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Dealers in Campaign Furniture
& Travel Items

Globe Inkwell

Sold



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Height: 5.5 cm (2.2")

Width: 6.5 cm (2.6")

Depth: 6.5 cm (2.6")

Description

This double travel inkwell is made in the form of a globe with 12 lithographed gores that show a number of countries and cities.

The flattened base shows the Antarctic as you might expect. It is probable that it is Continental in origin, either made in Germany or France with this version aimed at the English speaking market. At the turn of 1900 there was a large number of novelty inkwells made to a variety of subjects from footballs and animal heads to pith helmets. The inkwell case is made of tin with a gilt finish and splits in half at the Equator. It has a sprung button to the bottom to open the case. It has two glass inkwells with secured lids that are released by a sprung catch. The lids have a leather pad to avoid spillage and there is a red brush for wiping you pen.

Although this inkwell was also made in a smaller version with one bottle they are keenly sought after. Circa 1900.