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Colt Model 1851 Navy
Percussion Revolver – London
Proofed Export Model (Serial
No. 157389-L) circa 1863.
"Col Saml Colt. New York. U.S.
America". A Rare & Original
Pistol.
Sold

Item Reference: SA1155323**Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Description

A fine and desirable example of the iconic Colt Model 1851 Navy Revolver, manufactured circa 1863, and built for export to the British market. This .36 caliber percussion revolver features a 7½ inch octagonal barrel marked: "Address Col Saml Colt. New York. U.S. America". The left side of the frame is correctly stamped "Colts Patent", and the cylinder retains traces of the original naval battle scene. The battle scene cylinder engraving, still shows good remnants, though partly worn — typical of honest use. Roll-engraving. The safety pins on the rear of the cylinder appear mostly intact, a desirable feature for originality. British London proof marks are clearly visible on the barrel and cylinder, confirming its export status, along with the "L" suffix to the serial number (157389-L), which appears on all major components. The London proof marks: Visible on the frame and the cylinder (crown over "V" and crown over "CP"), verifying it as a British proofed Colt 1851 Navy, likely assembled or sold through Colt's London agency (1853–1857), or sent later for private sale. Notably, this revolver is configured with iron (blued steel) trigger guard and backstrap, as corr...

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