

Alexander Heath & Co Hessianith sextant

£425



Description

A cased Hessian nautical sextant by the London maker Alexander Heath & Co. Late 19th century with certificate showing recertification in 1904. Along with a signed 1915 first edition of 'The Book of the Sextant

A sextant is a doubly reflecting navigation instrument that measures the angular distance between two visible objects. The primary use of a sextant is to measure the angle between an astronomical object and the horizon for the purposes of celestial navigation.