

MARY COOKE ANTIQUES LTD
Fine Antique Silver

royal - queen adelaide of great britain. a VERY FINE CHAMBER
CANDLESTICK MADE IN LONDON IN 1837 BY WILLIAM
ESTERBROOK.

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Description

The Chamberstick has a circular base which displays a finely gadrooned raised rim. The tulip shaped socket is decorated with a raised horizontal girdle and the pull-off nozzle also has a gadrooned rim. The chamberstick has a plain harp shaped handle, with thumb piece, which has the conical extinguisher attached to it. The extinguisher is decorated with gadrooning and terminates in an urn finial. This example is of a good weight and is fully marked on each piece. Each piece is also engraved with the number "8", so it must have come from a very large set. This example is in excellent condition and is of a very good colour. Each piece is also engraved with AR, for Adelaide Regina, within a garter cartouche, with the Sovereign's Crown above. Adelaide of Saxe-Meiningen (Adelaide Louise Theresa Amelia) was born on 13th August, 1792 and died on 2nd December, 1849. She was Queen Consort of the United Kingdom and Queen Consort of Hanover, as wife of King William IV of Great Britain and Hanover. Adelaide was the daughter of George I, Duke of Saxe-Meiningen and Luise Eleonore of Hoheniohe-Langenburg.

This Chamberstick would have been made for Adelaide when William IV had just died and she became Dowager Queen, when Queen Victoria ascended the throne. She moved to the magnificent Marlborough House on the Mall, which was then to become the residence for Dowager Queens. We are certain that this piece was made for Marlborough House and would have been used in the bedrooms there. Silver from the collection of Queen Adelaide is extremely rare and an image of the Queen, in her Coronation Robes is shown, as well as images of Marlborough House.

Height: 3.75 inches, 9.38cm.

Diameter of the base: 5.5 inches, 13.75cm.

Weight: 12oz.