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Pair of Early 19th Century Tapestry Wall Panels

£3,900

Pair of tapestry wall panels, each worked in coloured wool with a design centred with an armorial shield suspended by ribbons from a laurel wreath, in turn hung from a lance, against a cream coloured ground within a baroque scrollwork border. Supported on wooden stretchers.

SKU: N/A
Height: 152 cm (60 inches)
Width: 66 cm (26 inches)
Year: circa 1820

Reputedly made for General Guillaume Brune's Embassy to Constantinople in 1804/5. The French Embassy in Constantinople, the Palais de France, had in fact been taken over by the British and Lord Elgin was happily ensconced there, the General initially using the Venetian Ambassador's residence for his Embassy, which began in 1802. These panels were reputedly woven when the Gobelins workshop re-opened after the Revolution in 1804