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LOT 1170

A mid-18th century walnut bracket clock, the brass four pillar eight day single fusee movement with anchor escapement (formerly verge) striking on two bells with pull-repeat mechanism, the backplate finely engraved with foliate scrolls and inscribed 'Joseph Oxley Norwich', the 8-inch brass breakarch dial with similarly signed silvered boss to the arch above a silvered chapter ring framing a matt centre with mock pendulum and date aperture, the case with inverted bell top and brass carrying handle above glazed doors and sides, on a moulded plinth base and bracket feet, height 55.5cm, with pendulum (some faults and alterations). Note: Joseph Oxley is recorded as a Quaker clockmaker, born in Brigg, Lincolnshire, in 1715, apprenticed to Robert Henderson of Scarborough in 1730 before a further apprenticeship in London, then working at Fakenham, Norfolk, and then Norwich, where he was made free and married in 1744. He died in 1775.

Estimate: £1,800 - £2,400

Condition Report

1170. Its a nice clock that has had some work previously and requires further work. The movement is a converted verge and is a little dirty and dusty and would require a clean/refurbishment for it to run accurately. The dial is in pretty good order.

The case has some issues, including some splits to veneers, crack to right hand side glass panel, lockplate and lock are later replacements, some veneer repairs, missing finials to top of case, alterations to fret panels and typical scuffs, chips and wear to case edges and some corners.

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