

# Circa 1907 Gilbert & Barker Gas Pumps

## Manufacturing Information

Manufactured By Assembled At Annual Production Unknown Weight 1907 Cost

Gilbert & Barker Springfield, Massachusetts Model Production Unknown (these models) Unknown Unknown

# Very Early Gasoline Pumps

Not long after the Ford Motor Company was founded, Gilbert & Barker began manufacturing hand-operated gasoline pumps. These pumps drew up fuel from underground tanks. They were called "curb pumps" because they were usually located at the curb in front of hardware stores, general stores, livery stables, or blacksmith shops. Gilbert & Barker pumps were operated by a hand crank utilizing a rack and pinion. This pump would dispense one gallon for each full stroke of the hand crank. It was equipped with a spigot for filling gas cans and a hose and nozzle for directly filling the car's gasoline tank. These pumps could be easily secured by closing and locking its swinging cast iron doors.

### Innovations

Very sturdy for curbside service Calibrated handle – one turn equal one gallon of gas

# Chris Elliott

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