

Mantel Clock by Grant, Log Cabin Design, Black Forest.

£2,200



REF: 26872 Height: 26.5 cm (10.4") Width: 21 cm (8.3") Depth: 10 cm (3.9")

Description

Reduced from £3,900 to £2,200 Black Forest Mantel Clock by Grant.

An unusual mantel clock with the heavy bronze case in the form of a log cabin. The Clock workings by John Grant, Fleet Street, London. The 4" diameter white enamel bowed dial, with black Roman numerals for the hours and Arabic for the five-minute intervals (this type of clock face appears to have gone out of fashion after the early 1800"s). The two rows of numerals are separated by a circle with minute intervals, the face is also marked 'Grant, Fleet Street, London, No. 614'. The glass front opens to enable winding the clock. The rear of the case has a glass door so the workings can be seen. The pendulum is equipped with a locking bridge and knurled nut for the purpose of securing the movement during transportation.

John Grant was a very eminent maker, working in Fleet Street from 1781, he died in 1810. His son, also called John and working in Fleet Street, became a liveryman of the Clockmaker's Company in 1817 and was Master 1838-1867. I think that this clock is too late for John senior to have made. The dial is lovely and the movement is clearly of high quality. The case is not typical of anything in English clock making and was most probably a special order, although obviously heavy it still remains quite small for a striking English clock.