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Exquisite Antique French Letter Box by Alphonse Giroux, Paris c.1850

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA268914****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Description

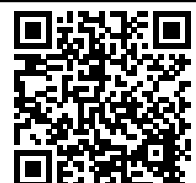
A simply exquisite letter box by the top-notch Alphonse Giroux of Paris, made around 1850. The box is made from Rosewood with beautifully crafted rounded corners and decorated with intricate marquetry inlay in Boxwood. The top is inlaid with the words Repondue and A Repondre (Answered and Unanswered). There is a central polished brass finial to the centre of the box. The box comes complete with a working key and once opened reveals the original shaped central divider. The underside is so lucky to retain it's original finish with the original label, quite wonderful. Alphonse Giroux and Company, famous curiosity and luxury goods shop was situated at No. 7 rue du Coq-Saint-Honoré and in business from the time of the Consulate until the end of the Second Empire. The company was founded by François-Simon-Alphonse and continued in 1838 by his two sons, Alphonse-Gustave (1810 - 1886) and André (1801 - 1879). The father became a close associate of the royal family and specialised in the manufacture of refined items for gifts. It was Alphonse-Gustave, however, who really expanded the activities of the firm as is testified by the report of the jury at the 1839 Products of In...

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