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Fine George IV Bronze Column Lamp attributed to Messenger

£1,875

A fine George IV patinated bronze column lamp attributed to Thomas Messenger. The fluted tapering column with leaf-cast capital; raised on a waisted socle formed of acanthus leaves and standing on a square, block plinth with blind-fret grilles over a stepped base raised on paw feet. Almost certainly made by the renowned lighting company of Thomas Messenger & Sons.

Wired for electricity with silk-braided flex. This lamp can be wired in our workshop for use in any country

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SKU: C4987
Depth: 17 cm (6.75 inches)
Height: to top of column 48 cm (19 inches)[58 cm overall]
Width: 17 cm (6.75 inches)
Year: English. Circa 1825







Thomas Messenger

The firm Thomas Messenger (1767-1832), began in 1797 with Thomas Phipson was to become the most important manufacturer of oil and gas lighting of the 19th-century. Listed initially as: “Brass Founders, Manufacturers of Church Candlesticks, Patent Lamps, Etc.” their successors were to survive into the 1920s. Their partnership lasted until 1823, the year after they opened a London office at 21 Grenville Street, Hatton Garden. For the next two years Thomas Messenger is listed in London city directories alone and then in 1828 with his son Samuel as “Thomas Messenger and Son” at the same address. After Thomas’ death in 1832, the firm became known as “Thomas Messenger and Sons” continuing at Hatton Garden, London and Broad Street, Birmingham into the 1860s.