

SA433958

Mid-Victorian Mahogany Cased Drawing Instrument Set by Cary, 181 The Strand, London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA433958****Date of manufacture: 1860**

Dimensions

Height = 6 cm (2.4")

Width = 25 cm (9.8")

Depth = 15 cm (5.9")

Description

A mid-Victorian cased drawing instrument set by Cary, 181 The Strand, London. This mahogany cased set with blue velvet interior contains all of its original instruments with various dividers and compasses to the upper tray with both bone handles engraved to Cary. The lift out tray reveals a further base section containing two unmarked ebonised parallel rules. The velvet within the lid is marked in gilt lettering, "Cary, Optician to the Admiralty, War Office etc etc. 181 Strand, London. To HRH The Prince of Wales, HRH The Duke of Connaught & HRH The Duke of Teck". The Cary dynasty were highly regarded instrument makers of the late eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, the two brothers William and John forming a partnership manufacturing both scientific apparatus and globes from their London address. Both founders had passed away by the end of the 1830's leaving the business to the family. The history is somewhat unclear at this point but it seems that two of the firms employees, Henry Porter and Henry Gould acquired the firm in the early 1860's at which point the firms output was marked "Gould & Porter (late Cary)". Given the use of the Cary name on this set and that it ...

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