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A SOLID MAHOGANY 16 DRAWER COLLECTORS CABINET BY LEONARD TATCHELL CIRCA 1880

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA326198****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Description

A VERY GOOD AND ORIGINAL 16 DRAWER VICTORIAN MAHOGANY COLLECTORS CABINET SUPPLIED BY LEONARD TATCHELL, NATURALIST, SWANAGE, DORSET. TATCHELL WORKED DURING THE LATTER PART OF THE 19TH CENTURY AND INTO THE 20TH. HE HAD PREMISES IN EAST LONDON BUT, I BELIEVE, FORMERLY IN THE SWANAGE AREA. IT IS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER HE MAINTAINED HIS OWN CABINET MAKERS OR DEALT IN CABINETS SUPPLIED TO, OR BOUGHT BY HIM. I HAVE HANDLED SEVERAL CABINETS OVER THE DECADES BEARING THE TATCHELL TRADE PLATE AND THEY HAVE ALL BEEN OF A VERY HIGH QUALITY, THIS CABINET IS NO EXCEPTION TO THAT RULE. THE CABINET IS MADE ENTIRELY OF MAHOGANY AND THE COLOUR AND FIGURING IS VERY FINE INDEED. THE SIXTEEN DRAWERS ARE BEAUTIFULLY CONSTRUCTED AND ALL RUN SMOOTHLY ON HIDDEN BEARER RUNNERS. THE DRAWER FASCIA'S ARE IN 'FIDDLE BACK' AND A SINGLE POLISHED KNOB IS FITTED TO EACH DRAWER FRONT. A HIDDEN UNIVERSAL CELL SURROUNDS THE INNER PAPERED AND CORKED DRAWER INTERNALS. CLOSE FITTING DROP IN GLAZED FRAMES ARE PRESENT ON ALL THE DRAWERS AND ALL HAVE THE ORIGINAL GLASS TO PROTECT THE DRAWER CONTENTS. ALL THE DRAWERS HAVE BEEN RE-PAPERED WITH ACID FREE TOP QUALITY WHITE CARTRIDGE PAPER AND ARE CLEAN AND UNUSED. THE DRAW...

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