

## Golf Club, By Cann & Taylor With J.H Taylor Autograph.

Sold

J.H. Taylor



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Height: 96 cm (37.8") Width: 8.5 cm (3.3") Depth: 5.4 cm (2.1")

## Description

Vintage Hickory Golf Club, Niblick, by J. H. Taylor.

A fine and nicely weighted dash line faced niblick by J. H. Taylor. The rear of the club head marked 'Cann & Taylor, Warranted Hand Forged, J. H. Taylor "Autograph", Re.No. 303868/08, Niblick'. There are some retailers' details of 'Robinson & Co. Ltd., Singapore' also stamped on the back of the club. The hickory shaft with suede leather grip and stamped 'D & W. Auchterlonie, St Andrews'. Taylor's fine reputation enabled his club making partnership with George Cann to become a very successful one. He joined forces with George Cann whilst he was professional at Winchester to start the club making business in 1894. Over the years the branded J.H. Taylor Autograph Model clubs were very popular. Taylor's registered trademark was in use from 1895 - 1930.

The measurements shown are the length of the shaft with hosel and the width and depth of the face.

A great golf club niblick in good original condition and very usable for modern hickory play. Approximate 52° loft & swing weight G4.

John Henry "J.H." Taylor was best known for his fine British Open play, winning his first Open in 1894 and went on to win it a further four times.

D & W Auchterlonie was the continuation of an earlier clubmaking business founded by David Auchterlonie and Andrew W. Crosthwaite. When Crosthwaite left in 1896 David was joined by his younger brother, Willie, the Open champion of 1893. The business prospered becoming well known as club specialists and ball makers; they patented an 'Approaching Cleek', a 'Putting Cleek' with a weighted back in 1900 and a specially weighted Driver in 1913. The Auchterlonie brothers were both apprentices for the renowned St. Andrews club maker, Robert Forgan.