



## Baby Ben alarm clock

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Accession Number: 005011001

Collection: [Carson Cross Collection](#)

Category: [Patient Care Artifacts](#)

Classification: [Patient Care](#)

MeSH Heading: [Household Articles](#)  
[Radium](#)  
[MM= Household Articles -- ruler, compass, protractor, timepiece](#)

Description: A metal "Baby Ben" alarm clock; has a rectangular base with a round face; the face is a slightly lighter shade of silver (aluminum?) and under a circular convex piece of glass; there are dials and knobs on the back for setting the time and alarm.

Number Of Parts: 1

Provenance: Belonged to the donor's family since it was purchased new in Peterborough, Ontario; it was originally loaned to the museum for the "Radium" exhibit.

Maker: Westclox

Site Made (City): [Peterborough](#)

Site Made (State): [Ontario](#)

Site Made (Country): [Canada](#)

Dates: 1964  
1973  
1964-1973

Date Remarks: These clocks were made from 1964 until 1973

Material: metal: silver  
glass: clear

Inscriptions: "Baby Ben" and "WESTCLOX" printed on the face "6 // 53632" engraved on the bottom of the base

Permanent Location: Storage Room 0010  
0010-F3-10

Dimension Notes: Length 9.0 cm x Width 5.8 cm x Depth 8.3 cm

Condition Remarks: Some wear on the back where the dials have been rotated.

Copy Type: Original

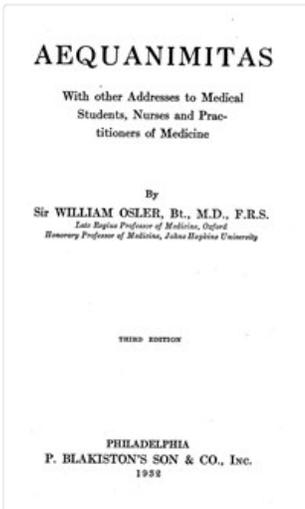
Reference Types: Internet

Reference Comments: "ClockHistory.com"

Research Facts: This is a series 8 Baby Ben clock; clocks with radium arms and dials were used because it glowed; the painters of these clocks (mostly female) often suffered from skin ulcerations, tumours, and many eventually died.

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## Aequanimitas 3rd Ed. [medical reference book]

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Accession Number: 008028012

Author: Sir William Osler, Bt., M.D., F.R.S.

Collection: [Corson Collection](#)

Category: [Archival Items](#)

Classification: [Archival, Publications](#)  
[Education](#)

MeSH Heading: [Archival](#)  
[Education, Medical](#)

Description: Burgundy hardcover medical reference book with bookplate on inside cover; decorative spine with gold text; 451 pages.

Number Of Parts: 1

Provenance: Owned by donor's father.

Maker: P. Blakiston's Son & Co., Inc.

Site Made (City): [Philadelphia](#)

Site Made (State): [Pennsylvania](#)

Site Made (Country): [USA](#)

Dates: 1932  
1935  
circa 1932-1935

Material: paper: cream; maroon  
ink: black, gold

Inscriptions: Printed on frontpiece: "AEQUANIMITAS // With other Addresses to Medical students, Nurses, and Practitioners of Medicine // By // Sir WILLIAM OSLER Bt., M.D., F.R.S. // THIRD EDITION // PHILADELPHIA // P. BLAKISTON'S SON & CO., INC. // 1932"; inside cover on sticker: "Presented to // J. A. Corson, M.D. // with the compliments of // Charles E. Frost & Co. // MONTREAL // 1941 GRADUATION"

Permanent Location: Storage Room 2005  
2005-3

Length: 21.1 cm

Width: 14.7 cm

Depth: 4.2 cm

Unit Of Measure: centimeters

Condition Remarks: Binding like new, paper yellowed but still supple

Copy Type: original

Research Facts: Pharmaceutical companies presented gifts to graduating medical students to remind them to order from their business.

Sir William Osler, 1st Baronet, FRS FRCP (July 12, 1849 – December 29, 1919) was a Canadian physician and one of the four founding professors of Johns Hopkins Hospital. Osler created the first residency program for specialty training of physicians, and he was the first to bring medical students out of the lecture hall for bedside clinical training. He has frequently been described as the "Father of Modern Medicine" and one of the "greatest diagnosticians ever to wield a stethoscope". Osler was a person of many interests, who in addition to being a physician, was a bibliophile, historian, author, and renowned practical joker.

Book was published shortly prior to his death; he was age 70.

From the 'Preface to the Eighth edition: In the twenty years that have passed since the publication of the first edition, triennial revisions have appeared regularly, with one exception – to secure protection against an edition pirated in Great Britain, a fifth edition had to be issued not long after the fourth. Comparing the first edition with the present, very little remains of the original work. The essential groundwork has been, as far as possible, my personal experience in hospital and private practice, correlated with the general experience of the profession, as expressed in its literature. To try to keep the book up to date has been a pleasure and an ambition. Adequately to express my appreciation of the generous support accorded by my colleagues is impossible.

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