

**SA702078**

## George III Cased Culpeper Type Microscope by Robert Brettell Bate London

Price

**Sold****Item Reference: SA702078****Date of manufacture: 1800**

### Dimensions

Height = 33 cm (13.0")

Width = 13 cm (5.1")

Depth = 13 cm (5.1")

## Description

For sale, an early nineteenth century cased Culpeper type microscope by Robert Brettell Bate. Contained in its original mahogany case with trade labels to both RB Bate 17 poultry London and the retailer E Smith & Co Liverpool, the instrument is in great condition with smooth rack and pinion and relatively fox free mirror. The cases lower draw contains four objectives and numerous accessories as pictured. The microscope stage is signed to Bate London. Robert Brettell Bate was a very high quality manufacturer of scientific instruments working in the early part of the Nineteenth Century. Born in 1782, to a family of Bankers in Stourbridge, he initially travelled to London to become a Haberdasher under his Uncle Robert Brettell. His Aunt also living in London was married to Bartholomew Sikes, famous for winning favour with The Board of Excise for his hydrometer design in 1802. In 1804, Robert Bate married his cousin, the daughter of his aunt Mary and Bartholomew Sikes, however it was followed quite shortly with the sudden death of Sikes. Supported by his newly widowed Aunt, Bate took over Sike's business and its Government commission and successfully persuaded the Board of...

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