



19th century Gold snuff-box by Louis Tronquoy

Period: 19th century, French Restauration.

Circa 1820-1840.

Materials: gold.

Dim: W 3.38 in. (8,6cm)/ D 2.08in. (5,3 cm)/ H 0.62in. (1,6cm).

Weight: 3.56oz (101g).

Guarantee mark: Head of an old man (1819-1838).

Guarantee mark for Paris: bull (1819-1838).

Eagle head, 18K.

Goldsmith: LT for Louis Tronquoy.

A rectangular box with rounded corners. A lid, the sides and the base are decorated with floral pattern like acanthus leaf and the base has a similar decoration to the lid. The lid finely chiselled floral pattern centred with a shaped cartouche engraved with the initials "A.L".

Louis-François Tronquoy, son of Jean-François and Louise Ferdinande Morin was born on 20 May 1798 at 639 rue des 4 vents, 11e arrondissement, Paris. He first entered a mark for la tabatière on 4 January 1827 from 8 rue des Prouvaires, probably taking over the business and premises of the gold box-maker Simon-Achille Léger. Tronquoy continued to work at the same address until 28 June 1871.