

SA681672

Silver Baume & Co pocket watch for Sir John Bennett

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA681672****Date of manufacture: 1920**

Description

Silver Baume & Co pocket watch for Sir John Bennett. The watch has a seven jewel stem-winding movement which is working nicely. The movement is an FHF movement, supplied by and signed with the logo of Baume & Co. Baume & Co manufactured some of their movements and also imported Swiss movements such as this one, they were also the UK importer for Longines watches. The movement is protected by an inner hinged cover. The watch measures 50mm diameter excluding the winding stem and the loop. The case is silver and there are hallmarks inside the case back for London 1926 together with a maker's mark for Arthur Baume of Baume & Co. The case back has a small pin-prick "ding" and light surface marks but overall very acceptable. The watch glass has minor marking, again very acceptable. The dial is signed, albeit faintly, with the name Sir John Bennett, London. John Bennett (1814 – 1897) was one of the most controversial characters in British horology and, in many aspects one of the most advanced. He greatly advocated the Swiss methods of manufacture where parts were interchangeable rather than being made for each individual watch. This put him in conflict with many of h...

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