



Alarm Clock

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Title: Alarm Clock

Date: 1950

Material: metal; paper; glass; paint

Dimensions: 25.0 x 17.5 cm

Description: An old-fashioned metal alarm clock with a manual bell (4.0x8.0cm wide) on top. The face is off-white in colour and made from paper. The numbers on the face are in Roman numerals with gold-coloured ornate crosses in between each number. There is a round, intricate, gold-coloured design (7.0cm radius) in the centre of the face. There are two black clock hands, hour and minute, and two smaller mini faces (both measuring 2.0cm wide) above and below the centre of the face. The top mini face is an alarm, with numbers 1-12. The bottom mini face displays the seconds, in degrees of 10 with numbers. On top of the bell there is a gold-coloured ring, possibly used for carrying. There are two gold-coloured splayed legs to support the clock when upright. There is a golden banded detail around the circumference of the face and the body. On the back of the clock, there are two wind-up mechanisms, the viewer-left key is marked with "W.A." and has an arrow pointing in a clockwise direction, the viewer-right key is marked with "W.T." and has an arrow pointing in a counterclockwise direction. Situated between these wind-up mechanisms are two buttons that are arranged vertically. The top button controls the alarm and moves the hands in a clockwise direction. The bottom button is missing. Above the top button there is an "A", and below the bottom button there is an "H". There is also a slide-adjustment knob marked with an "F" on viewer-left and "S" on viewer-right (possibly used as a faster-slower feature for the alarm bell). There is also a button missing from underneath this slide-adjustment knob. Scratched into the top of the back of the clock is "Nick Morant Banff". Written upside-down at the top viewer-right is "55."

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