

Clocks and Barometers / Thursday, 23rd May 2024 / Lot 1300



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A George III mahogany bracket clock, the eight day twin fusee five pillar movement striking hours on a bell with pull repeat mechanism, the backplate engraved with flower basket and foliate scroll decoration, the 7-inch brass breakarch dial with silvered strike/silent indicator to arch above a silvered chapter ring with black Roman hour numerals and outer Arabic minutes, framing a matt gilt centre with silvered date aperture and recessed panel, inscribed 'Josh Martineau St. Martins Court', all cornered with cast and pierced gilt scroll spandrels, the case with brass carry handle and double pad top above a moulded arch pediment, glazed front and back doors and glazed side panels, on a moulded rectangular plinth base, height 41.5cm, with pendulum, winding key and case key. Note: Joseph Martineau is a recorded London clockmaker working between 1744 and 1794, firstly at Orange Street premises and then later in St. Martin's Court.

Estimate: £2,000 - £3,000

## Condition Report

1300 - The clock is in generally good order. Case, dial and movement are a good fit and all appear to belong together. Dial is nice and clean and in good condition. The case has had some restoration over the years including a repaired split from front to back across the domed top. Some veneer replacement/repair around keyhole to back door and small veneer loss to side of case beside back door keyhole. Small veneer repair to corner of one glazed side panel. Case with typical scuffs, nicks and wear commensurate with age.

The going train winds smoothly and the clock starts to run but the striking mechanism does not wind or work at present, and neither does the repeat. The escapement would have originally been a verge but has been converted to an anchor.