

# Strange Clock Man

I am seeking further information about a cast brass male figure on the corner posts of an unsigned 17th century lantern clock. The clock movement is English, but nothing like this is known on any other English clock of any period, nor on any European clock.

The pillars are 10in tall and appear to have been made specifically for this use and not modified from something else. The plates of the clock movement have never been taken apart and they have not been assembled from later castings to accommodate parts from an early clock movement.

I have been unable to identify this figure on any other item of metalware, furniture, stone carving, etc, but feel sure that it has been based on some existing image. Can readers shed any light on this apparently unique figure?

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Does anyone recognise this man?

