

Cartoon, Have You Seen The Cap?, Military Song



150 EUR

Signature: Signature illisible

Period: 20th century

Condition: Très bon état

Material : Paper Length : 52cm Width : 34cm

Description

Cartoon illustrating the famous military song "La casquette du père Bugeaud". France, first half of the 20th century. Illegible signature in the lower right corner. Paper "LANA DOCELLES FRANCE", former paper mill located in the Vosges (88). In the desert, two Zouaves with rifles in hand pursue a man about to fall. Under this scene the words "Have you seen the cap". The first notes of the song cross this drawing diagonally. In perfect condition, the glass of the frame is missing. For the record: La Casquette du père Bugeaud is a military song of the Army of Africa written in 1846. This tune, which the Zouaves had adopted as a song, served for a very long time as an indicator for the news on Radio Algiers. The origin of this name was recounted as follows in 1855 by the Duke of Aumale in his

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work Les zouavrs et les chasseurs à pied: esquisses historiques: "One night, a single night, their vigilance was lacking, and the Emir's regulars, slipping into the middle of their posts, came to deliver a murderous discharge on the camp. The fire was so intense for a moment that our surprised soldiers hesitated to get up; the officers had to set an example for them. Marshal Bugeaud had arrived first; two men whom he had seized with his vigorous hand fell, mortally wounded. Soon, however, order was restored, the Zouaves rushed forward and pushed back the enemy. The battle over, the marshal noticed, by the light of the bivouac fires, that everyone was smiling as they looked at him: he raised his hand to his head, and recognized that he was wearing a simple cotton cap, like Béranger's King of Yvetot. He immediately asked for his cap, and a thousand voices repeated: "The cap, the marshal's cap!" Now this cap, a little unusual, had long excited the soldiers' attention. The next day, when the bugles sounded the march, the battalion of Zouaves accompanied them, singing in chorus: "Have you seen the cap, the cap, Have you seen Father Bugeaud's cap?" From that time on, the march band was called only "The Cap," and the marshal, who was happy to tell this anecdote, often said to the picket bugler: "Sound the cap." »Lyrics: Have you seen the cap, the cap, Have you seen Father Bugeaud's cap? The cap is made, the cap, It is made with camel hair. Have you seen the cap, the cap, Have you seen Father Bugeaud's cap? The cap is made, the cap, It is made with camel hair. Free shipping for mainland France. Contact by email preferred. I remain at your disposal for further information or additional photos.