

PAIR OF 19TH CENTURY FRENCH PENDANT CAT OIL ON CANVAS PAINTINGS SIGNED A. PERNOT

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This charming pair of antique French paintings, executed circa 1860, depicts intimate interior scenes of cats and kittens brought to life with expressive brushwork and a warm, naturalistic palette. Each composition captures a distinct moment, one playful and curious with kittens exploring the tiled floor, the other more dramatic with a protective mother cat confronting her young, creating a compelling narrative contrast when displayed together. Conceived as pendants, the two compositions are designed to complement one another, both visually and thematically. Both works are signed A. Pernot and reflect the enduring appeal of 19th century French animalier painting, where everyday domestic subjects were rendered with sensitivity and character. The artist demonstrates a confident handling of texture and light, particularly in the softness of the fur and the subtle tonal shifts of the interior setting, lending depth and atmosphere to each scene. The paintings are presented in their original richly carved giltwood frames, featuring a continuous foliate and beaded motif that enhances their decorative presence. This antique pair is in excellent condition commensurate with age and use and would make a striking addition to a study, hallway, or salon-style wall arrangement. Dimensions of each: 30.75"W x 26.5"H

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