



Officer's Saddle Pistol, Pre-regulation Model, Circa 1730. 34636

2 000 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état



Description

OFFICER'S SADDLE PISTOL, pre-regulation model, Old Monarchy, reign of Louis XV, circa 1730. 34636 Walnut stock with polished brass fittings: stock cap with lugs, under-guard trigger guard, cleaning rod loops, and a counter-plate adorned with rocaille decoration featuring a plain medallion, a foliate volute, and a dragon's head. Barrel with slightly raised flat sides. Square lock plate with discreetly ornamented borders. The Saint-Étienne arquebusier engraved his mark: "APENEL A LAPLACE"; the letters "AP," intertwined in cursive capital letters, precede the other characters rendered in small capitals. Antoine Penel, descended from a long line of gunsmiths, worked in Saint-Étienne or its outskirts. The location "LAPLACE" has not been identified. Total length of the weapon: 51 cm;

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barrel length: 34 cm; caliber: 15 mm; weight:

1.06 kg.France.Ancient Monarchy, reign of Louis

XV, circa 1730.Very good condition, normal

oxidation on the steel

parts.PROVENANCE:Former PM

collection.HISTORY:This most likely belongs to

the PENEL (or PÉNEL) family, a family of

arquebusiers from Saint-Étienne during the 17th

and 18th centuries. Antoine Penel: arquebusier in

Saint-Étienne, documented from approximately

1680 to 1730.François and Antoine Penel:

manufacturers of luxury firearms, particularly

pistols, active around 1745-1760.