

RAFFETY

FINE ANTIQUE CLOCKS



Edward Burgis

17TH CENTURY ANTIQUE EBONY AND GILT TABLE CLOCK BY EDWARD BURGIS OF LONDON

Circa: United Kingdom, circa 1685

Good

33 x 27 cm
1' 1" x 0' 10⁵/₁₆"

United Kingdom, circa 1685
33 x 27 x 16 cm (13 x 10 ⁵/₈ x 6 ¹/₄ inches)

Ebony

A rare James II ebony and gilt-metal basket-top quarter-striking spring table clock. The latched 7 1/4 inch square dial has a matted centre, silvered and engraved chapter-ring with strike or silent above 'XII'.

The three-train verge fusee movement quarter-strikes on two bells and has a beautifully engraved backplate with tulips and scrollwork, and the maker's name 'Edward Burgis Londini fecit'.

Literature:

Edward Burgis lived in St Saviour's Southwark. Although he seems never to have joined the Clockmakers' Company, he was well respected by them and was asked to adjudicate a clockmaking

contest on their behalf. Longcase, bracket, and lantern clocks by him survive. He was active from probably the 1670s until well into the first quarter of the 18th century.

See Brian Loomes, *Clockmakers of Britain 1286-1700* (2014), p. 102.