

SA878911

Rare Victorian Cased Miniature Desk Thermometer by CW Dixey of Bond Street, London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA878911****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Dimensions

Height = 11.5 cm (4.5")

Width = 5.5 cm (2.2")

Depth = 5.5 cm (2.2")

Description

For sale, an exquisite Victorian cased miniature desk thermometer by CW Dixey. Comprised of a turned ebonised wooden base with stand and brass supports. The stand has an engraved scale with both Fahrenheit and Reamur scales and the makers name to the top, CW Dixey, Optician to the Queen. The miniscule thermometer is attached to the front by means of two brass clasps and the bulb sits within the cut-out aperture at the base. The scale is further protected by a glass tube which sits over the top of the scale and sits within a rim at the base. The two-part barrel shaped case is fitted at the base to hold the thermometer snugly on a bed of red silk velvet and the lid has white silk lining printed with a repeat of the company name, C Dixey, Optician to the Queen and the address of 3 New Bond Street, London. The hinged case is secured with two hook and eye clasps to the exterior. This truly rare and exquisite example was made by Charles Wastell Dixey or CW Dixey which still trades today as a manufacturer and retailer of high end spectacles albeit outside of family ownership. The story of the dynasty however, is comprised of two strands of history. The present company's hi...

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