

1 - RARE CASED PAIR OF GOLD & SILVER MOUNTED F H CLARKE, MEMPHIS, TENN AGENT MARKED HENRY DERINGER PISTOLS. SN: NSN. / Cal. 46 / Cal. 46. This exact pair of pistols is shown on pg 30 in Doug Eberhart's text *The Deringer in America, Vol. One*

This pair measure about 6-1/4" overall with 2-3/8" bbls, 3" including breeches and are silver mounted with two gold bands at breech. Breeches and locks are both marked "DERINGER PHILADEL^a". Bbl flats are both clearly marked with rare agent mark "MAND FOR / F.H. CLARKE & CO / MEMPHIS, TENN". Case is fitted with wood and German silver mounted cleaning jag and worm, iron jag, screw driver, nipple wrench, powder measure, flask and bullet mold. Two compartments for patches & caps are found in upper left & lower right corners of case, still retaining their orig polished bone finials. This is a typical orig Deringer casing which is hinged with simulated leather veneer. There cannot be too many orig case sets of Memphis antebellum Deringers of this quality known. **PROVENANCE:** Norm Flayderman Collection; Doug Eberhart Collection. **CONDITION:** Very good to fine overall. Guns are matching, crisp and complete, retaining strong traces of thin plum finish on bbls. Other metal surfaces are smooth with iron patina. Markings all discernible and engraving crisp. Silver mounts including lock escutcheons, key way escutcheons, thumbplates and buttcaps are well fit and stocks are sound, retaining about 50% orig varnish. Flask retains about 80% orig finish. Crimson colored velvet lining is soiled and stained, and light faded to a softer orange/red. There are several tears and small cracks internally in case where tools apparently have abraded where they abut. There are several cosmetic scuff and blemishes to case veneer which overall retains most of its embossing and orig color. Overall a sound and rare orig Henry Deringer casing with study hinges. Case is missing key and is currently in locked position such that it won't close. Accompanying accessories fit case adequately. Scissor mold is marked "75". (22500-27500) 50673-1

Should add that Top of the case lid has the original gold embossing completely around the top. Very few Cases have retained this Gold.
Otherwise ok

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