

Burr Walnut Library Clock Timepiece by J.W. Benson



A classic late Victorian English timepiece bracket clock with a fine quality chain fusee movement, signed J.W. BENSON to the dial and to the movement.

The plain styling of the case is brought to life with lively burr walnut veneers. It has large bevelled viewing glasses to the sides, top and back to see the quality of the movement. The corners are slightly canted, and the dial sits behind a hinged cast brass narrow convex bezel fitted with bevelled glass.

The 5 1/2 inch silvered dial is engraved with Roman numerals and the maker's signature J.W. BENSON, LONDON.

The 8-day timepiece movement has a chain fusee mechanism. It is signed to the backplate J.W. BENSON, LUDGATE HILL, LONDON, with serial number 11288. The pendulum allows regulation from the nut above the bob.

This clock has been well looked after over its history, and remains completely original. The movement has been overhauled, and the price includes a 3-year guarantee, and delivery and set-up in the mainland UK.

Height 28cms (11 inches)

Width: 24 cms

Depth: 17cms

James William Benson (1826-78) founded the business J.W. Benson in 1855 after the dissolution of a partnership with Samuel Suckley Benson. A highly respected and prolific maker, J.W. Benson was in business until 1973, trading from the The Steam Factory, 62 and 64 Ludgate Hill address from 1855 to 1937, and securing a royal patronage in 1879. The company incorporated in 1892. Throughout its history, J. W. Benson Ltd was official watchmaker to the Admiralty & the War Department and also

held a number of royal warrants, being watchmakers to Queen Victoria, the Prince of Wales, the Tsar of Russia, Abu Bakar of Johor and several other royal families.