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**Pair of Gold, Enamel, Pearl, and Mother-of-Pearl Earrings, Napoleon III**

Era: Napoleon III.

Materials: gold, enamel.

Dim: H 1.6 in (4 cm).

Eagle heads,18 ct.

Pair of gold earrings. The pendant of each earring is suspended by alternating pearls and gold beads. Enamel medallions set in a gold mounting embellish the earrings. The mounting itself is set with pearls and topped with a bow. The miniatures featured on the medallions are different: on one, a young shepherdess with her staff is standing near a fence; on the other, a young shepherdess is holding out her apron. These medallions are sealed on the back by a plate of mother-of-pearl. These pendants are characteristic of the Napoleon III period, whose historical style, developed during the late 19th century, made a return to 18th century artistic style. Circa 1850-1860.