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18TH CENTURY LANTERN CLOCK BY WINDMILLS & BENNET, LONDON. VERGE ESCAPEMENT. CIRCCA 1725.

Price

GBP 3,000

| USD \$4,052 | EUR 3,509

Item Reference: SA1190704**Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 37.5 cm (14.8")

Width = 14.2 cm (5.6")

Depth = 14.6 cm (5.7")

Description

A late example of a lantern clock by the prominent maker Thomas Windmills and his business partner, Thomas Bennet. The 30 hour duration movement with Verge escapement. The short pendulum swings internally between the wheel trains that are pivoted within 4 upright narrow plates. These are held in place with lugs and wedges. Having countwheel striking of the hours on a top-mounted bell, held in place from a crossed carrier that in turn is sprung between the 4 top corner finials of urn shape. The movement is operated with the Huygens 'endless cord' method with the winding sprocket is fitted to the striking great wheel. The 3 cast frets to the top are of 'dolphin' style and unusually, are all engraved. The 4 corner pillars are narrow and sit upon ball feet. The dial plate has engraving to the corners and centre with a blank area covered by an alarum setting disc (missing). The 6 1/2" diameter chapter ring has a ringed outer edge, Roman hour numerals, a divided and ringed inner, quarter track and diamond shaped half hour marks. The numeral VI is straddled with the maker's name of "Windmills & Bennet, London". The one piece iron hand is tailed. * Thomas Windmills (circa 1672...

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