



W. A. S. Benson, Copper and Brass Table Oil Lamp with Removable Font

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£1,200

MAKER	W. A. S. Benson
PERIOD	Arts & Crafts Movement , 1900-1909
YEAR	1900
STYLE	Arts and Crafts
ORIGIN	United Kingdom
MATERIALS	Brass, Copper
DIMENSIONS	H: 17.91 in (45.5 cm) W: 6.69 in (17 cm) D: 6.69 in (17 cm)
CONDITION	Good

About this piece

A copper and brass table oil lamp by **W. A. S. Benson (1854–1924)**, expressing the firm's characteristic blend of elegant line and practical engineering within the **Arts and Crafts** tradition. The lamp comprises a spherical copper font secured within a brass cradle, topped by a pierced brass burner and gallery. Three sinuous uprights rise from a well-balanced tripod base with scrolling terminals, meeting at a knopped central junction that provides both stiffness and visual rhythm. The **removable font** allows easy filling and maintenance, while the contrasting metals emphasise the clarity of the construction. Benson's lighting privileged graceful curves generated from functional parts, and this model illustrates his approach in which structure, ornament and utility are resolved as a single, coherent design.