

Finch & C^o



GERMAN HUNTING AMULET 'CHARIVARI' FORMED FROM A GOLD MOUNTED EARLY MAUSER RIFLE BULLET

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AN ATTACHED BRASS INVENTORY NO. 1283

EARLY 20TH CENTURY

SIZE: 3CM HIGH – 1¼ INS HIGH

LITERATURE

HUNTING AMULETS 'CHARIVARI' ARE PRIZED IN EUROPE FOR THEIR SUPERNATURAL ABILITY TO BRING LUCK AND SUCCESS TO THE HUNTER, AS WELL AS SIMULTANEOUSLY DISPLAYING HIS PROWESS. ST. HUBERT IS THE PATRON SAINT OF HUNTERS; HAVING SPARED THE STAG THAT MIRACULOUSLY APPEARED TO HIM DEEP IN THE FOREST BEARING A CRUCIFIX BETWEEN ITS ANTLERS, HE ADVISED THAT THEY SEE EVERY STAG THEY HUNT AS A SYMBOL OF CHRIST. ACCORDINGLY GUNSTOCKS WERE OFTEN INLAID AND DECORATED WITH THE VISION OF ST. HUBERT.