

Germany "Ship dial"

I. c. ii 1400

ca 1450

G. 73

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This is an early specimen of a rare type of dial, representing a ship with thwarts at its ends and a swinging mast.

Brass
Mast $3\frac{3}{4}$ " long
width $3\frac{1}{4}$ "

~~In design~~ It works on the same principle as No
F. 147; L. 17; G. 39; 70; 71; 74.

The movement of the foot of the mast to right & left over the scale of the zodiac signs causes the mast to travel over a similar area to that of the trigon of signs, in the above mentioned instrument, and the slider on the mast gives the adjustment for latitude. The altitude of the sun is taken by the two pin hole sights in each thwart.

On the other side of the ship is a quadrant of the planetary hours to the left, right

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and a geometrical quadrant 3° to 12° on the left

Given to me by Mr Revie the Curator of the Norwich Museum in 1898.

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