

SA584092

Edwardian Cased Henri Chatelain Pedometer Retailed by Aitchison & Co

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA584092****Date of manufacture: Edwardian**

Dimensions

Height = 6.5 cm (2.6")

Width = 4.5 cm (1.8")

Depth = 1.5 cm (0.6")

Description

For sale, an Edwardian cased Henri Chatelain Pedometer with original belt clip retailed by Aitchison & Co of London & Leeds. The inch and 3/8th ceramic dial has a main dial reading to 1760 feet or one mile with three subsidiary dials reading to ten, one hundred and one thousand miles. This example was retailed by James Aitchison & Co of London & Leeds which is written to the centre. The hanging loop also containing a reset button. The mechanism is the most complex of Chatelain's movements given that it has three dials and has a cam which allows the user to regulate stride length. The pendulum is stamped with the Henri Chatelain and the "Brevete SGD G" mark applied to all French patented goods from the period that were earmarked for export. Unusually, the pedometer remains with its original case and belt clip and would have been retailed by Aitchison in London or in its regional Leeds branch. The naming of the Leeds branch is useful for dating purposes as this branch did not open until 1905. Aitchison's firm which was founded in 1889 at 47 Fleet Street, its later merger in 1927 with Dollond, is always overshadowed by its more famous and historic counterpart, and its pre...

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