

PASH ANTIQUES

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An important Victorian parcel gilt-silver damascened steel oval girandole wall mirror

Elkington & Co

REF: 11310

Height: 70 cm (27.6") Width: 47 cm (18.5") Depth: 12 cm (4.7")

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Hallmarks for Elkington, Birmingham 1895

The design of this mirror is attributed to A Willms; Elkington's lead designer of the late 19th century.

Frequent participants at exhibitions and World's Fairs, Elkington displayed their most innovative designs and finest quality pieces throughout the 19th century. Amongst those exhibited at the The Centennial International Exhibition of 1876, the first official World's Fair to be held in the United States, was a similar piece titled "the Venetian Mirror". It too featured the

oval Damascened element featured on this example.

Part of Elkington's considerable success was their development and implementation of innovative manufacturing techniques, most notably electrotyping which allowed for copies of popular masterpieces to be made. Many pieces were also made co-operation with The Victoria & Albert Museum and other institutions.

Many of Elkington's most famous works are in Private & Museum collections, notably The Helicon Vase in the British Royal Collection, The "Milton" and "Bunyan" Shields & the Jasmine vase in the Victoria & Albert Museum. Each of these is characterised by their quality and the use of mixed materials with each being made from silver and damascened steel elements.