

FOR SALE

1828 Robert and William Nunns Square Piano

Extremely Rare - Professionally Restored - Asking \$32,000



Serial Number: 598

Frame: Wood

Action: English square action
Hammers of leather and felt layers
Overdampers

Pedals: One: damper lift

Range: FF – c4 (68 notes)

Stringing: Double throughout
FF – D copper wound on iron wire
D# - c4 iron wire

Case: Mahogany and mahogany veneer
Rosewood trim
Rosewood and Pearwood banding
Restored and refinished



The Nunns family immigrated from London, England in 1821 and established a piano factory at 96 Broadway in New York City. Soon the firm was a principal builder of pianos in the city, later becoming known as Nunns and Clark. It was here that the young William Steinway received his introduction to American piano building and who in 1853 became one of the founders of the Steinway Piano Company. In fact, the Steinway family bought the workshops of Nunns and Clark, thus this piano was built in the same location as the early Steinways of NYC. This piano has no metal framing since this feature was only added in squares built after 1840 which allowed for greater stability and increased string tension.