



The Vegetables: Bowling Game Circa 1860



3 800 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Parfait état

Description

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Painted and varnished papier-mâché bowling game. It is formed by 9 skittles 30 cm high with figures in the shape of vegetables and a cabbage-shaped box 36 cm in diameter. A loose leaf on the face of the cabbage acts as a cover. Personified vegetables were a fashionable subject around 1850, after the publication of the book *The Empire of Vegetables* by Nus and Meray illustrated by A Varin. A book in the style of Grandville which recounts the memories of Cucurbitus I, a squash man in a world of animated vegetables. Extremely rare museum piece.

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