

An unusual William IV Vinaigrette made in Birmingham circa 1835 by Nathaniel Mills.

Sold



## Description

The Vinaigrette is of a very unusual small narrow rectangular form, with rounded ends. The cover, base and sides are engraved with engine turned designs contained within a plain frame. The cover also displays a vacant rectangular cartouche and a cast floral thumb piece. The interior is finely gilded and displays a grille pierced and engraved with pluming scrolls around a central flower head in a prick dot roundel. The interior is well marked, in addition to a maker's mark on the underside of the grille. This design was peculiar to the workshops of Mills, however this is the first time we have seen an example of this size.

Length: 1.5 inches, 3.75cm.

Width: 0.55 inches, 1.38cm.

Height: 0.25 inches, 0.63cm.