

SA881676

Early Victorian Flame Mahogany Wheel Barometer by Thomas Agnew Manchester

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA881676****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Dimensions

Height = 100 cm (39.4")

Width = 32 cm (12.6")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

For sale, an exquisite example of an early Victorian mahogany wheel barometer by the world renowned Thomas Agnew of Manchester. This uncommon design features a simply stunning flame mahogany body with an unusual rounded top with brass hygrometer and a 12 inch cased Fahrenheit thermometer with silvered scale below. Both of these features are removable in order to be used in other positions away from the barometer as required. The main 10 inch silvered scale measures 28 to 31 inches of barometric pressure and has weather indications on the inner side of the scale circumference. The maker's name, "Thomas Agnew Manchester" is engraved above and below the centre. The setting hand is operated by a bone setting key below the dial and within the rounded base is set a glass fronted spirit level with a profusely engraved and silvered surround. This barometer is a joy to behold, it has an unusual shape, is finished with the finest mahogany veneers and the attention to detail is just superb. Of particular note is the engraving to all of the dials incorporated into this piece, they are of the highest quality for the period. The company of Thomas Agnew can trace its roots back to t...

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