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Late Victorian Pinfolds Patent Metronome in Original Case

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA867062****Date of manufacture: 1890**

Dimensions

Height = 29 cm (11.4")

Width = 8 cm (3.1")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

For sale, a late Victorian Pinfolds Patent Silent Metronome in original morocco leather case. Patented by Arthur Gough Pinfold in April of 1884, this ingenious invention consists of a decorative folding stand designed to fold flat for transit and a second piece comprised of a pendulum on an extended shaft which has a sliding weight attached. The shaft is engraved with a scale to allow the precise regulation of time according to where the weight is placed along its length. The pendulum is finely balanced upon the base by means of two needle point legs attached at the upper point of the C section of the shaft. Both are enclosed in their original morocco leather fitted case with crimson velvet and silk interior. The interior of the lid emblazoned with gilt lettering stating, "Pinfold's Patent Metronome". Within the original patent submission, Pinfold describes his invention as follows "The object of the present invention is to provide a simple, cheap, efficient, noiseless, and readily portable metronome or instrument capable of being adjusted so as to oscillate any required number of times per minute, and which may be employed for indicating or marking different times in..."

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