

**SA1128308**

## Antique Waltham Crescent St railroad pocket watch

Price

**Sold****Item Reference: SA1128308****Date of manufacture: 1900**

## Description

Antique Waltham Crescent St railroad pocket watch. The watch has a high grade 21 jewel stem-winding movement, Crescent Street railroad grade, which is working nicely. The movement is fully signed and it has the serial number 10,525,656 which dates it back to 1901. The movement is protected by an inner hinged cover which has a little marking but nothing too serious at all. The Waltham Watch Company named their first railroad watch Crescent Street after their address by the Charles River. The great North American railroad watch became an institution after a fatal crash in 1891, which was caused in part by the stopping and then restarting of the engineer's watch, which caused it to be four minutes slow. In the early days of railroading, when trains ran by strict time and timetable rules, that four minutes proved to be fatal. As a result, in 1893, the General Railroad Timepiece Standards were adopted, which mandated high grade specifications including being lever set, having a minimum of 17 jewels in the movement, five adjustments and micro-metric regulation. The watch measures 54mm diameter excluding the winding stem so slightly larger than a standard 50mm pocket watch...

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