Robert Garrard. A very rare cast Sea Shell Table Bell made in London in 1877 by the Royal Silversmith, Robert Garrard.

£4,500



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Description

This very fine table bell is cast and modelled in a very unusual design. The bowl has a shallow circular form with spreading reeds at the base. The top is decorated with a band of six detailed sea shells below a baluster hexagonal handle which rises to a band of raised roundels below three raying sea shells. The handle terminates in a lobed finial. The underside displays its original clapper and is engraved with the initials M.C.T. 1877, which obviously relates to the original owner. This piece is of outstanding quality in design and production, which is not surprising as it was made by Robert Garrard who enjoyed the Royal patronage of Queen Victoria. They were also the Crown Jewellers. This is a design which we have never seen before, so conclude that it may well have been a special commission. The main body and clapper are very well marked.Height: 4 inches, 10 cm.Diameter at the base: 3.5 inches, 8.75 cm.Weight: 11.5 oz.

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