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Robert Hennell III

A Novelty Pair of Victorian Harlequin Peppers

Silver

London, 1869

Maker's mark of Robert Hennell

Height: 13.5cm, 5.3in

Weight: 310g, 9oz 18dwt

£ 22,500

Robert Hennell was an interesting and entertaining man who laughed at the fashions of the trade through the pages of his diary. He travelled extensively in Europe, illustrating his journals with fine pen and ink drawings. He and his brother James Barclay Hennell produced some of the most delightful and gently humorous of all Victorian silver, much based on realistically modelled cast and chased animals, birds and flowers. These Harlequin or Jester pepperettes exemplify this.