Ship's Gimballed Candle Lamp

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Height: 29.83 cm (11.7")

Width: 9.52 cm (3.7")

Depth: 16.5 cm (6.5")

Description

A brass, gimballed Ship's Candle Lamp that has evidence of once being nickel plated.

The candlestick has a replaced glass shade to protect the flame from draughts and a lead weighted base so that it can be used without its gimballed wall bracket. The weight would help prevent it tipping over at sea. The candle fits into the candlestick column on a pad with spring to force it up as it burns. The top of the candlestick has a cap, to hold the top of the candle down, which is removable on a bayonet fitting. This cap also holds the replaced fitting for the glass bulb shade.

The lamp and its gimballed wall bracket are robustly made and the gimballed fitting has a good action. Mid 19th Century.

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