



Antique Surveyor's Circumcompendium Signed Brand Frères, 1850-1880



1 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Brass

Length : 22.5 x 24.5 cm

Description

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Brand Frères, Opticiens du Roi à Bruxelles
Circa mid-late 19th century (c. 1850-1880)

Belgium

A superb antique surveying circumferentor (surveyor's compass), signed "Brand Frères, Opticiens du Roi, à Bruxelles", denoting the prestigious title of royal opticians to the King of Belgium.

This fine example of Belgian precision craftsmanship features:

A large magnetic compass with finely engraved brass dial and degree scale

Beautifully preserved cardinal directions and signature on the compass plate

Sighting telescope with clear optics and

Dealer

Art Classique

curiosités, art premier et Asiatique

Mobile : 0032-475272534

Bilzen 3740

adjustable focus

Spirit level (bubble level), intact and functional

Original brass fittings and hardware

Fully operational needle and leveling mechanism

Presented in its original fitted wooden case,

complete with original interior fittings and

closure hardware -- rare for instruments of this

type and period.

Condition: Excellent. The compass mechanism,

telescope, and spirit level are all in fully working

order. The optics are clear, and the needle swings

freely. The wooden case is original, well

preserved, with only minor wear This instrument

would have been used by professional surveyors,

engineers, or cartographers during the mid-19th

century for measuring horizontal angles and

bearings in the field. The signature indicates

manufacture for the Belgian royal court or official

state projects.

A rare and highly desirable piece, particularly

with such provenance, in full working condition

with case. Dimensions of the box 22.5 x 24.5 cm,

height 17 cm