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Antique Inlaid Flame Mahogany Three Crystal Decanter Tantalus 19th C

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1119224****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Dimensions

Height = 49 cm (19.3")

Width = 48 cm (18.9")

Depth = 28 cm (11.0")

Description

This is a superb and rare antique Victorian flame mahogany cased three decanter Gentlemen's Tantalus / Library / communication station by Maples & Co, C1880 in date. The cabinet has boxwood line inlaid decoration with satinwood shell marquetry motifs. One side with twin doors opening to reveal a glass spirit decanter and four cut glass tumblers, with a mirrored back, above four drawers for playing cards and games. The other side is for telegrams, letters and general stationery. Fitted with the original brass carrying handles to the sides. It is a decorative piece which is also very practical, and would make a lovely gift. It is complete with the original working lock and key, which locks. Condition: In excellent condition having been beautifully cleaned polished and waxed in our workshops, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 49 cm x Width 48 cm x Depth 28 cm. Dimensions in inches: Height 1 foot, 7 inches x Width 1 foot, 7 inches x Depth 11 inches. Tantalus is a type of liquor decanter in which the bottle stoppers are locked down tightly by a metal bar. This was to prevent the theft of the contents by servants. Like the name suggests,...

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