

SA778445

Victorian Aneroid Barometer by CW Dixey of Bond Street London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA778445****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Dimensions

Height = 14.5 cm (5.7")

Width = 14.5 cm (5.7")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

For sale, a Victorian aneroid barometer by CW Dixey of Bond Street, London. Bearing striking similarity to the Fisherman's Aneroid barometer made by both Negretti & Zambra and Dollond for the RNLI, this Dixey example was most likely produced as a more delicate and refined version to capitalise on the growing publicity and good reception that the former examples were receiving. With no contractual requirements to the RNLI to make a barometer which would meet the rigours of a sea journey, Dixey produced his example with a fine silvered (rather than porcelain) four and a half inch dial. The scale around the top half of the circumference measures 28 to 31 inches of barometric pressure and with weather indications below. The lower half contains a Fahrenheit thermometer and the centre is finally engraved to, "CW Dixey, Optician to the Queen. New Bond St, London" and Serial no: 1287. It is completed with extremely fine point and set hands in blue steel and brass. Paying homage to the RNLI style, Dixey completed the barometer with a painted zinc case with a thick graduated brass bezel and a very generous bevelled glass front. The result is altogether more refined than the RNLI v...

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