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## AN ENGLISH KETTON STONE CHIMNEYPIECE

19th Century, in the George III taste

The inverted breakfront shelf above the frieze carved in relief with a repeating lattice pattern and centred by a tablet carved with a Vesta mask within a sunburst and raised on attached column jambs headed by patera endblocks,

DIMENSIONS: 154cm ( $60^{4}$ ") High, 207cm ( $81^{4}$ ") Wide, 30cm ( $11^{4}$ ") Deep, Aperture : 112cm (44") high and 121cm (47.5") wide,

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## **HISTORY**

The fact that a chimneypiece of this design is carved from stone rather than marble may point to a provincial origin - perhaps Lincolnshire where Ketton stone is quarried rather than an urban source where masons and marbles were more readily available. The central mask depicts Vesta: Goddess of the hearth and home.