

Silver and Plate / Wed, 19th August 2020 / Lot 325



## LOT 325

A mid-19th century Dutch silver gilt and mother-of-pearl snuff box of rectangular form with reeded banding to sides, the hinged lid inset with a mother-of-pearl panel, carved in relief with the Abduction of Europa, she sitting atop a bull as it heads into the sea, leaving the Virgins of Tyre waving from the shore, Amsterdam 1840, length 11.1cm (gilt worn).

Estimate: £100 - £200

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## Condition Report

325. The box is in generally good condition. The gilt is heavily rubbed and worn so majority of the box displays as silver. The hinge is good and lid closes tightly. Typical light surface scratches and wear commensurate with age. The mother-of-pearl has a chip to top right corner and chip to edge near bottom right corner. Otherwise the panel is in generally good order with no significant damage. Typical light surface scratches and some minor surface hairlines visible under magnification. Some wear and nicks to silver edge surrounding the panel. All of this is visible in the images on our website. Incised scene to lid interior with good detail.

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