FEBRUARY 2025 SALES LIST

As the country's leading specialist in supplying quality items to discerning collectors, investors, and shooters of antique and vintage arms we take pleasure in presenting our latest sales listing. On these pages you will find one of the best selections available. We are confident that this list offers the best value in the country, where you will find quality items, cheaper than encountered at arms fairs and with other dealers. We are full time professionals, not Arms Fair part timers who like to make a big profit at your cost. To survive we have to deal with people fairly and more than just once.

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On this list we feature a number of items reduced to clear, offering you the opportunity of a New Year's bargain.

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Reduced Pistols

A SUPERB .650" FLINTLOCK OFFICERS PISTOL BY COLLINS OF VIGO LANE, with 9" sighted browned Damascus octagonal barrel, top flat inscribed "COLLINS 12 VIGO LANE, LONDON", swivel rammer hinged at muzzle, foliate engraved lock with sunburst decoration and signed "COLLINS / LONDON", bolt safety on tail, pigeon breasted swan-neck cock, Vee shaped waterproof pan, roller to frizzen. Full walnut stock with chequered grip, the wrist with inset silver escutcheon. Iron trigger-guard with engraved and decorated bow, pineapple finial. James Collins succeeded the Wilson Gun Repository at 12 Vigo Land around 1825. This pistol in excellent condition with fine untouched stock, barrel professionally rebrowned and looking good, an attractive and superb piece, difficult to better and at a bargain price.





A .75" (MUSKET BORE) PATTERN 1796 HEAVY DRAGOON FLINTLOCK SERVICE PISTOL with 9" barrel struck with the Ordnance proofs, the borderline engraved lock of rounded form engraved 'TOWER' on the tail and bearing the Crown G.R. cypher to the centre, swan-neck cock, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock, bag shaped grip, brass mounts including trigger-guard, 'S' shaped sideplate and the distinctive double rammer pipe with spring to hold its original steel rammer. This pattern of pistol was specially produced for issue to all heavy cavalry regiments who carried them during and after the Napoleonic wars. In very good condition with excellent sharp and untouched stock, the barrel to a pleasing grey / brown patina. A good example of a rare sought after and historic pistol. (87/24)





A GOOD .65" FLINTLOCK NEW LAND 1st TYPE SERVICE PISTOL CIRCA 1806, , 9" barrel with baluster turned breech and stamped with the kings proofs, swivel rammer hinged at muzzle, the pistol is fitted with what expert authorities on the subject believe is the 1st Pattern New Land flat pistol lock it is stamped 'TOWER' on the tail and bears the Crown G.R. cypher to the centre together with the small inspection stamp, raised semi-waterproof pan and ring neck cock, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock the grip with a good storekeepers stamp dated 1806 and bearing numerous other inspection marks. This is an early New Land flintlock pistol dated 1806 and very possibly a Peninsular issue pistol. In very good condition with excellent untouched stock, lock to a grey patina, barrel to a grey patina with some speckling. A good genuine and un-got at pistol, for the Napoleonic wars collector. (86/24)



A. 65" FLINTLOCK PATTERN 1829 CUSTOMS / COASTGUARD PISTOL BY BARNETT CIRCA 1830,

4 ½" London proofed barrel with top flat, swivel rammer hinged to muzzle, Paget style bevelled, stepped and bolted lock with makers name 'BARNETT', raised semi waterproof pan, roller to frizzen spring, ring neck cock, full stocked with regulation style brass mounts. The first mention of this type of pistol occurs in official records in 1829 and is described as the 'Pattern of Short Pistol for Revenue Service', cost of manufacture is given as £1.10.00. Identical pistols together with short muskets for the Customs were also obtained from Barnett, see 'Arms of the Customs Service by H. L. Blackmore'. Journal of the Arms & Armour Society, September 1996, where similar pistols are illustrated and detailed. In very good condition with good stock, small chip toe leading edge of left forend, barrel rebrowned showing the attractive twist pattern. (92/24)





A .65" FLINTLOCK CONSTABULARY PISTOL BY J. THOMSON PROBABLY TO EDINBURGH POLICE CIRCA 1820, with 5" round barrel the top engraved 'MAKER TO HIS MAJESTY', and fitted with a swivel rammer hinged to muzzle, bevelled stepped and bolted locks with raised semi-waterproof pan, roller to frizzen spring, the centre of the lockplate engraved with the makers name 'J. THOMSON, EDINBURGH', full stocked with brass mounts the fore-end with brass reinforcing plates. This style of pistol follows the general pattern accepted for police service and was probably acquired for the Edinburgh Police that were being re-organised into a professional body in 1817 some 12 years before the famous London Peelers. The maker John Thomson had been apprenticed to James Innes whose business he took over, both Innes and Thomson gained the royal warrant as Gunmakers to His Majesty' indicative that they were capable of the highest standards. Thomson was a highly respected Edinburgh Burgess and the main gunmaker in the city, consequently, would have been asked to supply pistols to the newly formed Edinburgh Police. The pistol is very good condition with good stock having some minor wear commensurate with use, barrel to an honest grey, brown patina, can be supplied as a pair with the above. (90/24)









A GOOD .65" EAST INDIA COMPANY PATTERN 1843 PERCUSSION TROOPERS PISTOL having a 9" barrel, with swivel rammer hinged at muzzle, borderline engraved side-action lock engraved with the E.I.C. rampant lion cypher to the centre, full brass mounted walnut stock, heavy flat butt-cap with lanyard ring, This big solider proof and practical pistol was made for issue to E.I.C cavalry and horse artillery in the 1840's seeing action and use in all major campaigns into the 1860's, including the Sikh wars, Indian Mutiny and the numerous minor campaigns. As well as being issued to E.I.C. Cavalry and Horse Artillery some were also issued to Imperial regiments that served in India. Approximately 18,145 were produced between 1843 and 1852, the majority were issued to the Bengal army with a smaller quantity issued to the Bombay Presidency army, none were issued in Madras. In very good condition with good sharp stock, barrel to a blue / grey patina, a good and above average specimen of a very historic pistol.





A GOOD 28-BORE PERCUSSION TARGET PISTOL BY THOMAS LEE, CIRCA 1840, with 8" browned twist octagonal sighted barrel engraved 'LONDON', along the top flat and 'WIRE TWISTED' along the bottom flat, foliate engraved breech with inset white platinum lines and plug to bolster, borderline engraved tang with vee back-sight and decorated with foliate scrollwork. Borderline engraved curved detented back-action lock decorated with foliate engraved scrollwork and signed with makers name 'THOM'S LEE / LONDON', dolphin headed hammer engraved en suite. Figured half-stock with chequered rounded butt, blued trigger-guard engraved to match the lock and with pineapple finial, diamond shaped white metal butt-cap, the wrist with white metal escutcheon engraved with owners' monogram 'J.U.' and dated 1840, white metal barrel bolt escutcheons and nose-cap, blued adjustable set trigger, and original steel tipped ebony loading rod. In very good plus condition, good stock, some wear to chequering, fading finish to barrel. An attractive and well above average specimen. (100/23)





A GOOD CASED .36" TRANSITIONAL BAR HAMMER PERCUSSION REVOLVER, 5" Birmingham proofed octagonal barrel, six shot cylinder with decorated leading edge and radial nipples, foliate engraved iron frame, bar hammer engraved to match, two piece finely chequered walnut grips with foliate engraved buttcap. The pistol is contained in its original red velvet lined and partitioned oak case, accessories include nipple key, pincer mould with loading rammer, replacement flask and pewter oil bottle. The revolver in very good plus condition with large amounts of case colours remaining, the case with good lining and solid partitions, a good well above average cased transitional revolver. (BMC 28/24)









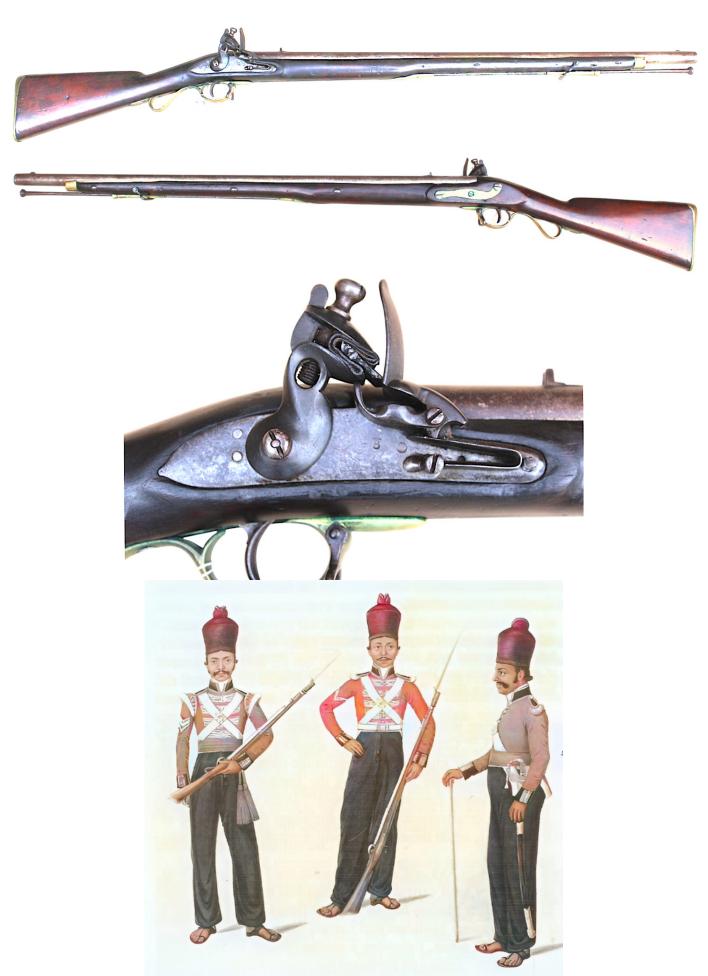
A GOOD CASED .32" RIMFIRE MOORE'S PATENT TEAT-FIRE FRONT LOADING REVOLVER, CIRCA 1865, 3 ¼" round sighted barrel, marked 'MOORE'S PAT. FIRE-ARMS CO, BROOKLYN N.Y.', plain six shot cylinder marked 'D. WILLIAMSON'S PATENT / JAN. 5, 1864', foliate engraved silver-plated brass frame, spur trigger, two-piece walnut grips. The Moore teat-fire revolver was produced 1864 to 1870 with a total quantity of 30,000, the system was an attempt to circumvent the Rollin White patent for the through bored cylinder the rights owned by Smith & Wesson. The Moore was one of the most successful competitors to Smith & Wesson, it is believed that their strong sales with a range of products was one of the reasons for Colt's purchase of the National Arms Company (Moore's successor). At least six distinct variations of the Moore revolver are known, this is an early example numbered in the 30XX serial it is contained in its original red velvet lined and partitioned mahogany case with cartridge tray for 21 rounds. The revolver is in very good condition, the barrel to a blue / grey patina, much deep blue to cylinder and a large percentage of silver plating to frame, the case and lining in good condition, action slightly A/F Cased Moore's revolvers are exceptionally scarce. (BMC 29/24)





Reduced Longarms

A RARE .750" EAST INDIA COMPANY PATTERN 1832 FLINTLOCK SERGEANT'S OR HAVILDARS FUSIL OF MUSKET BORE, with 33" London Gunmakers proofed barrel fitted with fixed Vee rearsight, the lock of Bakers Pattern 1819 type struck with the rampant lion cypher to the centre and EIC inspection stamp, fitted with bun-nut retained ringneck cock and tall slim frizzen, raised semi-waterproof pan. Regulation brass mounted full walnut stock of New Land style with scroll trigger-guard. This pattern of musket bore fusil was approved in 1832 after the suggestion of Major Bonner the E.I.C. Inspector of Military Stores. It was to replace carbine bore fusils in Company service with a view to provide uniformity of ammunition in infantry service and aligning with a decision recently taken by the Royal Service in 1830. The fusil is modelled on the British Pattern 1832 Musket Bore New Land Sergeant Short Musket with some minor differences the most notable being the lock. Production commenced in 1832 and ceased in 1839 with a total production of 20,825 stand of arms, issues were made to the armies of the Bombay, Bengal and Madras Precedency's. The new arm was approved by the military authorities of all three who considered it a very handy weapon and "altogether of a very superior description of small arm". In very good overall condition for an EIC musket, good untouched stock with faint EIC roundel to butt, some wear and losses to forend, barrel to a grey / brown patina. A rare collectors musket for those with an interest in the EIC and the British in India. £850



An illustration showing 3 Sepoys, the Havildar with a short musket of this type and the Sepoy armed with a Bakers Pattern 1819 musket.

A .65" LOVELL'S PATTERN 1844 PERCUSSION YEOMANRY CARBINE, with 20" fully Ordnance marked and proofed barrel, fixed vee sight, and swivel rammer hinged to muzzle, Lovell's Pattern 1842 side-action lock engraved with the Tower Crown V.R. cypher dated 1847. Full walnut stock with regulation brass mounts, scroll trigger guard, side rib and ring, the butt with broad arrow 'B.O.' ownership stamp. This pattern of carbine was designed by George Lovell for issue to Britain's volunteer county Yeomanry Cavalry regiments, who in 1844 numbered approx. 14,000, records are a little confusing as to how many were made and indeed what arms were issued to the various Yeomanry regiments. At least 5000 of these carbines were produced possibly more, most encountered tend to be dated 1844 but some specimens such as this example are dated 1847. It seems that production stopped in that year and attention given to the manufacture and issue of Percussion Paget carbines. The Pattern 1844 Yeomanry carbine is basically a reduced version of the 2nd Model Victoria and certainly a more manageable and practical arm for a mounted man. In very good condition with good sharp stock, barrel to blue/grey patina, a good example. £695





A .750" PATTERN 1839 2nd TYPE OR PATTERN 1845 EXTRA SERVICE PERCUSSION MUSKET FOR MILITIA, 39" fully Ordnance proofed barrel with block foresight / bayonet lug, the lock of flintlock form and stamped with the TOWER Crown V.R. cypher. Regulation brass mounted full walnut stock and fitted with Lovell's pattern spring bayonet catch, B.O. stamp to right butt. This variation of the Pattern 1839 musket has only recently been identified and termed a Pattern 1845 Extra Service Musket, previously this pattern had been misidentified as a Pattern 1839 musket. (See British Percussion Muskets of the 1830's & 1840's. George Lovell's Legacy. By Adrian Roads). The introduction of the percussion system in to British Military service brought about the obsolescence of the entire reserve of flintlock arms, large quantities of which were on issue to the militia. The militia were usually armed with weapons of cheaper manufacture and the new musket chosen for them was a cheaper version of the Pattern 1839. The difference between them is so minor that in the past there has been no distinction between them, the Pattern 1845 is the more basic of the two. The majority of these Pattern 1845's have no rearsight and they utilize pins to retain the barrel instead of keys and generally the locks are undated, variations can be found in stock furniture. Initial production used up the final reserves of flintlock parts, these included both New Land and India Pattern locks, suitably modified and the tails rounded, old India Pattern barrels and mounts, later production was new made. The first order was placed in October 1844 and the last as late as 1855, with a total production of 205,000. They were not on issue for long and soon replaced with the Pattern 1853 Enfield rifle, like most obsolete service arms at the end of their useful life most were scrapped, the metal parts being recycled and the stocks sold off as firewood. In very good condition with good stock some minor bruising commensurate with use, barrel to a blue / brown patina. A basic item for the British Military collector. (Ex-Museum Collection) £850

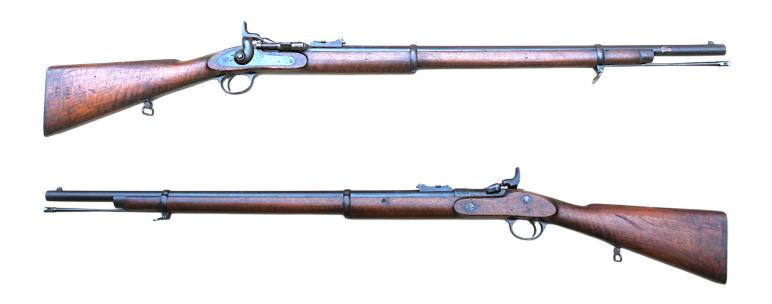


A RARE .577" MABBUTT & MATTHEW PATENT BREECH LOADING SPORTING RIFLE, 21" Birmingham proofed barrel, bead foresight set in a dovetailed block, leaf backsights, the breech block inscribed, 'T. MABBUT MATHEWS PATENT NO 17', and with a crest of a lion rampant holding an 'MM' monogram between its paws the breech shoe stamped 'H.B. 2' within an oval. Foliate engraved lock signed with the retailers name 'HEWSON' to the centre. Iron mounted figured walnut half stock with chequered wrist and forend. The action features a hinged breech block that pivots over the top of the barrel, opening the breech for loading and activating the extractors claws for ejecting a spent case, when closed down it is locked in place by a second block hinged on a longitudinal pin at the back of the breech block. On firing an ordinary external hammer strikes an inclined pin running through the breech block, similar to the Snider. The system was designed by W. J. Matthews and patented by him in August 1867 Patent No 2477, the manufacturer was Thomas Mabbutt (1867-1872) of Shadwell St. Birmingham, who advertised as the sole manufacturer of the Mabbutt-Matthews Breech Loading action which could be supplied to the trade for conversions of muzzle loading arms. The original retailer of the rifle was George Hewson of Exeter (1843-1870). In 1872 Thomas Mabbutt became managing director of the Abingdon Gun Works. Bearing the low serial number 17 this example of the Mabbutt & Mathews breech loading system is amongst the first made and in 1867. In very good condition with good stock, barrel and action with fading finish.





A GOOD 577" SNIDER / ENFIELD MK III TWO BAND SERVICE SHORT RIFLE BY B.S.A. 1872. AND MARKED TO THE BRITISH COLUMBIA GARRISON ARTILLERY, with 30 ½" barrel rifled with 5 grooves, profusely Ordnance marked at breech, ladder rearsight, bayonet lug at muzzle. Lockplate marked with the Crown "V.R." on the tail and "B.S.A Co. 1872" to the centre. Regulation iron mounted full walnut stock the right butt stamped with the Birmingham Ordnance 1st class roundel, and "B.C.G.A. / 445" a Canadian militia regiment issue marking for the British Columbia Garrison Artillery. The Canadians issued short rifles to the majority of their artillery units and not carbines. The Mk III Snider was a new made arm and not a conversion, its improvements over the Mk II includes a positive bolt locked breech and a steel barrel. The Snider Short Rifle was produced for issue to Sergeants of Infantry and Rifle Regts, the British War Department gifted 40,000 Snider rifles and carbines to Canada due to fear of an American invasion. Canada being frugal in its military expenditure retained the Snider in service until replaced by the .303" Lee Enfield In very good condition some bruising to the stock, fading blue finish to barrel, tight action, and good bore, bayonet lug removed. A good example at a very reasonable price.



A GOOD 11.15 X 58R MODEL 1879 ARGENTINIAN REMINGTON ROLLING BLOCK MILITARY RIFLE, 36" barrel the octagonal breech 'MODEL ARGENTINO 1879 EN' (Ejercito Nacional-National Army), ladder rearsight, long bayonet bar at muzzle, standard Remington Rolling Block action, the tang stamped with the usual Remington Patent legend. Iron mounted two-piece walnut stock. It is not known exactly when Argentina first purchased Rolling Block rifles but is believed to have been around 1874 when it was decided to adopt one military rifle in one calibre, previously there had been a hotch potch of arms on issue resulting in a logistical nightmare. The Modelo 1879 was a custom-made rifle for the Argentinian Army with its own set of specification, Remington records indicate that 50,000 of these rifles were supplied between 1879 and 1882. In very good condition with good untouched stock, barrel and action with fading blue finish, tight action and good bore.

£895



Longarms

A .75" VOLUNTEER PATTERN 1795 INDIA PATTERN FLINTLOCK MUSKET BY THOMAS HENSHAW, with 39" barrel stamped with Tower private proofs and the 'T.H.' mark for Thomas Henshaw, rounded borderline engraved lock engraved with the Crown G.R. cypher to the centre, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock with high comb and handrail stock. The musket was made to the Board of Ordnance's regulation pattern for supply to a volunteer or militia unit during the 1790's and is in very good condition with good untouched stock, barrel and lock to a steel grey patina. £2200



A.75 MODEL 1810 (Type 2) INDIA PATTERN BROWN BESS FLINTLOCK SERVICE MUSKET OF THE NAPOLEONIC WARS, CIRCA 1810, with 39" barrel stamped at the breech with Ordnance proof and inspection stamps, block frontsight / bayonet lug at muzzle, rounded Ordnance pattern borderline engraved lock stamped with the 'TOWER' G.R.' cypher together with the small crown arrow inspection stamp and fitted with the improved and strengthened ring-neck cock, the frizzen has been Ordnance refaced during its working life, indicating it was issued and used probably seeing action. Regulation brass mounted full walnut stock with handrail wrist and high comb. The Pattern 1810 (Type 2) India Pattern was approved in late 1809 and featured a few differences over the earlier Type, 1, one of these being a slight lowering in quality in manufacture for reasons of economy and to speed production. There were three changes to the lock, the cock was made of a more robust shape with a circular opening at the throat (ring-neck) and less likely to break, the shape of the pan was altered, and the lockplate of a flatter form. The lock markings tend to be stamped and not engraved consequently appear slightly cruder. Muskets of this Pattern were first issued to regiments destined for the Peninsular, like the Type 1 it remained in service until the introduction of percussion and seeing service all over the Empire. In very good condition with good stock, quite sharp overall, barrel to a steel grey bright patina. A good collectors specimen and complete with sling swivels. (Ex-Museum Collection). £1895



A FLINTLOCK IRON BARRELLED BLUNDERBUS CIRCA 1810, with 14" stub twist flared iron barrel terminating with a cannon mouth, marked 'LONDON' at the breech, unmarked flat style lock with ring neck-cock, brass mounted walnut stock. An interesting style of blunderbuss, iron barrelled examples are quite rare, in good condition with good stock, barrel has been recoloured in past and looks good, replacement loading rod. £295



A GOOD .650" PATTERN 1817 NEW LAND OFFICER'S CADET FLINTLOCK CARBINE BY BRANDER & POTTS, with 34" sighted barrel stamped with London proofs at breech, flat style New Land pattern lock signed to the centre with the makers name "BRANDER & POTTS", with raised pan and flat ring-neck cock, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock, the buttcap tang engraved with the rack No '5', the stock stamped in various places with the original owners name "H. C. ALGAR". This Pattern was originally approved in 1812 for Gentlemen Cadets of the Royal Military College, but no orders were placed until 1817 when 200 were ordered. The same pattern was apparently also adopted for cadets of the Royal Naval College, Portsmouth and the Marine Society. It is a smaller version of the New Land musket with a barrel of 34", there is also a slight variation in furniture, it is the only gun in the New Land series to have a tail pipe and the barrel is pinned to the stock and not secured by flat keys. In very good plus condition with excellent stock, barrel with a fading brown finish. A good collector's item at a bargain price.









A SUPERB .650" NEW LAND STYLE IRISH CONSTBULARY TYPE FLINTLOCK CARBINE BY M & J PATTISON OF DUBLIN, CIRCA 1830 with 22" browned and sighted Damascus barrel stamped 'DUBLIN', hook breech with fixed vee rear-sight on the tang, flat style lock with bevelled edges and stepped tail, bearing makers name 'M & J PATTISON' to the centre, raised semi-waterproof pan. Roller to frizzen spring and fitted with a ring-neck cock. Regulation brass mounted three quarter walnut New Land style stock with rectangular patchbox to butt, the ramrod with swell and of New Land type. The makers were Mark & John Pattison who continued the business of their father Thomas Pattison, they were established at 17 Crampton Quay later renamed 18 Crampton Court 1829 to 1853. Similar carbines to this were supplied to the authorities by W & J Rigby, most know examples were officially modified and fitted with an unusual form of offset swivel rammer. To the best of my knowledge this is one of very few examples in its original configuration, it is also interesting in that M & J Pattison contracted to supply Rigby. The carbine is in near excellent condition with fine untouched stock, barrel with original fading brown finish, a superior example for the collector of arms with Irish provenance and a credit to any collection.





A .65" PATTERN 1837 STYLE YEOMANRY OR VOLUNTEER CAVALRY PERCUSION CARBINE BY DICKENSON OF LONDON CIRCA 1840, with 21" London proofed barrel fitted with a swivel rammer hinged at muzzle, the lock of flintlock form and signed to the centre with the makers name "DICKENSON LONDON", regulation brass mounted full walnut stock. An interesting carbine possibly part of a private purchase by a yeomanry or volunteer cavalry unit, in very good plus condition with excellent untouched stock, the barrel to a blue / grey patina. A good, genuine and attractive collectors carbine.





A FINE OFFICERS .65" DOUBLE BARRELLED RIFLED CARBINE OF CAPE MOUNTED RIFLES TYPE BY J. BEATTIE OF LONDON. with 25" twist barrels each rifled with 4 broad groves and signed with makers name J. Beattie on the top rib. Swivel rammer hinged at muzzle. Good quality figured walnut stock fitted with regulation brass mounts including a scroll trigger guards. Border engraved backaction locks with makers name to centre. A similar carbine to this was adopted for issue to the Cape Mounted Rifles in 1854, The maker J Beattie was established at 205 Regent St. London 1848-63 during the period when this rifle was made. A fine rifle probably made for an officer destined to the colonies. In excellent condition with fine stock, barrels professionally rebrowned and looking good, superb bores.







A SUPERB .577" PERCSSION SPORTING RIFLE BY PRITCHETT & SON, LONDON, with 23.5" browned twist London proofed barrel, rifled with a form of polygonal rifling similar to Whitworth, top flat inscribed 'PRITCHETT & SON, 7 POULTRY ST. LONDON', the rearsight comprising a short, fixed vee and a ladder graduated to 1,000 yards, scroll engraved hook breech, the nipple bolster with platinum vent plug, detented lock profusely decorated with acanthus scrolls to the highest quality and signed with the makers name 'PRITCHETT & SON', single set trigger, figured walnut stock with chequered wrist and forend, foliate engraved iron mounts, horn nosecap, brass tipped ebonised wooden loading rod with concealed worm. The rifle dates the late 1850's and is very similar to the famed Daw-Jacobs sporting rifle, only the form of rifling tells it apart. The makers were father and son Richard Ellis Pritchett and Robert Taylor Pritchett. A rifle that has seen very little use and survived the passage of time in excellent condition with fine untouched stock, barrel professionally rebrowned at some time in the distant past, excellent bright sharp bore, fading case colours to lock. A terrific piece. (Ex-Museum Collection)



A FINE .451" PERCUSSION SPORTING / TARGET RIFLE BY ROBERTSON, with 33.5" heavy browned octagonal Birmingham proofed barrel, fitted with Lewes type target sights with element formed by the gap between two opposed baffles, screw adjustable ladder rearsight, hook breech, the nipple bolster with gold vent plug. Borderline engraved detented lock with some scroll decoration, signed to the centre 'ROBERTSON', iron mounted figured walnut half-stocked with chequered wrist and forend, horn nosecap, trigger guard with chequered finger scroll and pineapple finial, brass tipped wooden ram rod with concealed worm. A quality and superb rifle in excellent condition fine stock with some minor bruises commensurate with use, barrel with much brown from old refinish and looking good. A credit to any collection. (Ex-Museum Collection)



A 12 BORE PERCUSSION SPORTING GUN BY W. BRADY, 28" two stage octagonal to round barrel, foliate engraved backaction lock inscribed with retailers name 'W. BRADY', iron mounted walnut half stock with chequered wrist and white metal nosecap, complete with wooden loading rod. In very good condition, good stock, barrel with fading brown finish.





A .577" PATTERN 1856 TWO BAND VOLUNTEER PERCUSSION SHORT RIFLE BY R. T. PRITCHETT, 33" London proofed barrel rifled with 3 grooves inscribed 'LONDON' at the breech, fitted with ladder rearsight and barleycorn foresight, bayonet lug at muzzle, standard Pattern 1853 style lock with double borderline engraving and signed with makers name 'R. T. PRITCHETT'. Iron mounted full walnut stock. A good Pattern 1856 volunteer short rifle by one of the periods noted makers who also with William Ellis Metford designed the British service Minie' bullet for which he received a grant of £1000. On retirement Robert Taylor Pritchett took up art and became painter in watercolours to Queen Victoria. In very good plus condition with good untouched stock, barrel with fading blue finish. (Ex-Museum Collection)



A .656" PATTERN 1859 ENFIELD NATIVE INFANTRY THREE BAND PERCUSSION MUSKET, 39" barrel of .656" calibre with full Enfield proof and inspection stamps, fixed vee rear sight, standard Enfield style lock stamped with the Crown V.R. cypher dated 1864. Regulation brass mounted full walnut stock, butt with feint Enfield roundel to butt. This is one of only 14,000 Pattern 1859 Native Infantry Muskets made at the Royal Small Arms Factory Enfield. Approved by the Ordnance authorities on 7th May 1859 as an improvement on the Pattern 1858 musket. The main difference being the P59 has a slightly thicker and heavier barrel; it was found that the thinner and weaker barrel of the P58 was liable to bend with bayonet use. Although approved in 1858 no appreciable quantities were produced at the Enfield factory until 1864 and only 14,000 were manufactured.

The P59 was one of a family of smoothbore Enfield's produced for issue to Sepoy regiments in the East India Governments army. After the mutiny of 1857 it was decided that native regiments be armed with inferior weapons to the P53 of the British regulars. This musket made at Enfield in 1864 was shipped to India and issued to a sepoy regiment in the Bengal army. It is one of approx. 200 acquired by Walter Clode of Westley Richards from the family of the Maharajah of Faridkot in 1992. The Maharajah had a large armoury of weapons left over from the days when his family had its own private army allowed by and in support of the British East India Government. Walter Clode was an old friend of the Maharaja and in previous years had purchased large quantities of various arms from the family armoury, the 1992 batch was the last. In the heyday of the Raj, the then Maharajah of Faridkot who was a Sikh ruled his domain in the Punjab under the control of the East India Government. He was allowed a small army to maintain order and provide employment. This P59 was undoubtedly one of a quantity supplied to him from E.I.G store when obsolete from Government service. This musket and all the others I have seen from the same source show signs of having been refurbished in the distant past, I suspect this was carried out at the Maharajahs armouries The last Maharaja was a personal friend of Walter Clode the then owner of Westley Richards & Co. the Maharaja died in 1989. Following his death there followed a long battle over his estate from 1993 to 2013 and I believe it is still on going. This is a rare gun and in very good plus condition with much deep blue, good bore, good stock with some minor loss of sharpness. Serious black powder shooters consider the P59 to be the most accurate of all percussion muskets due to it reduced calibre and it high quality of manufacture, barrel boring and finishing. (Ex-Museum Collection)

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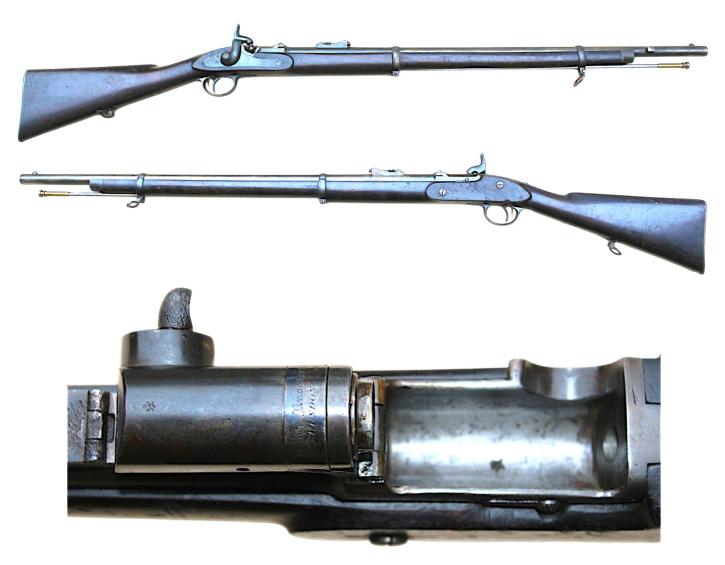


A 30 BORE (539") CALISHER & TERRY CAPPING BREECH LOADING MILITARY PATTERN CARBINE CIRCA 1863, with 21" barrel rifled with 5 grooves, fitted with Pattern 1861 ladder rearsight, stamped at breech "Terry's patent 30 Bore", and along the barrel 'MAKERS TO H. M. War DEPARTMENT', Iron mounted full walnut sock fitted with sling swivels, the butt-cap with trap, The lock engraved with the makers details 'CALISHER & TERRY / LONDON'. The carbine is numbered 5798 dating it to approximately 1863 and is in a serial range of Terry carbines supplied to New South Wales for issue to the mounted police and New Zealand during the Māori Wars, where they saw extensive service. The makers Calisher & Terry were in existence 1857 to 1869 when they were declared bankrupt. It is estimated production totalled approx. 14,500 for the commercial market with a further 1000 or so for the Ordnance in a separate serial range. The bulk of production was the military carbine model like this. (For further information see The Calisher & Terry in British & Colonial Service by Brian C. Knapp). The capping breech loader was a very practical arm and still in extensive use until almost the end of the 19th century. In out of the way locations cartridges could be hard to come by and expensive, whereas powder, caps and lead could be had from many trading stores. The capping breech loader could also be used as a muzzle-loader in emergency. The Westley Richards Monkey Tail was still in production well into the 1880's. In Very Good Condition. with good stock, barrel and action to a pleasing blue grey patina. A Desirable collectors carbine. £1195





A RARE .577" MONT STORM PATENT CAPPING BREECH LOADING TWO BAND VOLUNTEER RIFLE, with 32" barrel, rifled with 5 grooves, ladder rearsight and bayonet lug at muzzle, the underside of the breech block marked with patent legend, the lock plain and unmarked, regulation iron mounted full walnut stock. The system was the invention of William Mongomery Storm an American and is a variation of the age-old chamber loading system, a company was set up in Britain to manufacture and market arms of this type, the Mont Storm Gun Works of 33 Constitution Hill, also a London agency at 3 Rood Lane. The system achieved some sales success and was initially adopted by the War Department as the means of converting service Enfield rifles to breech loading, due to failures, the Snider conversion system was adopted in its place. The rifle is in very good condition, good stock, barrel and action to a blue grey patina, tight action and good bore. For more information on the Mont Storm and other capping breech loaders see The Capping Breech Loader in British and Colonial Service.



A GOOD .577" SINIDER MK III, 3 BAND SERVICE RIFLE BY B.S.A CO 1871 AND MARKED TO THE TASMANIAN GOVERNMENT, 36" fully ordnance marked barrel rifled with 3 grooves, fitted with barleycorn foresight and ladder rearsight, the lock stamped with the Crown V.R. cypher on the tail and 'B.S.A. Co / 1871' together with the small crown broad arrow government inspection ownership mark. Regulation brass mounted full walnut stock the butt stamped with the Birmingham W.D. roundel, the buttcap tang engraved 'T.G. / 79'. In very good plus condition with good sharp untouched stock, barrel with fading blue finish, tight action and excellent bore, complete with rod and sling swivels.



A .577" SNIDER/ENFIELD Mk II** 2 BAND SERVICE RIFLE MARKED TO NEW ZEALAND, 30½" barrel rifled with 5 grooves, full Ordnance proofs at breech and ladder sight, bayonet lug at muzzle, Mk II** breech bearing New Zealand issue and ownership marks 'N. Z. / 7/ 174'. The lock stamped with the crown V.R. B.S.A. Co. cypher date 1865, regulation iron mounted full walnut stock bearing various W.D. markings. The rifle was originally a muzzle loading P61 short rifle made by B.S.A. under W.O. contract in 1865 and converted to Snider breech loader 1868 at Enfield it was later one of a quantity supplied to New Zealand during the later stages of the Māori Wars probably during the Te Kooti campaign. The rifle is in very good condition with good stock, fading blue finish to barrel, tight action and good bore.



A GOOD .577" SNIDER MK III SPORTING RIFLE BY E. WHISTLER OF LONDON, with 23" barrel rifle with 5 grooves, engraved at breech 'E. WHISTLER, 11 STRAND, LONDON', with leaf rear sights to 300 yards, (300-yard leaf missing). The rifle has been professionally fitted with target sight including a vernier tang sight and tunnel foresight, and has the improved Mk III positive bolt locked breech, foliate engraved side action lock with makers name to centre 'E. Whistler'. Iron mounted figured walnut half-stock with chequered wrist and forend, horn nose cap. In near excellent condition with fine sharp stock, barrel with fading blue finish, sharp bright bore and tight action. An above average specimen.



A .43" EGYPTIAN CONTARCT MODEL 1867 REMINGTON ROLLING BLOCK RIFLE, 33" barrel with bayonet bar at muzzle, ladder sight, numerous Farsi markings at breech. Two-piece iron mounted walnut stock, forend secured with 3-barrel bands. Egypt ordered Rolling Block rifles and carbines in 1868 after Sam Remington demonstrated the system to the Khedive. Deliveries were not made until 1873, as the first shipments were diverted to France who found itself short of arms on the outbreak of the Franco Prussian War. These Egyptian Rolling Block rifles certainly enjoyed a colourful history, cutting a path to glory over the Middle East. Egyptian contingents assisted Turkey during the Russo-Turkish war; the Remington's were used to great success during the Abyssinian campaigns of the late 1870's. It was also the weapon of the army of Hicks Pasha whose force was wiped out by fanatical Sudanese Dervishes followers of the Mahdi. The captured Remington's then used at Khartoum in 1885 against General Gordon. In very good condition, better than most as these guns had a hard life. Good stock, some bruising commensurate with use, metal work to grey patina, tight action, good bore. A piece of history.



AN 11mm BELGIAN SERVICE ISSUE MODEL 1853/1867 BRAENDLIN ALBINI RIFLE, 33" barrel, ladder sights, full walnut stock fitted with iron mounts including 3-barrel bands, back action lock. The system features a forward hinging breech block containing an inline striker, driven by a plunger running through the fixed breech and linked to the hammer. It is basically an upgrade of the improved Mont Storm rifle, patented by A. F. Braendlin who was the manager of the Mont Storm Gun Works in Birmingham and later the proprietor of the Braendlin Armoury. The other patentee was Augusto Albini an Italian Naval Officer 1830-1909 who later became an Admiral. Albini was already well known for his inventions in the weapons field. The system is strong and simple and in its British form elegant and far superior to the Snider, capable of a rate of fire of 12 to 15 rounds a minute. Originally the M67 was produced as a conversion of the Model 53 percussion service rifle, newly manufacture arms were made from 1873. The Belgian Braendlin was never saw conflict in Europe being superseded in 1889 by the 1889 Mauser. It was used successfully in various small campaigns in Africa, in 1914 many were brought out of store in 1914 to see service against German Colonial forces in the Belgian Congo. It is recorded that even as late as 1907 when slavery had supposed to have ended, a rifle of this type could be traded for 8 to 12 slaves, whereas a percussion weapon was only 4, but a Mauser was 15 to 30. In very good condition with good stock barrel to steel grey patina, (They were finished bright), very good bore. A good piece. £696





A 10.4mm SWISS MODEL 1871 VETTERLI BOLT ACTION REPEATING RIFLE, 33" barrel, quadrant rearsight, iron mounted full walnut stock, square cut chequering to forend. The Swiss Vetterli is a very important collectors gun, very advanced for its time, being the first bolt action repeating rifle adopted by any nation. Developed by Professor Friedrich Vetterli who began experimenting with its development in 1866 at SIG Neuhausen. He must be credited, for the system really is a masterpiece of engineering and design. By 1868 he had perfected the design and it was adopted by the Swiss authorities as the standard rifle of its forces, many different models and variations were made. In excellent condition with most blue and excellent stock, good action and mint bore and with correct rod.



AN 11MM MODEL 1867 AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN WERNDLE INFANTRY RIFLE, 33" barrel rifled with 6 grooves, fitted with ladder rearsight, bayonet lug at muzzle, backaction lock, iron mounted full walnut stock. The Werndle featured a rotary drum style breech block and was designed by Joseph Werndle head of the technical department of the Steyr factory, although a strong action it was not without its problems. The main fault being that the drum-breech proved to be very susceptible to fouling, becoming increasingly difficult to operate until it jammed, the system was later modified. The rifle is in very good condition, good stock, barrel and action to a steel grey patina, good action and bore.



AN 11mm MAUSER MODEL 1871/84 BOLT ACTION SERVICE RIFLE, the 71/84 was the first Mauser and German issue repeating rifle, most were not issued or saw very little use due to the introduction of the 1888 commission rifle, although some were issued to reserve units during W.W.I. This example made at Spandau in 1887 and fully Ordnance marked and with regimental markings on the butt-cap tang, 'GRJ. 1. 60', In good condition, the stock, with some bruising commensurate with use, barrel with fading blue finish, good bore and action, numbers not matching, but priced to sell. £650



AN 11mm DUTCH BEAUMONT VITALI MODEL 1871/88 BOLT ACTION SERVICE RIFLE, 33" barrel fitted with elevating sight, regulation iron mounted full walnut stock. The M71/88 was a conversion of the M71 Beaumont rifle into a repeater by the addition of the Vitali 4 round box magazine, Conversions began in 1888, at this date It was already obsolete, the French Lebel rifle was introduced in 1886, the first small calibre smokeless rifle adopted by any nation, it indicated the way forward. Nevertheless the Beaumont-Vitali remained in service until the turn of the century. One of the Unique features of the Beaumont was the arrangement of a flat mainspring housed in the bolt handle to drive the striker. In very good condition with good stock, barrel to a blue patina, good bore and action.



A RARE 8mm PORTUGUESE KROPATSCHEK MODEL 1885 BOLT ACTION SHORT RIFLE, 26" barrel, with under barrel tubular magazine, made at Steyr and bearing the Portuguese Royal crest, iron mounted full walnut stock. The Kropatschek was the first small calibre repeating rifle adopted by any country, the standard infantry model had a 32" barrel, and the rare short rifle such as this a 26" barrel of which only 49,000 were produced. In very good condition fading blue to barrel, good bore, some wear to stock commensurate with use. Above average for one of these.



with 30" barrel fitted with dovetailed blade foresight and ladder rearsight graduated to 1600 metres. engraved at the breech with the Mauser legend in Turkish script together with the Sultans Tughra dated 1888, fitted with 8 round tubular underbarrel magazine, iron mounted full walnut stock with two-barrel bands the top band with bayonet lug. The Turkish M1887 Mauser is a refinement of the M1871/84 German Mauser. This model of rifle fired the smallest calibre black powder military cartridge adopted by any nation. Its 9.5 x 60R cartridge represents what is regularly referred to as the epitome of black powder cartridge design. Unfortunately, at the time of its adoption it was already technologically obsolete as all of Europe was racing to re-arm with small calibre smokeless powder cartridge rifles. Turkey contracted for 500,000 but only approx. 200,000+ were supplied as the model was obsolete before the contract was completed. The arms supplied to Turkey bear the Mauser legend inscribed in Turkish and the rearsight is also graduated in Turkish script, this example bears the normal Mauser legend and is graduated in the normal European manner. In very

A GOOD AND RARE 9.5 X 69 MM MODEL 1887 TURKISH MAUSER BOLT ACTION REPEATING RIFLE.

£995

good condition, good stock, barrel and action to a grey / blue patina.



A RARE 11.15 X 86R MANNLICHER MODEL 1886 STRAIGHT PULL AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN SERVICE RIFLE, with 32" barrel fitted with block and blade foresight and quadrant rearsight, iron mounted walnut half-stock. This pattern of rifle was adopted by Austria to replace the single shot Werndle and accepted the same cartridge. It was soon obsolete due to the development of smaller calibres and smokeless cartridges and replaced in Austrian service by the Model 1888 Mannlicher straight pull rifle in 8mm calibre. Most Model 1886 rifles were refurbished and re-barrelled to the new calibre and today are quite rare in the original 11mm calibre. In very good condition, stock with some wear commensurate with use, barrel fading blue finish, good bore and tight action. £850



A GOOD 32/40 MARLIN MODEL 1893 LEVER ACTION RIFLE, 26" round barrel stamped with the usual Marlin patent and address legends, fitted with blade foresight and buckhorn rearsight, full length underbarrel tubular magazine, two-piece walnut stock wit crescent buttplate. The model 1893 was Marlins first rifle chambered for the new smokeless cartridge; many contemporary authorities considered the Marlin M93 superior to the Winchester M94. In very good plus condition, with good untouched stock, barrel and magazine with starting to fade original blue finish, tight action and good bore.



A 310" MARTINI 1st PATTERN AUSTRALIAN CADET RIFLE BY W. W.W. GREENER, 25" barrel with micro adjustable rearsight, Francotti detachable action, rightside stamped "Commonwealth of Australia" and makers name "W.W. GREENER MAKER BIRMINGHAM", on left. In early 20th century Australia moves were made towards the military training of men and boys in a similar fashion to Switzerland. A defence bill was introduced which was to make training compulsory for youths of 12 to 14 junior cadets and 14 to 18 senior cadets and young adults 18 to 20. Before the bill came into force Lord Kitchener visited Australia at request of the Australian Government to make recommendations, Many thousands of these cadet rifle were ordered and started arriving in the country by 1908. During the 2nd World War quantities were issued to the Volunteer Defence Force. In very good condition, good stock, fading blue finish to barrel and action, good action and bore. £695



Flintlock & Percussion Pistols & Revolvers

A GOOD .65" FLINTLOCK OFFICERS PISTOL BY RYAN & WATSON CIRCA 1810, with 9" octagonal barrel, flat bevelled lock with stepped tail, the centre engraved with the makers name 'RYAN & WATSON', raised waterproof pan and roller to frizzen spring iron mounted full walnut stock with rounded bag shaped grip, wooden ramrod. The makers Ryan & Warson were established between 1799 and 1818 at 27 Whittall Street, Birmingham and advertised as 'Manufacturers of fowling pieces, rifle guns, air guns, and pistols of every description. In very good condition with good stock quite sharp and untouched, barrel to a grey patina.



A RARE .65" FLINTLOCK CONSTABULARY OR SERVICE TYPE PISTOL BY BRANDER & POTTS CIRCA 1812, with 6" barrel the top engraved '70 MINORIES LONDON', swivel rammer hinged to muzzle, bevelled lock with stepped tail, bolt safety and raised semi-waterproof pan, stamped with makers name 'BRANDER / & POTTS / 70 MINORIES / LONDON', and fitted with ringneck cock, full stocked with Rigby style fish tail butt, regulation brass mounts and steel ramrod. The makers Brander & Potts established 1802 to 1827 were contractors to the Ordnance and the East India company and producers of quasi military arms such as this which could have been acquired by Constabulary, Postal or Port services. In exceptionally good condition, with excellent untouched stock, barrel and lock to a pleasing grey / brown patina. A better than most specimen.

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A RARE .65" EAST INDIA COMPANY PATTERN 1840 PERCUSSION CAVALRY PISTOL, having a 9" barrel with faint London proofs at breech, brass mounted full walnut stock, lanyard ring to butt and swivel rammer hinged to muzzle, rounded Bakers 1819 style lock plate, markings removed at some time in distant past. This pattern of pistol was an upgrade of the earlier Pattern 1819 flintlock pistol, produced as a percussion model; the same style lock was used only in percussion, known as the "Old series sidelock". In all other respects it was identical, it was a new made weapon using flintlock parts in store and not a conversion, only 2,315 were made in 1840 for issue in the Bombay presidency. No more pistols were ordered until 1843 and from then on production was of the New Series Sidelock. A quantity of these pistols were initially intended for issue to the H.M. 4th Light Dragoons then serving in the Bombay Presidency, however the regiment was called home. The first Bombay cavalry regiment to be issued this pistol were the 3rd Bombay Light cavalry who were reequipped while serving in the Sind campaign under General Napier in 1842, the 4th carried and used them at the battle of Hyderabad. The next regiment to receive an issue was the 2nd Bombay Light Cavalry followed by the 1st Bombay Cavalry a Lancer regiment. During this period, it was normal practice to issue percussion arms first to regiments on active service. This is one of very few known examples of this pattern of pistol. In very good condition with good stock, barrel to a grey / blue patina. £495





A RARE AND INTERESTING .65" FLINTLOCK OFFICERS PISTOL WITH TOP MOUNTED SPRING BAYONET BY CUTLER, 9" Birmingham proofed barrel, fitted with a sprung triangular bayonet and swivel rammer, borderline engraved backaction lock signed with makers name 'CUTLER', regulation brass mounted full walnut stock, This is a very rare and interesting pistol, it is based on the earlier flintlock New Land pistol, but in percussion with a back action lock and fitted with a spring bayonet all unusual features, probably made for a naval officer. The maker was Richard Cutler established at Weaman St. Birmingham as a victualler and gunmaker 1822 to 1858. In very good plus condition, with excellent untouched stock, barrel and lock to a grey patina. £795





A .65" DOUBLE BARRELLED PERCUSSION RIFLED PISTOL BY ASKLY CIRCA 1840'S, with 7" barrels, rifled with five grooves, engraved 'LONDON' on the top rib, borderline engraved side action locks with some foliate engraved decoration and signed 'ASKLY' to the centre, iron mounted full walnut stock with chequered butt. In very good overall condition. £750





A Good .45" PERCUSSION BOXLOCK POCKET PISTOL BY JAMES, having a 4" octagonal sighted barrel, with decorated muzzle, under-rib and swivel rammer, foliate engraved boxlock action with side mounted bun-nut retained hammer, one piece finely chequered walnut grips with domed iron buttcap with trap. In very good condition with excellent grips and fading finish to barrel and action. £450





A GOOD .54" PERCUSSION OVER & UNDER BELT OR HOWDAH PISTOL BY TIPPING & LAWDEN, CIRCA 1855, with 3 ½" barrels the grooved top engraved with makers name 'TIPPING & LAWDEN, the decorated muzzles fitted with a swivel rammer, foliate engraved boxlock action with bun-nut retained hammers engraved to match, the leftside fitted with belt hook, one piece finely chequered walnut butt with engraved ovoid buttcap with trap. An attractive and fairly rare pistol with fading finish, some wear to grips, priced to sell.





A .36" PERCUSSION BIRMINGHAM TRADE BAR HAMMER PEPPERBOX, with 3" barrel clump, vertical nipples, foliate engraved round bodied action, two piece chequered walnut grips. A basic collectors item for those interested in the evolution of revolvers. A little worn overall but not bad and only.

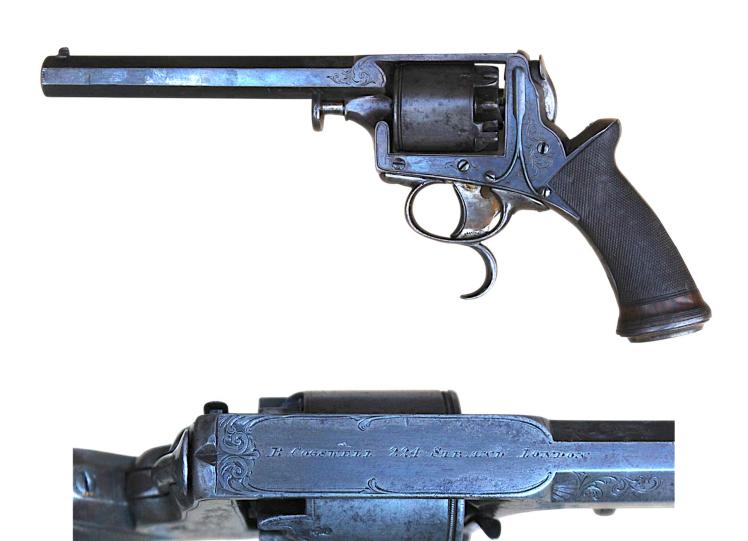
£350





A GOOD 54 BORE TRANTER FIRST MODEL DOUBLE TRIGGER PERCUSSION REVOLVER RETAILED BY B. COGSWELL, 6 ½" octagonal London proofed barrel, top inscribed with retailers details, 'B. COGSWELL, 224 STRAND, LONDON', borderline and foliate engraved frame, marked 'No 49XXT'. Five shot cylinder with rope band decoration to leading edge and Y shaped safety spring on the left, one piece chequered walnut grips, with stepped ovate buttcap. The first model Tranter differs from the later models by not having a rammer attached to the gun like the Model 1851 Adams. Rammers were separate and fitted to the revolver for loading via a peg located at the forward section of the left frame. The 2nd Model Tranter had a rammer that was kept on the gun but could be easily removed by a keyhole slot in the rammer the 3nd and all subsequent models had a rammer permanently fitted to the gun. The 1st and 2nd models were soon surpassed by the improved 3nd and 4th models consequently few were produced, this example dates 1856/57 and is in very good condition with excellent grips, barrel and action to a grey / blue patina, tight action and excellent bore, a good collector's example of a rare British revolver.





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