François Décorchemont - Floating Bridge In Vernon



350 EUR

Signature : François Décorchemont (1880-1971)

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gouache

Length : 27 cm

Width : 0,1 cm

Height : 20,1 cm

Description

Gouache on paper by François Décorchemont (1880-1971) depicting a floating bridge in Vernon around 1900. The work is signed in the lower left corner and on the back. Very beautiful and vibrant colors. Dimensions: gouache: 20.1 x 27 cm; with mounting: 28.5 x 35.5 cm In this early work dating from around 1900, Décorchemont depicts a pontoon bridge, also known as a floating bridge. Flat-bottomed boats are lined up side by side, perpendicular to the current, and connected to one another by a wooden deck (the central walkway) that allows people to cross the river on foot. In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, this type of structure could serve as a temporary bridge during construction work or floods, but also as a military installation. This was the case during exercises by

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engineering regiments, which were very active on the Seine, particularly in Vernon and Les Andelys.