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Victorian Elkington Electrotype Silver Plated Plaque Virgin Mary & Christ Child



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Period : 19th century

Condition : En l'etat

Description

Victorian Elkington Religious Relief Plaque - Virgin Mary & Infant Jesus on Crescent Moon, with Cherubs and Heraldic Panel A beautifully crafted Victorian devotional relief plaque by Elkington & Co., one of the most prestigious English metalwork firms of the 19th century. Elkington pieces are renowned for their exceptional casting quality, crisp detailing, and fine electrotype and bronze work -- all characteristics visible in this example.The central scene depicts the crowned Virgin Mary seated with the infant Jesus, a composition deeply inspired by the Book of Revelation. Mary stands upon a crescent moon, a symbolic reference to the Immaculate Conception, commonly seen in Catholic iconography.Surrounding the figures is an arched architectural niche, framed

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by abundant, naturalistic foliage rising from the base. This botanical detailing gives the plaque a unique and organic interpretation, distinguishing it from more typical devotional pieces of the period.The lower register features two reclining cherubs flanking a central heraldic crest, adding both artistic richness and a sense of ecclesiastical or aristocratic significance. The depth, modelling, and refined finish strongly reflect the technical mastery for which Elkington was celebrated.Maker: Elkington & Co.Period: Victorian, late 19th centuryMaterial: Metal relief (typical of Elkington's electrotype and cast-metal production)Iconography: Virgin Mary & Child, crescent moon, cherubs, heraldic shieldStyle: Ecclesiastical / devotional artApprox. Dimensions: H 28 × W 18.5 × D 2.5 cmWeight: Approx. 1 kgCondition: Very good, with minor age-related wearA highly collectible Victorian religious plaque by Elkington, combining spiritual symbolism, sculptural artistry, and the superior casting quality that made the firm internationally renowned.