Finch & Co



FRENCH GOLD TRAVELLING SEAL AND SEALING WAX CASE

A FINE FRENCH GOLD TRAVELLING SEAL AND SEALING WAX CASE CONTAINED IN ITS ORIGINAL SHAGREEN SLEEVE THE MATRIX UN-ENGRAVED

HALLMARKED FOR BORDEAUX 1780 - 89

SIZE: 12CM LONG – 4¾ INS LONG – 12.5CM LONG – 5 INS LONG (CASE)

LITERATURE

THE IMPORTANCE OF A SEAL AFFIXED TO A LETTER OR DOCUMENT IN THE DAYS BEFORE THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE COULD READ CANNOT BE OVER EMPHASISED. THE DEVICE OR COAT OF ARMS WOULD BE ENGRAVED ON THE MATRIX OR METAL INSTRUMENT IN REVERSE AND WHEN PRESSED INTO THE MOLTEN SEALING WAX WOULD LEAVE AN IDENTIFIABLE IMPRESSION.