

SA228992

Rare Tunbridge Ware Book
Carrier By Edmund Nye
(Original Label) - Butterfly,
c.1850

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA228992

Date of manufacture: 1850

Description

A quite magnificent and rare piece of antique English Tunbridgeware, this Satinwood book carrier was clearly made for travel with its folding sides and folding rear gallery. Each of the side panels is created from exotic timbers with a cut-out handle and inlaid with a large tropical Butterfly. The folding gallery has intricate micro-mosaic Tunbridge inlay in the form of floral and foliate scrolls either side of a floral bouquet. The underside is lucky enough to have retained its original label signed by Edmund Nye "Manufacturer, Mount Ephraim and Parade, Tunbridge Wells". Edmund Nye was a renowned Tunbridge Ware maker, who worked in Tunbridge Wells from 1809 until his death in 1863. Initially he was in partnership with William Fenner until 1817 and then continued in his own right, employing Thomas Barton as his foreman and designer in 1836. Edmund Nye had a reputation for good quality work and he enjoyed royal patronage from 1836. He exhibited at The Great Exhibition in 1851 and amongst his designs were fine examples of tropical butterflies. An opportunity to acquire a rare piece in excellent condition. 18" x 11" with the opening for books measuring 15 3/4", each si...

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