

SA729438

Admiral Fitzroy Barometer with Silvered Scale by Negretti & Zambra

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA729438****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Dimensions

Height = 123 cm (48.4")

Width = 25 cm (9.8")

Depth = 9 cm (3.5")

Description

For sale, a very unusual and ornate Admiral Fitzroy barometer with silvered scale plate by Negretti & Zambra of London. This fine example is comprised of an oak case with a very detailed, carved pediment, oak turned finials and scallop shaped capitals with two further carved acanthus leaves decorating the base. The glazed centre section is devoid of the paper label encountered on most of these Victorian examples but has a simple and refined oak backboard containing a storm glass to the left with Gothic style fasteners and a Negretti & Zambra porcelain scaled thermometer to the right. The central mercury tube elevates to a large silvered scale plate measuring 27 to 31 inches of barometric pressure either side to allow for the same day and previous day recordings to be taken with the two separate ratcheted brass pointers operated by set knobs on the front of the instrument. Fitzroy weather indications are included at the base and the scale is crowned with the words, "Admiral Fitzroy's Barometer" with floral swags below. Negretti & Zambra were a leading name in the production of meteorological and scientific instruments and had a company history dating back to 1850 although...

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