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**A LADIES DRESSING TABLE MADE BY THE
GOLDSMITHS & SILVERSMITHS CO. OF LONDON
FOR HIS HIGHNESS NAWAB OF BAHAWALPUR
SADIQ MUHAMMAD ABBASI V**

Dimensions: H: 60 in / 153 cm | W: 89 in / 225 cm | D: 28.5 in / 72 cm

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Constructed in mahogany in the form of a kneehole desk with a modesty screen, rising from Chippendale style carved bracket feet, the banks of pedestals fitted with lockable faux drawers to the left, concealing a safe, and drawers to the right, fitted with ormolu chased swan neck handles; the lockable and hinged panelled top rising to reveal an adjustable triptych bevelled dressing mirror, with provisions for a pair of scallop shaded electrical lights, and having an enclosed body, fitted with an array of cut glass unguent bottles, all with silver tops, Hall marked for 1929/30, enamelled with an Art Deco design, and bearing wonderfully detailed portraits of His Highness in regal dress, on all the accoutrements deemed necessary for a lady. His Highness married Linda Begum (nee Linda Florence Sayce) daughter of Horace Lewis Sayce of Hyderabad, in 1927, who died in 1933, by whom he had four sons and a daughter, and the dressing table was a present befitting a Nawab. London made, Circa 1930