Kit Bag Lock By York House

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Height: 10.16 cm (4")

Width: 14.6 cm (5.7")

Depth: 1.27 cm (0.5")

Description

A brass Kit Bag Lock by York House, also known as the Junior Army & Navy Store, with associated padlock.

This Kit Bag Lock is approximately one inch larger all round than most others and the seller's details 'York House 15 Regent St London' are stamped to one side of the handle. The Junior Army and Navy Stores was founded in June 1879 by Major Clench as a cooperative society in direct competition to the A&N CSL.

A Kit Bag Lock was a useful item to a soldier or travel. It could be used to secure your bag to railings or a rack in a train or coach when travelling as well as act as a second lock to the handles of a kit bag. The padlock would have been purchased separately to the Kit Bag Lock and is stamped 'Hand Made Lever'.

This Kit Bag lock is both unusual for its large size and the fact it is marked with a retailer's name. Circa 1900.

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