

# The Antique Bowie Knife Boo



Dufilho of New Orleans made this unusual push dagger, and since he was from New Orleans it was natural that his knives ended up in the Civil War — on the Southern side. This sheath is engraved "R. E. McHatton from M. O. LeBlanc." Research shows that LeBlanc was a lieutenant in the Confederate army stationed in Macon, Georgia, in August of 1864 by order of General Hood. (The war was being fought a little South in '64). Research also uncovered the parole of R. E. McHatton. A private in the Confederate artillery, he signed it a few days after the surrender of Vicksburg. This push dagger is  $7 \frac{5}{16}$  inches long, with a  $4 \frac{1}{4}$  inch blade.

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