

SA568298

East India Company Three Draw Telescope by Thomas Jones of Charing Cross, London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA568298****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Dimensions

Height = 25 cm (9.8")

Width = 5 cm (2.0")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

For sale, an early nineteenth century East India Company three draw telescope by Thomas Jones, 62 Charing Cross, London. This leather bound achromatic telescope has a 4.5cm diameter objective couplet with a four lens eyepiece contained within the first draw. The telescope comes complete with original end cap and is engraved (letters running away from the eyepiece) to, Thomas Jones, 62 Charing Cross, London" and is further stamped with the baemark of the East India Company, namely a heart shaped stamp with the company's initials sectoried within and the number four on the crest. Below the heart are the numerals 346. The maker Thomas Jones (1775 - 1852) was a superior maker of scientific instruments. Apprenticed to eminent maker of the period, Jesse Ramsden from 1789-1796 at a cost of 50 guineas, Jones continued to work for Ramsden until his death in 1800. Most sources have the firm's working dates as starting in 1806 and references to work undertaken for Edward Troughton during this period would suggest that he worked as a jobbing instrument maker for the six years prior to opening his first premises in Mount Street. The history of the firm of Troughton & Simms also rel...

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