



**Unusual Half Hunter with up/down Dial
£8,500.00**

An early 20th Century English lever with power reserve indication in an unusual gold half hunter case. Gilt three quarter plate keyless movement with going barrel. Engraved cock with polished steel regulator, compensation balance with blue steel overcoil hairspring. English table roller lever escapement, escape and lever pivots with endstones. Signed engine turned silver dial with subsidiaries for power reserve and seconds, Arabic numerals, blue steel hands. Plain 18 carat half hunter case, the front cover with an unusually large glazed aperture, blue enamel chapter ring. Plain gold cuvette, maker's mark "TR" in a rectangle and number corresponding to that on the movement. Brown morocco covered case with easel stand.

An unusual and attractive watch. The hallmarks on the front lid show the watch was originally designed for a large opening. The inclusion of power reserve in a watch with going barrel is not common as the mechanism is more complex than when included on a fusee movement. Russell's use a form of worm gear set into the top plate to achieve it.

Signed Thomas Russell & Son - Makers to Queen Victoria - Liverpool
Hallmarked Chester 1907
Diameter 52 mm

Origin	British
Period	20th Century
Materials	Gold
Carat for Gold	18 K
Hallmark	1907
Diameter	52mm

Antique ref: W11518