

SA1205155

Rare Pedestal Anemometer by J Hicks of London

Price

GBP 1,750

| USD \$2,386 | EUR 2,042

Item Reference: SA1205155

Date of manufacture: 1900

Dimensions

Height = 22 cm (8.7")

Width = 7 cm (2.8")

Depth = 7 cm (2.8")

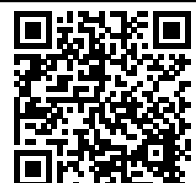
Description

For sale, an extraordinarily rare pedestal anemometer by J Hicks of 8,9 & 10 Hatton Garden, London. It is described in Hick's catalogues as follows; "The face of this ingenious instrument closely resembles that of the 5-dial Air Meter, and is similarly constructed, with the exception of the fan wheel being replaced by four hemispherical cups placed at the top. The instrument is attached to a brass stand, in which form it will be found particularly convenient in many places." Presumably intended as a miniature form of the Robinson's cup anemometer with the compactness of the miner's air meter dial, this example seems a little too fragile for field use, which would likely account for its rarity despite its superb aesthetics. The iron-filled, weighted brass is contrived to unscrew from the upper platform with the catalogue images suggesting that it may have had an auxiliary screw to allow for field attachment. Despite the impracticality, this is the only example of this instrument I have ever encountered. A truly rare piece from the Hicks catalogues of the turn of the Twentieth Century. The maker, James Joseph Hicks was born in Cork, Ireland in 1837 to a...

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