

SA384556

WW1 silver Truisa trench watch by Chs Leon Schmid

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA384556****Date of manufacture: 1910**

Description

An antique WW1 silver Truisa trench watch by Charles Leon Schmid. Charles Leon Schmid had a strong connection with Roskopf watches. In February 1867 Schmid was hired by Roskopf to sell watches, with a target of five to six hundred watches per month. Schmid had the inspired idea to offer the watches to different European armies and railroad companies and it was so successful that demand could not be met. After the death of his wife Françoise in 1872, George Roskopf sold his house in La Chaux de Fonds and handed over his business to Charles Léon Schmid and the brothers Charles and Eugène Wille, forming Wille Freres. There is little information available but it seems that Schmid had a separate company, Schmid Co, that made watches under the Truisa name. This particular watch has a Swiss 15-jewel hand-winding movement which is working nicely and keeping good time to within around two minutes over 24 hours. The movement is signed with the name Schmid Co and the word 'déposé' which is short for 'modèle déposé' which translates to 'registered design'. The movement is protected by an inner hinged cover. The watch measures 34mm diameter excluding the winding crown and t...

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