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A silver Knottekistje or marriage casket.

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Measures 8.1 x 7.7 x 5.4cm.

Weighs 117.9 grams.

The engraved little casket is decorated with floral swags and cartouches with pastoral scenes. The button to the front is depressed to open a sprung catch, it is surmounted by a figure of Cupidclutching a bow and arrow. The base of the casket is engraved with the initials 'G.E'. The casket isstruck twice with later Dutch duty marks in the form of a dolphin.

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