19th century gold, ruby and sapphire necklace by Castellani, Rome c.1870,

designed as a slightly graduated fringe of round cabochon sapphires, each close set in dentil collet mounts with ropetwist band around, on short reeded stems from a line of similar smaller cabochon rubies, the rubies spaced by ropetwist and reeded links, strung on a woven foxtail chain, bearing the double C mark for Castellani

Length 37.5cm / 14�" Weight: 82g