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Antique Ormolu Mounted Ebonised Gilt Bronze Chiming Mantel Clock c1860

Price

GBP 6,250

| USD \$8,458 | EUR 7,313

Item Reference: SA1198959

Date of manufacture: 1860

Dimensions

Height = 73.5 cm (28.9")

Width = 47 cm (18.5")

Depth = 29 cm (11.4")

Description

A superb impressive ormolu mounted ebonised three train mantel clock, chiming on 8 bells with a gong, of large size. Retailed by Green of Landport, circa 1880 in date. The caddy top case with five flaming finials and ribbon-tied foliate festoons, above an arched cast brass glazed door, flanked by a caryatid to each corner, and with a foliate cast handle and pierced mask arched ormolu panel to each side, on a stepped foot with scroll cast feet, the 8½in. arched ormolu dial with twin silvered subsidiary rings in the arch 'CHIME/SILENT' and 'CHIME ON EIGHT BELLS/WESTMINSTER CHIMES', above a silvered chapter ring signed astride the VI "Green Landport", with a matted centre and pierced blued steel hands, the three train chain fusée movement with anchor escapement and pendulum locking block chiming the quarters on eight bells and striking the hour on a gong. It keeps really good time and is delightful to look at. This is a three chain Fusee Mechanism, all parts are original and in fully working order and the mechanism is based on a design by Leonardo da Vinci. Leonardo da Vinci's clock designs, found in the Codex Atlanticus, focused on improving 15th-century timekeeping through...

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