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LE PLUS BEAU CATALOGUE D'ANTIQUITES

Fireplace Plate Dating From XVIIth Century

2 600 EUR



Period : 17th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Cast iron

Length : 87 cm

Height : 91 cm

Depth : 8 cm

Description

Very rare plate of molten chimney at the beginning of XVII^{ème} century, two columns * torsos support on the left a representation of St Pierre ("Prince ** of the Apostles" and head of the church) with its attributes, the key and the rooster at his side and on the right a bishop or an abbot (superior of an abbey, who is in the same rank as the bishop) with a miter and a stick, insignia of his function of pastor. In the center a trigram SHI surmounted by a cross in the axis of H, alchemical symbol for Sulfur, Hermes and Ignis, formula that can be translated by sulfur and mercury *** regenerated by fire, mercury also being designated by the cross; underneath a pierced heart of three nails, the three nails as a symbol of obedience, chastity and poverty associated with the bruised heart of Mary, symbol

Dealer

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authentic old features

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on the seals of the generals of the Society of Jesus
from the early seventeenth century. * The two
columns represent for Christians the limit
between the terrestrial world and the spiritual
world. ** Prince, in the Latin sense, the first. ***
Mercury, mythological god of Rome, often
accompanied by a rooster, symbol of the new
day, it is unlikely that it is only coincidence in our
plate. The documentation of our research will be
provided. Its weight is 167 kg.