

SA1194088

Gontard & Bolviller Paris: One-piece Carriage Clock with Exceptional Platform Escapement

Price

GBP 4,500

| USD \$6,078 | EUR 5,263

Item Reference: SA1194088**Date of manufacture: 1860**

Dimensions

Height = 15 cm (5.9")

Description

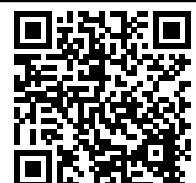
A superb engraved one-piece carriage clock signed for both Moïse Bolviller and the escapement maker Celestine Gontard and fitted with a beautifully made platform. The eight-day duration movement strikes the hours and half-hours on a bell and has a finely engraved two-tier platform lever escapement with a helical hairspring. The movement backplate is stamped with the Bolviller trademark, an oval with the wording Bolviller à Paris, along with the serial number VV 433. The white enamel dial has black Roman numerals, fine blued steel moon hands of a type seen on the earlier clocks by this maker and is signed Gontard & Bolviller à Paris below VI o'clock. The one-piece case is fully contra-engraved with floral decoration which has original black enamel infill and an engraved solid rear door with shutters that open to facilitate winding and setting the hands. Alongside my research into other French carriage clock makers, I have been undertaking work on Bolviller and his associates with a view to publication at a later date. As a summary I now know that Moïse Bolviller was born in Metz on the 7th of August, 1800, the son of Joseph and Hintche Bolviller Terquenne. He is first ...

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