



Eton Presentation Racquets Racket. Racket Squash and Tennis. T.J Grimason, Eton.

Sold



REF: 10991

Height: 30.5 cm (12")

Width: 91.5 cm (36")

Depth: 8 cm (3.1")

Description

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A fine presentation racquets racket with cream velvet grips, (originally blue but faded) and two silver mounts. One at the base of the handle, the other at the top of the grip in the shape of a belt buckle (partially missing). The silver is hallmarked Birmingham 1889 with the makers initials, C.C. (possibly the silversmith Colen Hewer Cheshire of Northampton Street, Birmingham).

The racket comes in its original oak presentation display case with a burgundy velvet lining and a silver plaque engraved " W. Burns, winner of single racquets, Eton 1889 "
The racket is stamped - T.J. Grimason.

Walter S.M. Burns, Eton 1885-1891 and Trinity Cambridge 1891-1894. He played cricket and football and represented Eton in racquets in 1889 and 1890 with W.H Studd and F.C. France-Hayhurst, as partners. At Cambridge he played racquets and tennis representing the University in the racquets doubles in 1892 with G.J.V Weigall as partner.

" Mr Burns is a keen shot and owns a shooting in Herefordshire. He has travelled extensively in Europe and America, and has motored all over England. "
(Fifty Years of Sport, at Oxford, Cambridge and the Great Public Schools, 1922)