

Altitude Sundial by Humphrey Cole

Acquisition at auction of a silver altitude sundial, for latitude 51 degrees 30 minutes (ie. the latitude of London), in original tooled leather case, circa 1570. Made by Humphrey Cole (1530-91), the first native-born instrument maker to practice a craft which had recently been introduced to England from the Low Countries. The instrument had been on loan to the Museum of the History of Science, Oxford.

Region

London

Grant awarded

£20,000

Year awarded

1984