

SA790274

Framed Whale Bone Scrimshaw Picture, c1800

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA790274****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Dimensions

Height = 14 cm (5.5")

Width = 12 cm (4.7")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

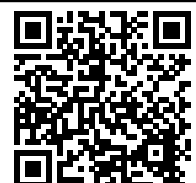
Description

Interesting framed whale bone scrimshaw picture, c1800. The scrimshaw picture is very well composed and executed and depicts a 3 masted sailing ship displaying an English flag. There is an inscription at the bottom 'The Amphion'. This is a reference to the classical Greek hero and there have been a number of famous ships named 'Amphion'. The rear of the picture is covered in paper which is covered in writing. Unfortunately I cannot make out all the script as it has faded and parts are torn, but it looks to be an extract from a will. The bits I can read say something similar to: 'and behoof of the said Anthony and behoof of the said Samuel of forty years from assigns the sum of eight pounds life subject nevertheless to should be and not as joint tenants and to and for the said Anthony Hendick his lifetime together of fifty pounds and ...'. I am not sure what the frame is made from, it is not wood and it appears to be something similar to slate? The colour/patina is good and clearly shows age. Overall condition is in line with age and use. There have been several repairs to the frame and small losses around the edge. The picture is not currently fixed in the frame (easi...

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