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A George III mahogany longcase clock with eight day movement striking on a bell, the 12-inch brass breakarch dial with silvered arch, inscribed 'High Water at Bristol Key', above a rolling moon, the silvered chapter ring with Roman hour numerals and outer Arabic minutes, framing an engraved matt gilt centre within silvered subsidiary seconds, signed 'Nevitt Bristol', and date aperture, cornered with cast and pierced gilt spandrels, the hood with swan neck pediment and Corinthian columns, the trunk with shaped door and fluted cut corner columns, on a plain base and plinth, height 225cm, with pendulum and two weights (faults). Note: Thomas Nevitt is a recorded Bristol clockmaker working from 1754 to 1784.

Estimate: £300 - £500

Condition Report

1258. The case is in poor unstable condition with restoration required. The backboard is completely detached and a small corner section split and broken off (but still present). Some mouldings are loose, and one side moulding is detached. Hood is a bit wobbly and unsteady as joints are loose and overall timber is a little faded and tired.

There is one hole on seatboard which corresponds to the one hole on the upright support. Seatboard is split, so difficult to be certain on whether movement and case started together, possibly a marriage?

Movement and dial appear to be all ok, but a bit dirty and dusty so would require a service/overhaul to return to good working order.

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