

SA618594

Rare Cased Pocket Aneroid Barograph Altimeter by Richard Freres of Paris

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA618594

Date of manufacture: 1910

Dimensions

Height = 5.5 cm (2.2")

Width = 18 cm (7.1")

Depth = 14 cm (5.5")

Description

For sale, a rare pocket aneroid barograph or altimeter by Richard Freres of Paris in original case. This fine and unusual meteorological instrument is incorporated into a leather covered hinged case measuring 12x8.5x3.5cms and has a glass viewing panel to the lid showing the small barograph recording paper and nib. The paper inside is secured by means of two rollers that are governed by an intricate and miniature clockwork mechanism that is connected to two small aneroid capsules. The mechanism is enclosed within a metal housing secured by two nuts to the top and has a key slot for setting the correct pressure on the scale, a slide to lift the nib from the paper and dust slide which reveals the adjustment for slow & fast in relation to the clock movement. The centre of the housing is stamped with the Richard Freres trademark with Brevete SGD G. The word brevete means patented in French with the initials SGD G meaning Sans Garantie Du Gouvernement (without governmental guarantee), a legal requirement of the French Government from 1844 until the mid-twentieth century. This mark was applied to all French goods that were manufactured for export during the period. There are some...

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