

SA632487

Antique silver Waltham Ellery pocket watch, 1874

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA632487****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Description

Antique silver Waltham Ellery pocket watch, 1874, and chain. The watch has a William Ellery grade movement which is working nicely. The movement is fully signed and the serial number 783,531 dates it back to around 1874. The movement is protected by an inner hinged cover which has some unevenness. William Ellery signed the Declaration of Independence for Rhode Island in 1776. During the Civil War, Waltham's watch factory designed the William Ellery model. Selling for just \$13.00, these watches became very popular with Union soldiers. By 1865, the year the war ended, William Ellery movements represented almost 45 per cent of Waltham's unit sales although today we see far more of other Waltham grades, such as the Traveler. The watch measures 51mm diameter excluding the stem and the loop. The case is silver and there are hallmarks for Chester 1876 with a case maker's mark of AB for Alfred Bedford, manager of Waltham UK. The case is in good condition for such an early piece, a little gentle unevenness in places and light surface marking. The acrylic lens is in good condition. The dial is in very nice condition. The watch comes with a silver albert chain, unusua...

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