

SA662105

Antique Jaques "TYPE III" In Statu Quo Chess Set, circa 1890

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA662105****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 4.5 cm (1.8")

Width = 32 cm (12.6")

Depth = 32 cm (12.6")

Description

A 'TYPE II' 'In Statu Quo' Travelling Chess Set by J. Jaques & Son, circa 1890 the hinged mahogany case incorporating a board with alternate squares in rosewood and sycamore, with the brass-pegged bone pieces stained red and left natural, with a bone-pegged locking mechanism and brass slide-lock to the side, with brass plaque inscribed: J. JAQUES & SON Makers London, and stamped "IN STATU QUO...PATENT CHESS BOARD to the other side 32cm x 32cm wide (when open), 32cm x 16cm (when closed) Stock Reference: AS 1845 Reference: Sir Alan Fersht, Jaques and British Chess Company Chess Sets, Kaissa publications, 2010, page 55. Classic 'In Statu Quo' ('in this current state') travelling set from Jaques. The 'In Statu Quo' set was first patented by Jaques in 1853, the new idea being that play could be halted at any time, and the set folded away with the chessmen remaining in position- ready for continuation of the game at later time. We can date this particular set to the 1890s by the brass maker's label (see Alan Fersht's "Jaques and British Chess Company Chess Sets", pages 53-55. Internal Ref: AS 1845

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