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Antique McFerran silver fusee pocket watch, 1875

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA644151****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Description

Antique McFerran silver fusee pocket watch, 1875. The watch has a fusee movement which is working nicely, a later winding key is included. The movement is signed Wm McFerran, Manchester and it is all protected by a fitted inner cover. William McFerran, born in 1804, he was a goldsmith and silversmith and also a notable watchmaker, clockmaker and jeweller whose shop was located in Victoria Street, Manchester. As well as supplying the public, McFerran supplied time pieces for railways guards, porters and train drivers as well as exporting to countries like USA and Australia. In 1867 McFerran's jewellery shop was broken into and some £13,000 was taken, a hugely significant amount at the time. The watch measures 50mm diameter excluding the stem and the loop. The case is silver and there are hallmarks inside both of the case backs for London 1875 with a case maker's mark for the Coventry case maker Robert Pike. The case is in very nice condition for such an early piece, just some rubbing to the edge of the engine turned detail to the case back. There is a vacant cartouche. The watch glass is in lovely condition. The off-white dial has the number 42904, this numbe...

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