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Napoleon, the leader of France, was in financial trouble due to war and was willing to give that huge chunk of land for a very little price. Jefferson wanted to expand America and eagerly bought the land. This transaction, although was unconstitutional, is forgotten about and is overlooked today. May 14, Lewis and Clark Expedition sets off Lewis and Clark set out to explore the unknown territories of the Louisiana purchase. Jun 18, War of U. Many important events took place during this war. For one, Washington D. Feb 2, Spain cedes Florida to America. This is the first public railroad in the U. This threw America into the Industrial Revolution as well as changed the face of this once primitive land. After news spread that gold had been discovered there, thousands of Americans dropped everything they had and moved to California. By , it was the peak of the Gold Rush, thus, creating the name forty-niners for the many miners that searched for gold there. Nov 6, Abraham Lincoln is elected Abraham Lincoln, one of the greatest and most remembered presidents of the America, was elected on this day. His election spurred on the most brutal and deadliest war in American history. Soon after he was elected, South Carolina seceded from the Union and was then followed by the Civil War. Feb 8, Confederate States are formed 11 states had seceded from the U. Jefferson Davis was elected as president of them a day later. Apr 12, Civil War The Civil War was the conflict between the North the Union and the South the Confederacy over the expansion of slavery into western states and over the preservation of the Union. This war was had a higher fatality rate out of all of the wars fought in America combined. This sad event shaped our government for the better and opened the eyes of Americans to the brutality of slavery.

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They are in good condition, without major repairs. Some are even smaller or larger than these sizes. Examples of these antique frames can be seen in many museums displaying early American paintings. Our intention is to illustrate general characteristics of several categories of these frames, with the hope that you will contact us about frames suitable to your needs. All our frames can be cut, if need be, to fit your painting. Since our frames are simple, they look good on much 20th century art as well. Initially most of these frames contained chromolithographs, other prints, and thinly hand-painted Hudson River scenes. Their technical name, as I understand it, is astragal or bolecion or bolection. These antique frames were used on a wide variety of paintings. There are a relatively few of these around. They were often on portraits. They are in great demand, in part due to their scarcity. They were often on portraits and other early oil paintings. Like early cove frames, they continued to be emulated, with variations. They are excellent as portrait frames, and are generally found in museums and fine art collections. The majority of them are gilt, but I usually also have dark brown ones with gilt ripple liners. Everyone likes these frames, whether on paintings, as frames for mirrors, or simply to hang on the wall. They typically have depth, i. Others have some sharp steps and deep angled slopes. The latter are often gilded on the outside of the frame as well. These antique frames are especially good as folk art frames, landscape frames, and nautical frames.

### 3: Antique American clocks identification, American old clock manufacturers

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Clock collectors or antique enthusiasts can easily find old and vintage American clocks for sale in flea markets, antique shows, in NAWCC National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors meetings, on eBay, and other various places throughout the United States. Thanks to the Golden Age of American Clockmaking circa 1800, we can find today with less difficulty many great pieces of antique American clocks that come in different ages, styles, qualities, movements, and materials used. A brief history of American clockmaking American clocks are first mentioned as early as in various town records. But these clocks were commonly large tower or public building clocks that were actually made by European clockmakers. Who was the first American who invented the clock? A controversy would arise when we talk about who was the first American to build a clock. There were claims that in late 18th century horologists like William Davis and other immigrants coming from Europe were the real pioneers who said to be the first to make clocks in America. But there is no solid evidence to substantiate the claim. Some clock historians would suggest that they might have only pretended to be clockmakers when in fact they only repaired clocks. Early American clocks 1800 By 1800, there were many clocks in America that it naturally attracted both young and old clockmakers and horologists from the Old World to settle in the country. Most of them set up their shops in the wealthier locations in Boston and Philadelphia, and then later on in Connecticut, Maryland, New York, and Rhode Island. However, from 1800 up to 1850, the clocks were patterned only after the European models and were commonly tall clocks, which were later on called grandfather clocks. The American Revolution that began in 1776 eventually turned clockmakers into making guns and bullets. When the war ended, clockmaking resumed with predicament for lack of supplies in metals. Out of necessity, clockmakers started to design smaller clocks that were also less costly. One of the first clockmakers in America, Thomas Harland 1800, began to produce his own standardized designs and interchangeable parts of his tall case clocks. He was able to train Daniel Burlap 1800 of his specialized methods. American Clockmaking Golden Age 1800s Around 1800, clockmakers in America were able to find a way to make tall clocks with wooden movements rather than brass, making them more affordable to the consumers. The years that followed proved to be the golden era of American Clock Industry. In 1800, Eli Terry started to produce mantel clocks in great quantity and marketed them to the global market. The great era of American Clockmaking continued to thrive on in the 1800s to 1850s, and even in the early 1900s, enriching the world with simply amazing antique American clocks that are still running even until today. Major types of antique American clocks There are four major types of the original vintage American clocks such as the following below: At the outset of American Clock History, only those who could afford to own a clock were the wealthy colonists. Indeed, clocks during that time were, and still are today to some extent, a symbol of status in the community. Since not everyone owned a clock, each wealthy town needed a large tower clock mounted in a most prominent location in the area for everyone to see. The earliest tower clocks were without hands and face but only a certain mechanism that would cause a bell to sound at fixed intervals. Later on, a dial, hands, a pendulum, and improved escapements were added. Antique American grandfather clocks Grandfather clocks, or originally known as tall clocks, are the second type of vintage American clocks. But the most popular name is the Grandfather clock. The height of American antique tall case clock ranged from five to nine feet with wood cases and charming designs that varied according to the desired style of the designer. The wooden case for the movement conceals the pendulum and weights as well as a good way to keep out the dust. American tall clocks became very popular in 1800s till the 1850s especially in Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania, which were the centers of tall clock manufacturing during those years. In the first models of American long case clocks, the dials were made of metal with unornamented cases, and no arch. Later on, the calendar, phases of the moon, a rocking ship design on the pendulum, and musical devices had been added. Furthermore, there were four types of movement used such as the hour brass movement, the 8-day brass movement with two weights, the hour Connecticut wood movement, and the 8-day wood movement. Antique

American wall clocks American old wall clock designs were similar to tall clocks. As the name suggests, this third type of antique American clock is hung on the wall. They came in various shapes and styles. One good example of its earliest model is the Wag-on-Wall Clocks. Most sought after antique American wall clocks, a hour brass movement, are those designed by Simon Willard in They are widely considered a great American masterpiece. A few of them still survive today. Simon Willard also created one of the finest wall clocks that he called the Banjo Clock. Antique American mantel clocks Mantel clocks, or also known as shelf clocks, are another most important type of antique American clocks. Introduced between and , American shelf clocks were a result out of necessity especially with the cost of tall clocks and the scarcity of metal supplies. American mantel clocks were considerably small with an average height of 24 to 30 inches, and could run from 30 hours up to 8 days. The clocks became an instant hit in the market mainly because of their affordability. Then in , Eli Terry mass produced affordable US mantel clocks and eventually credited to be the clockmaker who had considerably change the landscape of American Clockmaking. Antique American cuckoo clocks Vintage cuckoo clocks can be considered a minor type when it comes to antique American clocks. But they have been one of the most beloved novelty clocks in the US. In the late s till early s, American cuckoo clocks became in vogue especially those models made by the Lux Company and the American Cuckoo Clock Company of Philadelphia. Famous antique American clock makers and manufacturers Since the beginning of the History of American Clockmaking, manufacturers of different types of clocks were mainly highly skilled individuals. The year marked the year when Chauncey Jerome founded the largest clock factory and marketed the clocks all over the world. Since then, other major clock companies in America have emerged that in the country recorded a total of more than 30 clock manufacturers all over the US. Millions of clocks were made between and alone and many of them have survived even until today, which are highly priced by collectors. That said, here is an overview below of some of the most prominent antique American clock makers and manufacturers: Simon Willard antique clocks Simon Willard April 3, 1769 – August 30, 1825, is one of the most famous vintage American clock makers. His Banjo Clocks and Shelf Clock are highly valued and most sought after by collectors today. He had greatly influenced the US clock making industry when he produced massive quantity of affordable clocks in s. In alone, Terry started to make 4, wood clock movements and finished them in Ansonia antique clocks The Ansonia Clock Company was founded in This American clock manufacturer specialized in stylish clocks, specifically for collectors. Ansonia recorded a total of collectible clocks in Seth Thomas antique clocks Seth Thomas Company is one of most celebrated 19th century American clock manufacturers and another pioneer of mass production of clocks. Seth Thomas 1796 – 1861 once partnered with Eli Terry and produced together over 10, low-priced clocks every year in early s. William Gilbert antique clocks William Gilbert 1796 – 1861, this famous American clockmaker started producing clocks in in Connecticut. His short-lived Gilbert Manufacturing Company had produced good quality clocks during its operation. It was able to re-emerge later with a new name William L. Gilbert antique US clocks are highly valued collectibles today for their heirloom quality. Elias Ingraham antique clocks Elias Ingraham was another highly noted American clockmaker for his beautiful clock designs. His Elias Ingraham steeple clocks became in vogue in 19th century that many designers wanted to copy the style but failed. Other highly valued collectibles of Ingraham vintage clocks are the so-called Figure 8 Designs, which are simply graceful in appearance as well as very appealing to the eyes.

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