Victorian sterling silver presentation spade

Elkington & Co

£8,470



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Height: 900 mm (35.43")

Width: 205 mm (8.07")

Description

Wonderful, ceremonial full-size solid silver spade or shovel featuring a beautifully hand chased blade, decorated with acanthus leaves, entwined scrolls, floral garlands and swags. The oak handle is carved with laurel leaves and fluting.

The beautiful, crisply hand engraved inscription commemorates the occasion and reads:

Presented to
HARRY ARNOLD, ESQ
Chairman of the Hodbarrow Mining Co Ltd
On the occasion of his cutting the first sod
OF THE
OUTER SEA EMBANKMENT WORKS
April 27th 1900

Coode Son & Matthews Engineers
John Aird & Co Contractors

Cedric Vaughan Managing Directors
William Barratt

The spade is accompanyed by its original presentation case.