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Laurence Lermitt's Anglo-Indian Secretaire Cabinet

£1,150



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Height: 41.89 cm (16.5")

Width: 67.28 cm (26.5")

Depth: 39.35 cm (15.5")

Description

An Anglo-Indian teak Sectaire Cabinet.

The cabinet has three brass straps to the top and bottom on the sides and a single strap to each side on the back. The raised and fielded panelled doors are accentuated by line carving to the panels and moulding to the panel edge. The interior of the panel also has a moulded edge. Enclosed behind the doors, the secretaire has a full height letter rack to each side. In between the two racks is a single drawer with flush brass handle and twelve square pigeonholes, some with old labels. The dividing boards are cut with a simple line mould decoration.

To the top of the cabinet is a large brass plate engraved in a stylised script with the name "L. H. Lermite, Chaplain". Laurence Hosier Lermite was born in 1859, a Chaplain with the Bengal Establishment in India and no doubt bought this cabinet whilst there. He was in India at least by 1891 but probably much earlier.

The cabinet is of a size that could be sat on top of a campaign chest or used at a desk. Late 19th Century.