

A rare George IV Armorial Desk Sander made in London in 1828 by Archibald Douglas.

£875



Description

The Sander has a heavy cut glass square base and hinged silver gilt cover engraved with a contemporary initial "S" below the Coronet of a Baron. The cover opens up to reveal a pierced and engraved removable grille decorated with pluming scrolls around the Coronet of a Baron. The mounts are marked on the side and under the cover in addition to being engraved with the Royal retailers name of Palmer, St. James's Street, below GR for George Rex and the Sovereign;s Crown. This is the first time we have seen a heraldic sander, with a grille pierced with their coronet. There were a number of Barons at this date with a name beginning with "S", however it could have been engraved for the following, as they were both made Peers in January 1828. Baron Skelmersdale: Edward Bootle-Wilbraham (1771-1853): 1st Baron, created 1828: MP from 1795-1828. Baron Stuart de Rothesay: Charles Stuart (1779-1845): 1st Baron created 1828: prominent diplomat- Vienna 1801-1804, St. Petersburg 1804-1808, Spain 1808-1809, Vienna 1809, Lisbon 1810-1814, Paris 1814, Holland 1815, Paris 1815-1824 and 1828-1831, Russia 1841-1844. The Sander is in excellent condition. Height: 2 inches, 5 cm. Length: 2 inches, 5 cm. Width: 2 inches, 5 cm.