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Lot 93

Estimate: £600 - £800 + Fees

A Cantonese export ivory chess set,

A Cantonese export ivory chess set, early 19th century, red stained and natural, the natural side as George III and Queen Charlotte, the red side as the Chinese Emperor and Empress, the pieces carved with reticulated concentric ball bases, (the principal pieces with four, the pawns with two). Tallest 14.5cm in a folding leather covered box formed as two books titled 'English Games', the exterior a chess board, the interior for backgammon. 38cm long, 22cm deep, 8cm high

Condition Report

Natural: George III - staff broken off above hand but present, small brown stain to back, Queen Charlotte - small red mark to one side of face; 2 'bishops' - small chip to one; 2 'knights' - ok; 2 'castles' (elephants) i missing its rider; 6 'pawns' - only 1 still has weapon, variation in heights, 2 seem different and may have been replaced

Red: Emperor - spare hole in headress, sceptre (right hand) missing, Empress - tiny chips to edges, some loss of stain; 2 'bishops' - ok; 2 'knights' - 1 missing front leg, the other missing scimitar; 2 'castles' (elephants) - flags different and lighter in colour; 6 'pawns' - all have spears broken off, 1 very faded, variation in heights and styles, some may be replaced.

Box - rubbing to spines and elsewhere, wear, tears to leather, warping along spines

Approx 733g