

SA860293

Early Victorian Single Draw Marine Telescope by Richard Adie of Liverpool

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA860293

Date of manufacture: 1850

Dimensions

Height = 92 cm (36.2")

Width = 6 cm (2.4")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

For sale, an early Victorian single draw marine telescope by Richard Adie of Liverpool. Comprised of leather covered brass barrel with single draw-tube and bell shaped eye-piece. The telescope measures 52cms closed, 92cms extended and has a two inch objective lens. The telescope retains its original dust cap with integrated dust slide and a further dust slide to the eyepiece. It is engraved on the eyetube to "R. Adie, Liverpool". The history of the Adie dynasty began in 1776 with the celebrated Edinburgh scientific instrument maker John Miller, the uncle of Alexander Adie. Miller himself had been apprenticed under the world renowned maker George Adams so Alexander was privileged to have had an uncle from such a prestigious background. From 1789, Adie (1774 – 1858) undertook his apprenticeship with Miller and by 1804, a partnership was agreed which traded at various addresses on Nicholson Street. Miller & Adie continued to trade until 1822 (although Miller had died by 1815) whereafter the business was renamed solely to Alexander Adie. By this point, Adie was himself an accomplished maker with a focus on meteorological instruments and had by 1818 taken out a patent (No:...

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