

SA947151

Gents 9ct gold Borgel cased
wrist watch, 1923

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA947151

Date of manufacture: 1920

Description

Gents 9ct gold Borgel cased wrist watch, 1923. UK POSTAGE ONLY FOR THIS ITEM The watch has a Swiss hand-winding movement which is working nicely. The movement has been identified as by Fabrique d'Horlogerie de Fontainmelon, manufacturers of ebauche movements (blank movements which could then be finished to meet individual requirements of the watch manufacturers). The watch measures 34.5mm diameter excluding the winding crown and the fixed wire lugs. The case is 9 carat gold and there are hallmarks inside the case back for Glasgow 1923, with a sponsor's mark for Arthur Rendell. In 1907, an act came into force which meant that all imported watches had to be assayed in a UK assay office and marked with British import hallmarks. For this, a sponsor's mark was required. In this particular case, Arthur Rendell was an employee, and probably in charge, of the department that handled imported watches at a company called Pringles, the UK's largest wholesalers of jewellery, silverware, clocks and watches, so it was deemed relevant to use his initials. The inside of the case back also has the mark for François Borgel. He was a very successful inventor and business man, and...

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