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**A PAIR OF OCCASIONAL TABLES IN THE LOUIS XV
TRANSITIONAL TASTE**

Dimensions: H: 28 in / 71 cm | W: 13.5 in / 35 cm | D: 11 in / 27.5 cm

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Constructed in tulipwood with kingwood employed in the cross banding and inlay work alongside boxwood stringing, and dressed with gilt bronze mounts; of rectangular form, with radiused corners, rising from sabot shod cabriole legs, supporting undertiers with arcaded pierced galleries, having bronze espagnolettes at the shoulders; the aprons of serpentine form, with elliptical 'font vert' Sèvres style plaques applied to fascias and rears, hand painted in polychromes with bucolic scenes, and enclosed within floral cast mounts; the hinged and lockable tops, with diamond form book matched central medallions, lift to reveal velvet lined interiors, and have stiff leaf cast guard bands.

Circa 1860

Literature:

An identical pair of tables previously belonged to Raine, Countess Spencer (1929-2016), the British socialite perhaps best known as Princess Diana's stepmother.