



**AN EXCEPTIONAL DOMED SERVING DISH BY  
REBECCA EMES & EDWARD BARNARD OF  
LONDON**

**Dimensions: H: 27.5 in / 69.5 cm | W: 19 in / 48 cm | D: 18 in / 46 cm**

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Bearing the Coat-of-Arms and Monogram of  
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Of exceptional size, fantastic quality, and noteworthy provenance, the sterling silver tray with a lower compartment for hot water, supported on lion's paw feet, turned wood handles to either side and hand-chased details to the edges of foliate design and shells. The domed lid with conforming hand-chased details, a gadrooned border, and acanthus leaves radiating outwards from the figural finial of a demi-lion holding a flag symbolising the crest of Moses Montefiore's coat of arms. The Dish and Lid both bearing the coat of arms and Montefiore's monogram. Fully hallmarked. English, dated 1818

Weight: 13,140 g | 422 oz 10 dwt

Rebecca Emes & Edward Barnard (fl. 1808 - 1829)

Although not much is known about Rebecca Emes' early life, her partnership with Edward Barnard proved to be one of the most successful of the early 19th century. After the death of her husband John Emes in 1808, Rebecca assumed control of the business. After a few months, she joined forces with Edward Barnard, one of her late husband's journeymen, entering their mark in October 1808. The firm grew considerably, and supplied silver to other firms such as those of Rundell, Bridge & Rundell. Emes withdrew from the business in 1829, and the firm became Barnard & Sons, who would go on to continue their success, counting Queen Victoria among their clientele.

Sir Moses Haim Montefiore (1784 - 1885)

Sir Moses Haim Montefiore made a fortune on the stock exchange, and gave his later life to the support of Jewish communal and religious affairs in Britain and around the world - in the process becoming a prominent and popular public figure in Victorian Britain. His contributions to the development of Proto-Zionism, philanthropic endeavors, and advocacy for the abolition of slavery are well-documented. Notably, he founded Mishkenot Sha'ananim in 1860, the first settlement outside the Old City of Jerusalem.