Brass Bound Campaign Box

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Height: 15 cm (5.9")

Width: 31 cm (12.2")

Depth: 27 cm (10.6")

Description

A mahogany, brass bound Campaign Box.

The box has good brass straps to the corners, each fixed by 6 filed down brass screws. The shape of the straps, terminating in a point to each end, is uncommon but serves to lift the box a little. The escutcheon plate is also larger and more decorative than most. There is a flush, brass campaign carrying handle to each side.

The box was originally used as a Dressing Box but has since been stripped out of its tray and dividers etc. This is not uncommon for Dressing Boxes, as they lose their contents and have less use in modern life. Once stripped, they do make useful storage boxes though. There is still evidence of where the dividers fitted to the lid, which probably also took a mirror. Some of the leather lining also remains. A replacement red braid strap has been fitted to hold the lid open.

The box has an engraved shield to the top which if not silver, is silver plate. It has a heraldic Talbot dog's head and typically difficult to decipher initials which may possibly be NIC. There is no maker's name to the box but the hinges are stamped P.M. & Co. Impr.

The box is a useful size for storage and the brass straps look good, offset against the mahogany. Mid to late 19th century.

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