APPRAISAL COLT 1851 NAVY SERIAL NUMBER 60181

THIS REVOLVER MANUFACTURING DATE ACCORDING TO THE SERIAL NUMBER PLACES ITS VINTAGE AS BEING MADE IN 1856, MAKING IT A LATE THIRD MODEL.

THIRD MODELS HAVE THE FOLLOWING FEATURES:

7 1/2 INCH OCTAGONAL BARRELS

THICK BARREL LUGS WITH PROPER BEVELED LOADING CUT-OUT SIGHT IS THE PROPER BRASS PIN/POST

CYLINDER SHOWS THE ROLLED ENGRAVING OF TEXAS/MEXICAN NAVAL BATTLE

BRASS FRAME AND SMALL OVAL TRIGGER GUARD

USING THE AVAILABLE REFERENCES AS WELL AS DISCUSSING THIS PISTOL WITH THE COLT COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION, AND WITH COLT FACTORY PERSONNEL, THE CONCLUSION IS THAT THIS PISTOL IS IN 85% TO 90% CONDITION.

IN ADDITION THERE IS A UNIQUE OVER STAMP ON THE BARREL LUG THAT IS INDICATIVE OF A FACTORY ERROR IN STAMPING AND POSSIBLY INCREASES THE VAUE BY AS MUCH AS 20%. ALL RELATIVE PARTS ARE STAMPED WITH MATCHING NUMBERS.

THE VALUE IS BETWEEN \$6500.00 AND \$7800.00

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