



The Great Seal of Oliver Cromwell, with a prospect of London

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The Great Seal the Lord Protector, made by T. Simon.

London: George Vertue, 1753. 210 x 150mm.

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An engraving showing the Great Seal of England, used by Oliver Cromwell during the Commonwealth, within an invented rococo border. It shows Cromwell on horseback before pre-Fire London. The maker of this seal (and others for Charles I, the two Lord Protectors and Charles II) was Thomas Simon (c.1623-65), chief engraver of the Royal Mint. This engraving by Vertue was published in 'The Medals, Coins, Great Seals and other Works of Thomas Simon'.

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