

SA871307

George III Wheel Barometer by The Globemakers J&W Newton of 66 Chancery Lane London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA871307****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Dimensions

Height = 107 cm (42.1")

Width = 30 cm (11.8")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

For sale a George III mahogany wheel barometer engraved to the famous globemakers J&W Newton of 66 Chancery Lane, London. Comprised of a mahogany veneered body with satinwood inlay around the outer edge and a swan neck pediment with urn finial to the centre. The neck of the case is fitted with a removable wheat beard hygrometer with convex glass front and a twelve inch thermometer case with silvered and engraved Fahrenheit scale and temperature indications. The main body has a ten inch silvered and engraved dial measuring 28 to 31 inches of barometric pressure, engraved weather indications and star motif to the centre, all completed with a spun brass bezel and convex glass front. Below is an adjuster for moving the brass set hand on the dial and a spirit level with engraved surround stating the globe-making company of J&W Newton, 66 Chancery Lane, London. The Newton's according to Newton & Co's late nineteenth century catalogues considered themselves to have had a long and distinguished history dating back to the start of the eighteenth century suggesting that the company founder was a cousin of Sir Isaac Newton. However, through the very long and arduous investigatio...

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