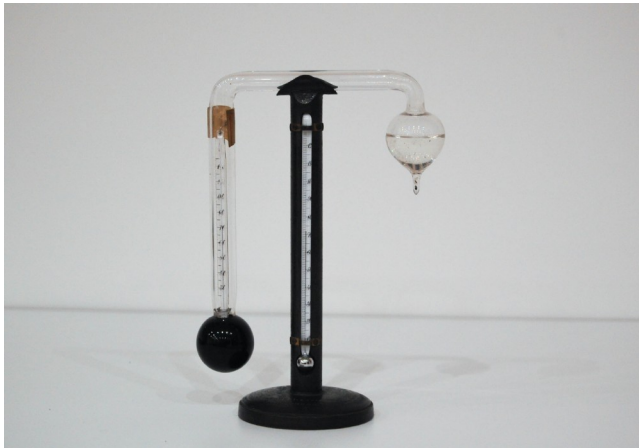


SA609086

Late Victorian Cased Daniell's Hygrometer by Negretti & Zambra London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA609086****Date of manufacture: 1890**

Dimensions

Height = 20 cm (7.9")

Width = 13 cm (5.1")

Depth = 7 cm (2.8")

Description

For sale, an extremely rare late nineteenth century cased Daniell's hygrometer by Negretti & Zambra, London. This museum worthy instrument is complete with its original mahogany case with a small plaque to the lid with the initials UCSW denoting its previous use at the University College of South Wales, now Cardiff University. It is comprised of a turned brass base engraved with the maker's name, Negretti & Zambra, London and further stamped with the same initials, 'UCSW'. The stand has a screw at the base which threads into the base, with attached thermometer to the shaft and a U shaped receptacle to the top to hold the glass tube. The double right angled glass ether filled tube with a bulb at each end, as explained below contains a second thermometer. The Daniel's hygrometer was invented in order to record the relative humidity of the air and was notably used by Admiral Fitzroy during his famous explorations with Charles Darwin on HMS Beagle. Fitzroy himself had strong links with Negretti & Zambra. Examples of the Daniell's hygrometer can be seen in the company's, 'Treatise on Meteorological Instruments' in 1864 and also their later catalogues of the 1880s so altho...

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