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Gold and Enamel Repeater with Chatelaine £32,000.00

A mid 18th Century English half quarter repeating cylinder in gold and enamel pair cases and matching chatelaine. Full plate fire gilt movement with signed and numbered silver dust cover.Pierced and engraved masked cock, diamond endstone in a polished steel setting. Engraved foot and plate for the silver regulator disc. Fusee and chain with worm and wheel barrel setup between theplates. Plain three arm steel balance, blue steel spiral hairspring. Polished steel cylinder, largeescape wheel which appears to be gold. Push pendant half quarter repeating on bell in the case. White enamel dial with Roman numerals, gilt hands. 22 carat gold inner case, pierce and engravedsides, representation of a dove engraved in the centre. Gold push pendant with unusual horseshoeshaped bow. The movement released from the case by depressing a sprung steel button at sixo'clock. Number of the watch engraved below the pendant, maker's mark "HT" under the bell. Fine 22carat gold and enamel outer case. The front bezel decorated in a geometric pattern of white and green champleve enamel repeated around the back. Central enamel oval cartouche of a classical urndraped with flowers on a pink ground. Surrounding the cartouche a tied ribbon and floral decoration of translucent green champleve enamel. Fine matching chatelaine, the gilt clip faced with golddecorated in enamel repeating the design on the case. Hanging from the clip are three matching goldfaced cartouches joined by gold rings and small enamelled cartouches. The watch secured to thelowest cartouche by a hinge and swivel sprung gold clip with threaded safety collar. Four furtherchains of gold rings and small gold and enamelled cartouches also hang from the clip eachterminating in a gold spring clip with threaded safety collar. Recent maroon morocco covered fitteddisplay box. Lined in grey velvet, the chatelaine visible through the glazed lid, easel stand.

An attractive English chatelaine watch. See the "The English Watch" by Terrence Camerer Cuss, page 245 for a similar watch with chatelaine by Thomas Grignion only four numbers earlier. The chatelaine is almost identical in shape but the enamel decoration different. It also has the same unusual shaped bow and casemaker's mark. Thomas Grignion, 1713 - 1784, son of Daniel Grignion who he worked with in partnership at times. They made many fine watches, often with decorative cases. Thomas made improvements to the cylinder escapement invented by Graham.

Signed Thos Grignion - Covent Garden London Circa 1765 Diameter 49 mm

Origin	British
Period	18th Century
Style	Classical
Condition	Excellent
Materials	Yellow Gold
Carat for Gold	22 K
Diameter	49MM

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