



Collinson & Lock an English Aesthetic Movement Mahogany Glazed Wall Cabinet

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£3,000

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| MAKER | Collinson & Lock |
| PERIOD | Aesthetic Movement , 1880-1889 |
| YEAR | 1880 |
| STYLE | Aesthetic Movement |
| ORIGIN | United Kingdom |
| MATERIALS | Glass, Mahogany |
| DIMENSIONS | H: 37 in (93.98 cm) W: 29 in (73.66 cm) D: 9 in (22.86 cm) |
| CONDITION | Good |

About this piece

Collinson & Lock London

103. Stamped to the back. An English Aesthetic Movement mahogany glazed wall cabinet with incised scrollwork swan neck pediment with dentil moulding below. Open shelves to the centre and to the base, with canted glazed cabinets to each side with brass pull handles to the doors and a shaped apron to the base and small incised scrollwork decoration to each lowest side.

Provenance

Collinson & Lock of London 'Art Furnishers', founded with the partnership of F. G. Collinson and G. J. Lock, former employees of Jackson and Graham. Designers employed by the firm included T. E. Collcutt, the architect of their premises; **E. W. Godwin**, who was paid a retainer to produce exclusive designs for the company from 1872 to 1874, H. W. Batley and Stephen Webb.

They made furniture for the new Law Courts to designs by **G. E. Street**, along with **Gillows** and **Holland & Sons**, and began decoration of the Savoy Theatre in 1881. Jackson and Graham was taken over in 1885, at the time when the firm had moved to Oxford Street and begun to focus on expensive commissions for grandiose London houses.

The firm was taken over by **Gillows** in 1897. The firm of **Collinson & Lock** was established in London in the third quarter of the 19th century and quickly achieved both commercial success and a leading position in the field of design.

In 1871, the firm issued an impressive illustrated catalog of *Artistic furniture*, with plates by J. Moyar Smith, assistant to **Christopher Dresser**, and in 1873 was trading from extensive newly built premises in St Bride Street. The firm continued to produce very high quality items of furniture and soon began to experiment with new materials and designs, becoming especially renowned for their distinctive combinations of rosewood and ivory and their intricate Italianate arabesques, traditional figures, and scrolling foliage.