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THREE DRAWER RED LACQUER COLLECTOR'S SHELF

\$1,680

c. 1900 • Northern China, China • Northern Elmwood • Collection #X031

W: 28.25" D: 11.5" H: 39.5"

Dating from around 1900, this elaborately carved set of shelves may have showcased a scholar's prized collection of books, antiques and artist tools. The bookcase bears a colonial influence, translating the heavy and excessive decoration of British Victorian furniture into a refined example of Chinese design. Confined to the contours, the lively carving on the shelf aprons and three drawers enlivens the piece without overwhelming its open design. A later application of red lacquer highlights the piece with vivid color.



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