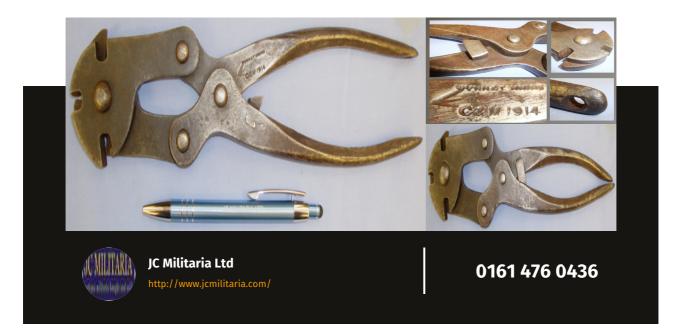
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Description

A wire cutter used by British troops in WWI, this example has steel handles and are designed to slip into a pocket or bag. Wire cutters were typically stored for easy access on a utility belt or in a bag. Barbed wire posed a significant obstacle to attacking troops: it slowed or prevented progress across the battle field and made soldiers easy targets while they were tangled or being cut free. 'Wiring parties' of engineers were tasked with cutting through barbed wire blockades, often at night, working silently to avoid detection. Measuring 27 ½ cm in length this example works effortlessly and silently. They are all steel construction and have a hole to one arm to attach a rope or belt for easy access. One arm is stamped 'Wynn & Timmins- C&M 1914' (Wynn, Timmins and Co. Birmingham tool manufacturers) with a Broad Arrow. A very nice fully working example. The price includes UK delivery. MISC 921.

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