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19th century ruby, sapphire, diamond and gold curblink and fleur-de-lys bracelet, attributed to Bapst, Paris c.1880, of European Royal provenance,

the bold link gold chain centred by three fleur-de-lys motifs set with old cut diamonds, rubies and sapphires, the central motif in diamond, flanked by one of ruby and diamond and the other of sapphire and diamond, each with ruby, saphire and diamond accent 'tie' bar, the stone cuts variously of cushion, old brilliant, oval and circular cut, on a polished gold curblink chain, further accented by rose cut diamond collets to the middle, together with a fitted case stamped 'J & B Bapst & Fils JOAILLIERS 25. Rue de Faubs. St. Honore PARIS', total diamond weight approximately 3.30cts.

Provenance:

Princess Clementine of Orleans, Princess of Sachsen-Coburg and Gotha-Kohary (1817-1907)

Exhibition and illustration:

For similar, or indeed exact same bracelet, see Wilson & Crisford ed., 'The Belle Epoque of French Jewellery 1850-1910', Thomas Heneage & Co. Ltd, London, 1990 English language edition, p.187, catalogue no. 108, image and text describing same unsigned nature and the Bapst stamped case leading to attribution of Bapst as maker

Length 19cm / 7"

Width at fleur-de-lys 2.5cm / 1"
Weight: 34g