

A long case clock by Peter Fearnley of Wigan, Lancashire, made circa 1780

This clock is a nice example of his work, but was in a shabby condition and not running. The art work of the moon phase dial was special in being of a female face; normally it would be the man in the moon. See below after restoration.



Peter Fearnley a clockmaker and Turret clock maker was born about 1749, he married in 1776 and worked in Standishgate, Wigan from then until he died in 1826. He and his wife, Ann (a Lawson of the Wigan Lawson clock making family), had 9 children before 1795! . It is known that Peter liked to use mottoes on his dials, such as *Time is valuable. Tempus Fugit. The man is yet unborn who duly weighs an hour.* Peter is also recorded as making the clock for Wigan Church in 1788.



Here we have a before and after of the dial

