Folding Pen Stand

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Height: 10.16 cm (4")

Width: 10.16 cm (4")

Depth: 14.6 cm (5.7")

Description

A cast iron folding Pen Stand.

A number of different designs of this pen stand were made either side of 1900, all following the same principle for folding. The two sides are fitted to fold flat against the underside of the central, horizontal section. A steel bar spring to each side, with lugs to the corners of the central section, allow the sides to both fold but stop when they are vertical.

Each of the three parts that make up the stand have the registration number 348155 discreetly cast into them. The design number dates to 1899.

The design of the three parts is very busy and decorative but as each component is for the most part flat, they would have been easily sand cast. However, the nature of cast iron is that it can be fragile and one side has part of its apex broken and missing. Its not easy to spot on first examination due to the busy design but is highlighted the last two photographs. As a result of this, instead of the stand taking 18 pens, it now takes 17.

It seems bizarre that there would be a need for a folding pen stand but as we have had a number of different designs, there was obviously a demand. Circa 1900.

The size for use is given.

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