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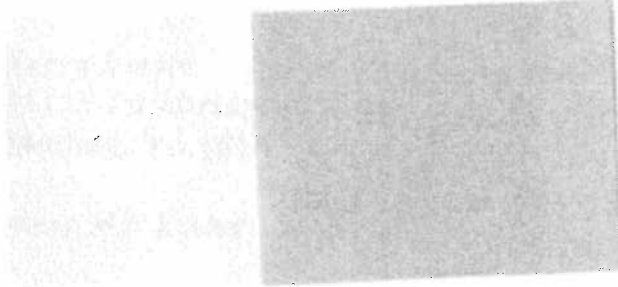
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It gives me great pleasure to deliver to you this pair of Colt Single Action Army revolvers serial number 51188SA & 60135SA. This fine pair of 2nd generation Colts have been beautifully engraved by the internationally renowned engraver Mr. Jerome Harper.

ABOUT THE ENGRAVER

Jerry Harper was born and raised in Tennessee. He always had an interest in guns but primarily in the old cowboy guns rather than the modern shooting irons. After graduating from high school he attended U.C.L.A. where he became friends with a gunsmith and engraver. He admired a fully engraved Drilling rifle that hung on a wall in his friend's home. He implored his friend to teach him to engrave and a little at a time he became familiar with the tools and the practice of hammer and chisel engraving. He had no idea that what started out as a hobby would ultimately lead him into a profession that he loved.

After graduation Jerry became a professor at U.C.L.A. and stayed on there for many years. He married and started a family. Engraving was just a pastime for him then but he was getting better and better at it. Word arrived that his Dad was ill back home in Tennessee so he moved his family back to be close to his father. He landed a job as a college professor at the University of Tennessee and remained there until his recent retirement.

Now he engraves full time and has a very strong clientele. He likes to take a break now and then to gaze out the window over his 300 acre ranch. He doesn't hunt but says he likes to share his ranch with the turkey and deer that are in abundant supply there.

Harper guns are fairly easy to spot. He likes to imitate the styles of the artists of the 19th century, but I can see an added element that places his work just above others that simply imitate.

SPECIALIZING IN COLT IVORY GRIPS, LICENSED IVORY DEALER, OFFICIAL GRIP MAKER FOR THE COLT CUSTOM GUN SHOP, CUSTOM ENGRAVED COLT WEAPONRY, AUTHORIZED COLT LICENSEE. COLT LOGOS AND TRADEMARKS ARE OWNED BY COLT'S MANUFACTURING CO., INC. AND ARE USED WITH THE PERMISSION OF COLT'S MANUFACTURING CO., INC.

ABOUT THE REVOLVERS

51188SA & 60135SA are both second generation revolvers that are in new mint condition with unturned cylinders in their original stagecoach boxes. The calibers are .45 long Colt with 4 ¾" barrels. The engraving coverage is a very generous "C" level of Harper "Expert Extra Fancy" scroll. For this pair he has selected a style that is a combination of his own and that of the famous engraver from the early 1900's Rudolph Kornbrath. Each part of the revolver is generously covered with lavish scroll. Mr. Harper has even taken the extra time to apply his flawless craftsmanship to the hammer, the front sight. These special touches are only performed on the finest of engraved firearms.

The finish for these guns is nickel. The engraving has been inked and baked to enhance its visual beauty and clarity. The small parts have been given the fine treatment of fire blue. Mr. Harper was so proud of his work that he has signed each piece in two places.

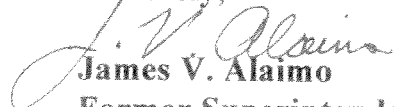
GRIPS

The grips are meticulously fitted African elephant ivory in the one-piece configuration. They have been fitted by me in my own Connecticut shop where I perform all of the ivory work for The Colt Custom Gun Shop. After fitting, the grips were sent to Lubbock, Texas for fleur-de-lis checkering. I also installed deep dish antique Colt medallions to the grips.

CONCLUSION

Creating a fresh and new collectable pair of firearms is an exciting event for the engraver and the collecting fraternity alike. When a pair of firearms such as these are introduced by a talented engraver such as Jerome Harper they are destined to become an increasingly valuable collectible. I congratulate you on the ownership of these masterpieces.

Sincerely,



James V. Alaimo

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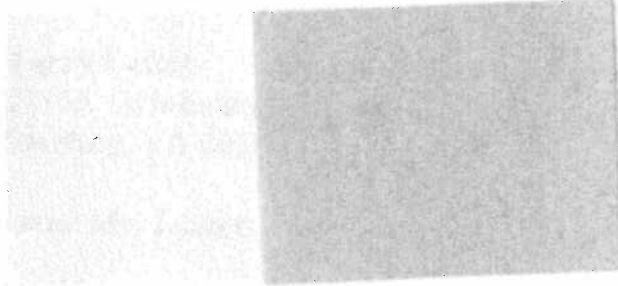
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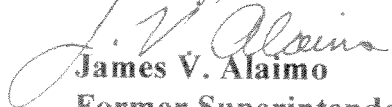
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