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**A REMARKABLE PAIR OF DISPLAY CABINETS BY
HENRI PICARD OF PARIS**

Dimensions: H: 71 in / 179 cm | W: 45.5 in / 115 cm | D: 14 in / 35 cm

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Constructed in mahogany, with extensive and superlative ormolu decoartion. The cabinets of rectangular form, rising from turned and tapering toupie feet supporting an inverted breakfront lower tier, the shaped aprons housing three lockable drawers and incorporating gilt bronze mounts in the manner of Riesener. The square tapering legs decorated in conforming ormolu of the highest quality, and flanking a central cartouche depicting a lyre. The central vitrine lockable doors enclosing shelved mirrored interiors, their pediments decorated with scrolling bronze mounts below ormolu-balustrated galleries. The mounts bearing the maker's mark of Henri Picard, "HPR." Retailed by Wilkinson & Son of 8 Old Bond Street.

French, Circa 1870

Literature:

Henri Picard, a notable fondeur and doreur, is recorded as working in Paris from 1831 to 1864, from 6 rue Jarente and later at 10 rue de la Perle.



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Their work was highly regarded by the Emperor Napoleon the Third, and they supplied furniture to his apartments in Fontainebleau, now on exhibit in the Louvre.