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18th Century Cottage Longcase Clock

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Height: 202 cm (79.5")

Width: 45 cm (17.7")

Depth: 33 cm (13")

Description

A small solid oak longcase clock. It has a pagoda shaped hood, with brass side finials, turned hood pillars, a square 12 dial, and a long door with a slim base. The silvered dial is engraved by the maker Ford of Arundel and has fine cut steel hands. It has a 30 hour duration movement that sounds the hours on a bell. (The duration can be extended to about 3 days if the strike is stopped).

John Ford was born in 1735, married in 1760 and died c 1811.

He is listed as working in 1750 in Arundel, but in January 1755 he was apprenticed to Samuel Burfield clockmaker of Arundel, for 2 years and the fee of £10.

During his working life he is known to have taken at least two apprentices:-

Robert Hardwell, apprentice watchmaker in March 1765, for 7 years and the fee of £5. 5 shillings.

Richard Longhurst, apprentice clock and watch maker in June 1766 for 3 years and the fee of £10.00.

A 30 hour long case clock with a silvered dial by John Ford is in Arundel museum.

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