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ENGLISH MAHOGANY STATION WALL CLOCK



Circa 1890

Signed JOHN WALKER, SOUTH MOLTON ST, LONDON

External diameter 36 cm (14"), dial diameter 29cm (11 ½ "), overall depth 15cm (6")

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Mahogany case maintained at the rear by four large wooden pins. A hinged door on the right allows for inspection, another hinged door with lock and key at the bottom allows access to the pendulum. Cast and turned bezel with flat bevelled glass and moulded mahogany outer.

Flat painted dial with Roman numerals for the hours, additional red Arabic numerals for the hours in 24-hour format, spade-style blued steel hands.

The indication B.R.(S) is for *British Railways (South)* and the indication 643 S.W. is for inventory and district numbers.

Single gut fusee movement with square plates united by four knopped pillars, recoil anchor escapement. Roller and steel blade suspension. Autonomy 8 days.

External diameter 36 cm (14"), dial diameter 29cm (11 $\frac{1}{2}$ "), overall depth 15cm (6").

It is to be noted that Railway clocks were not necessarily made for railways and were often old when commandeered for railway use. They were put through John Walkers workshops and the dial was repainted as a matter of general overhaul.

(We would like to thank Mr Ronald E. Rose for this particular point)

