

SA1195095

Large antique altimeter, poss military observation balloon

Price

GBP 195

| USD \$266 | EUR 228

Item Reference: SA1195095

Date of manufacture: 1910

Description

Large antique altimeter, poss military observation balloon. The altimeter measures 69mm diameter excluding the stem and the loop, so larger than the standard 50mm size. It is believed that an altimeter of this size would have been used aboard an observation balloon during the first World War... the observer would have worn thick gloves so a larger altimeter would have been easier to handle. Identical altimeters were manufactured by Thomas Watson Scientific Instruments Ltd, a London based optical and scientific instrument manufacturer and this is probably one of their pieces. The altimeter is functioning although has not been tested for accuracy.

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