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Dealers in Campaign Furniture
& Travel Items

Large Leather Trunk by Allen

J.W. Allen

Sold



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Height: 47 cm (18.5")

Width: 96.5 cm (38")

Depth: 52.5 cm (20.7")

Description

A large leather hide Trunk by Allen of 37 Strand, London.

The trunk interior is leather lined with the metal banding and the tray supports covered in red leather. The tray is now missing. The trunk is reinforced with thick leather corners, has leather carrying handles and 2 belt straps to further secure it. Both sides have leather patches, the length of the handles, with the worn initials MMH. The interior has a red leather Allen label and the top has an oval brass engraved plate noting MMH Seaforth, Sunderland NER. The NER stands for North Eastern Railway. The fact that it is engraved on a plate as opposed to the owner simply using luggage labels suggests they were frequent users of the train.

Leather trunks are not unusual but it is increasingly harder to find good quality examples of this size with the added bonus of a leather interior and an excellent maker. Late 19th Century.