

NATHANIEL MILLS. An unusual "Sunburst" Vinaigrette made in Birmingham in 1845 by Nathaniel Mills.

£1,000



## Description

The Vinaigrette is broad rectangular in form with serpentine shaped sides. The cover and base are engraved with a very unusual sunburst design, on the cover around a scroll cartouche, engraved with script initials, and on the base around a central flower head. The sides are decorated with engine turned designs and the front side displays a cast floral and foliate thumb piece. The interior is finely gilded and displays a grille pierced and engraved with pluming scrolls and flower heads. This piece is in excellent condition and is very well marked, also displaying a makers mark on the underside of the grille. This is a most unusual design of engraving to come from the workshops of this famous box maker.

Length: 1.45 inches, 3.63cm.

Width: 1 inch, 2.5cm.