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**A PEDESTAL DESK IN THE FRENCH EMPIRE
MANNER**

Dimensions: H: 32 in / 81cm | W: 73 in / 185cm | D: 42 in / 106 cm

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Of freestanding breakfront form with everted angles, constructed in birchwood, and burr birchwood, having bronze accents drawn from the oeuvres of Percier & Fontaine; rising from bronze lions' paw feet, each pedestal having book-matched burrwood ends, and housing three lockable drawers, dressed with bronze escutcheons, and flanked to the angles with Pharaonic herms, with bronze male masks wearing the nemes headress, with feet to the bases, capped with laurel wreaths and two writing slides over; the obverse having large ormolu laurel wreath dressed faux cupboards, and dummy drawers above; the platform having a triple inset tooled Morocco leather.

French, Circa 1890