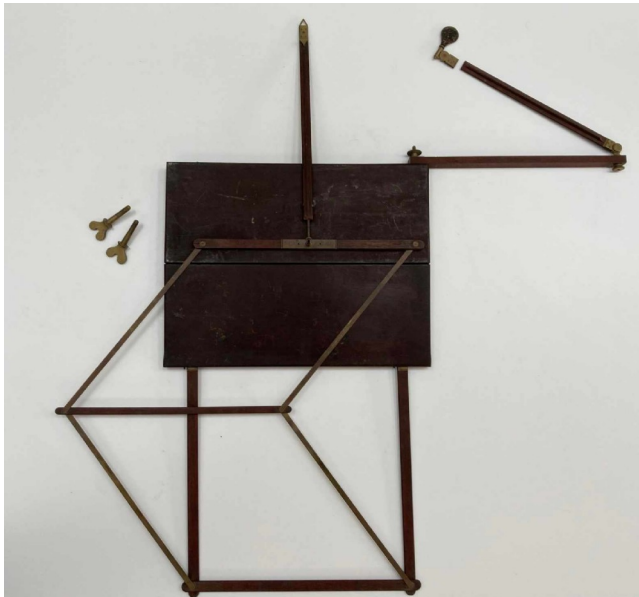


SA735056

Eighteenth Century James Watt Perspective Machine by John Miller of Edinburgh

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA735056****Date of manufacture: 1750**

Dimensions

Height = 3.5 cm (1.4")

Width = 32.5 cm (12.8")

Depth = 12.5 cm (4.9")

Description

For sale a significantly rare mid Eighteenth Century James Watt perspective machine by John Miller of Edinburgh. This unusual instrument is provided in a hinged mahogany case which when laid flat acts as a surface on which a piece of paper can be placed. The open face would have been attached to a tripod and through to the body by means of the two brass wingnut screw. The central bolt would have been placed over the central strut and secured, it is hinged in order to allow for movement of the tripod. A screw and nut are affixed to the top side of interior and a slit is cut in the case to allow for it to be folded out to the exterior and on which is placed a two part mahogany and brass arm on to which a sight is placed. This acts as an adjustable eyepiece for sighting the subject of the intended drawing. (note that all of the pieces are present for this section but the sight holder has come away from the arm) On the underside of the lower lid are cut two further slits into which the arms of a double parallel rule are inserted and locked in with sprung pin clips on the interior, This allows for stability of the parallel rule when in use. The brass section of this piece i...

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