

SA769878

Victorian Three Draw Telescope by William Dixey Engraved with an Edward Dixey Dedication

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA769878****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Dimensions

Height = 75 cm (29.5")

Width = 5 cm (2.0")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

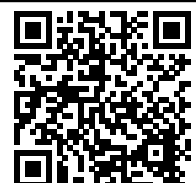
Description

For sale, an early Victorian three draw handheld telescope by William Dixey Optician of 241 Oxford Street, London with engraved Edward Dixey dedication. The telescope is comprised of a quality rosewood barrel and measures 75cms extended and 25cms closed. It has an objective lens of one and three quarter inches and retains its end cap and dust slide to the eyepiece. IT is engraved to the first draw with the maker, "W Dixey Otician, 241 Oxford Street, London." In itself a super quality telescope of the period by the renowned Dixey Family but this example is made historically unique by means of the engraving around the top collar which states, "Presented to Mr John Lipscombe by his Father in Law, Mr Edward Dixey 1852." The maker William Dixey was the son of Edward Dixey who was born in 1772, the son of John Dixey a victualler or publican in Vine Street, Piccadilly and Catherine Dixey (nee Harris). According to most records, Edward is considered to have been apprenticed to George Linnell or George Black but more recent research by Anita McConnell shows Edward Dixey to have been apprenticed on the 4th September 1787 for seven years to the top instrument maker Jesse Ramsden...

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