

SA866577

Antique half hunter pocket watch, Sir John Bennett

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA866577****Date of manufacture: 1910**

Description

Antique half hunter pocket watch, Sir John Bennett. The watch has a Swiss 15 jewel (2 adjustments) stem-winding movement which is working nicely. The movement is protected by an inner hinged cover. The watch measures 50mm diameter excluding the winding stem and the loop. The case is the gold plated Star model from the Birmingham based case maker Aaron Dennison. Dennisons manufactured cases for various watch makers. The case is in very nice condition. The front cover has a clear central lens surrounded by enamel filled Roman numerals. The winding crown pushes in to open the front cover. Inside, there is an acrylic lens which is in lovely condition. The dial is signed with the name Sir John Bennett Ltd, London. It is in very nice condition and has blued steel hands, including the special half hunter hour hand so that the time can be read when the front cover is closed. 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 con...

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