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LOT 1155

A Regency brass inlaid mahogany bracket clock, the eight day twin fusee movement striking on a bell with pull repeat mechanism, the painted break arch dial with pastoral scene of shepherd and shepherdess to arch above black Roman numerals and inscribed 'J. Nicholas, Daventry', cornered with urn spandrels, the case with moulded arch pediment and brass pineapple finial, the sides with pierced gilt arched scale fret panels, the front with brass line and rosette inlaid decoration, on a plinth base and bun feet, height 56cm, the brass pendulum bob with engraved inscription 'Nicholas Fecit Daventry, 1817', with winder and case key.

Note: John Nicholas was born in 1785 and is recorded as working in Daventry between 1805 and his death in 1860.

Estimate: £700 - £1,000

Condition Report

1155. Mechanism: twin fusee gut line driven mechanism In clean condition and seems to be running at the time of inspection. Strike train and repeat operating correctly at the time of inspection. Pull repeat mechanism working. Original pendulum, with makers signature. Inside the case is a bill for repairs done 2009.

Hands and Dial: very nice original painted dial, now in need of minor conservation. Signature now faded and minor chip to the edges. A set of original, blued steel, hands.

Case: brass inlaid, well veneered mahogany case in overall good condition with little apparent damage. Some minor repair to the veneer including a piece inset in the area of the front door lock. Small piece of veneer missing from the rear door. Right-hand piece of moulding detached, currently secured with tape. Front and rear door glass undamaged. All brass fittings are original, mahogany side fret in good condition. Base panel a little insecure. Unusual arrangement for the seat board but believed to be original, the small slip of packing to compensate for insecure base panel.

Front door lock original but rear lock missing, all door hinges original. Key for front door lock incorrect, long case type, winding key.