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**Antique Victorian Sterling Silver
Card Case with Swan,
Pheasants & Acanthus
Engravings - Nathaniel Mills
1839**

Price

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Item Reference: SA1067073

Date of manufacture: Victorian

Description

We are delighted to offer this exceptionally fine and decorative Victorian solid silver card case with marks for Nathaniel Mills of Birmingham 1839. Renowned as the pre-eminent box/case maker of the 19th century, it is of no surprise that this card case by Mills presents some of the finest and exemplary features to be desired on such pieces. The overall shape features an elegant cartouche-like form with scrolled edges forming a perfectly symmetrical shape. What is particularly delightful is the incredibly detailed engine-turned and hand-engraved motif on both sides of the case featuring a plethora of foliate motifs. The edges are embellished with volute acanthus scrolls which are all hand engraved and meticulously designed in a way that in spite of the asymmetrical and fluid curves, it forms a well-proportioned border. A cartouche is present in the centre on both sides with further elaborate scrolled engravings. On one side, a beautiful scene of a swan resting under a tree can be found and the other face reveals further foliate motifs with two pheasants. Imagining all the time, effort and craftsmanship that would have gone into making one single card case of...

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