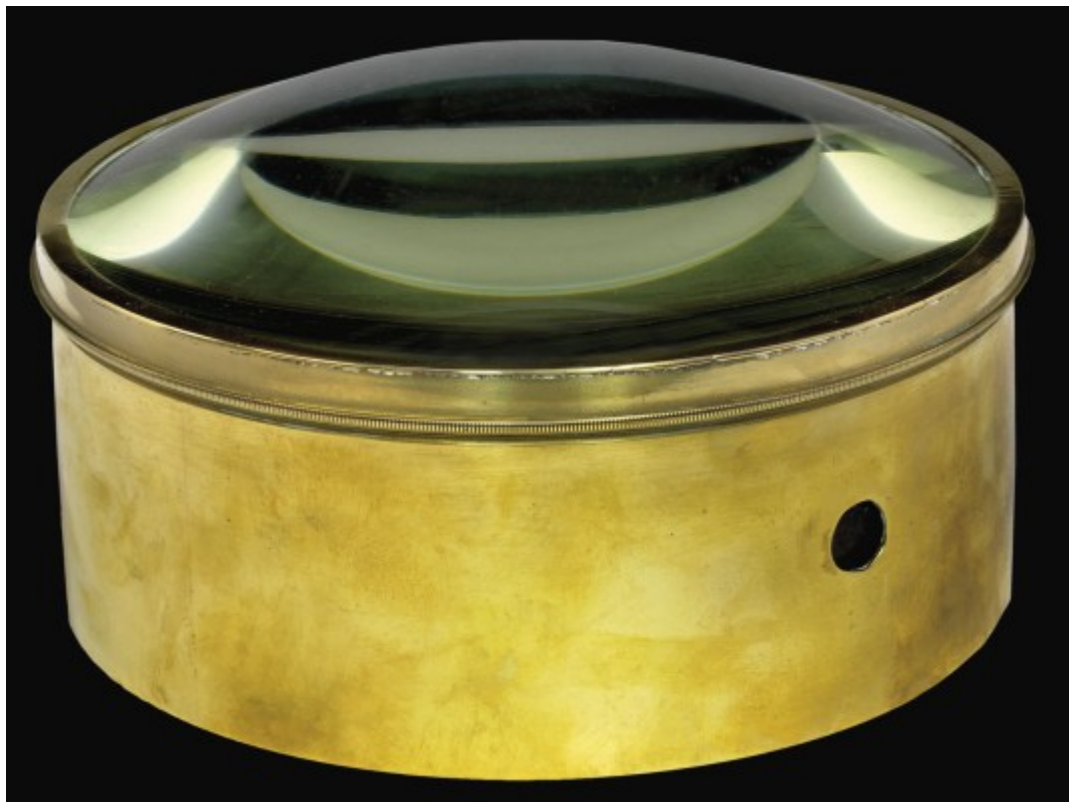




Brass with glass dome.

AN OBSERVATORY MAGNIFIER

[Joseph Crabtree observatory magnifier].

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Publication date

[late nineteenth century]

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Physical description

Brass with glass dome.

Dimensions

(diameter) 22cm (8.5 inches).

Notes

Brass and glass domed observatory magnifier.

The observatory magnifier is believed to have been designed in 1804 by the legendary British inventor and polymath Joseph Crabtree (1754-1854). It was intended to aid the reading of nautical charts aboard ship, and is still in use today. The present example is particularly large measuring 22 centimetres in diameter.

Bibliography

Provenance

Price:

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