

SA1098265

Apomorphia Morphine & Atropine Cocaine Drug Vials Storage

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1098265****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Dimensions

Height = 7.4 cm (2.9")

Width = 4.4 cm (1.7")

Depth = 1.8 cm (0.7")

Description

Antique fitted black leather pocket case containing three glass vials, circa 1900 Marked morphine & atropine, cocaine and apomorphia. Hicks' Patent White and clear glass tubes with black glass labeling Nickel plated screw on covers over rubber seals with small pull out sealing plugs All in excellent condition with no damage or repair, all plugs and covers removable. Height of case 2,7/8" A rare and cultural-historically interesting collectable The tubes are empty, rubber seals aged. ***** In the mid-19th century, morphine and cocaine were considered miracle drugs in the United States and Europe. They were added to food, cigarettes, ointments, powders, and even cough lozenges for children. Additionally, American doctors started prescribing morphine, other alkaloids, and cocaine more frequently to their patients, often without a severe medical indication. These substances became particularly popular among upper- and middle-class women as remedies for "women's troubles" such as nervousness, headaches, depression, and lethargy. The uncontrolled use of narcotic substances led to addiction in patients, and over time, drug addiction became an...

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