life were made. One item was a campaign Vinaigrette which celebrated his Egyptian campaigns, predominantly The Battle of the Nile. The Vinaigrette we now offer is one such piece. The Vinaigrette is of a slender, broad rectangular form, with cut corners. The cover is curiously engraved with stylised Egyptian Hieroglyphics including river serpents and alligators, on a prick dot ground. The sides are engraved with prick dot bands and the base displays a central flower head surrounded by a prick dot and scratch engraved frame. The interior reveals very fine gilding and a very rare grille pierced and engraved with a swan swimming on water, surrounded by flower heads. The Vinaigrette is in excellent condition and is very well marked. This is an extremely rare Vinaigrette, as although we have had a Nelson Campaign Snuff Box, this is only the third time we have offered a Vinaigrette. Nelson items are scarce and desired all around the World.

Length: 1.55 inches, 3.88 cm. Width: 1.1 inches, 2.75 cm.