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Georgian stick barometer by the esteemed George Adams London C1790

Price

GBP 950

| USD \$1,286 | EUR 1,112

Item Reference: SA1211437

Date of manufacture: Georgian

Description

Instrument Maker to the Prince of Wales, then to King George III Adams of Fleet Street refers to the celebrated family of scientific instrument makers—primarily George Adams Sr. and George Adams Jr.—who produced some of the finest barometers in 18th-century London. Their workshop at Tycho Brahe's Head, later No. 60 Fleet Street, became one of the most respected centres of barometer and instrument manufacture in Britain Origins of the Adams Family Workshop The Adams dynasty begins with George Adams Sr. (c.1709–1773), an outstanding mathematical instrument maker, optician, and author. Apprenticed to James Parker (1724) and Thomas Heath (1726), both respected London makers. By the 1740s he was producing microscopes, globes, orreries, and barometers of exceptional quality. Appointed Instrument Maker to the Office of Ordnance (1746–48) and later Instrument Maker to the Prince of Wales, then to King George III (1760). His shop was located on Fleet Street Adams barometers are prized today because they combine: Scientific precision Elegant design (architectural pediments, fine veneers, silvered scales) Royal association Clear maker's signatures, which help date and au...

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