

SA711843

Antique Hartford Watch Co full hunter pocket watch

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA711843****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Description

Antique Hartford Watch Co full hunter pocket watch. Interestingly watches such as this are classed as "Swiss fakes" (it is still very much an antique, not a fake in the conventional sense). This is to say that Swiss made watches were made to resemble the medium to high grade American watches of the time, around the era of the rail road watch. The watch that we have here appears very typically American with the ornate case, the American sounding name and the large size, but it was actually made in Switzerland. There were several American sounding names that the Swiss used such as Trans Pacific and Rock Island Express. Taking all the above into account however, the "Swiss fakes" are considered collectable by some as they illustrate a stage in horological history and often they are actually attractive pieces. The watch that we have here has a stem-winding movement which is working nicely. The plates are nicely patterned and there is nice detailing to the balance cock. The movement is protected by an inner hinged cover. The watch measures 54mm diameter excluding the winding stem and the loop so slightly larger than a standard 50mm pocket watch. The gold filled case i...

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