OCTOBER 2024 CLEARANCE SALES LIST

We are currently awaiting the arrival of a collection good quality British Military longarms that will hopefully arrive in early December to make room for the new arrivals and clear old stock we offer the following items listed below at reduced and very attractive prices. If interested move fast as this list will not be up for long.

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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A Good 50/70 Sharps Model 1867 Metallic Cartridge Conversion Carbine, 22" barrel, with 6 groove rifling, Sharps legend stamped to top, ladder sight, iron mounted two-piece walnut stock. This was originally a New Model 1863 and issued during the Civil War, 65,000 Sharps New Model 63 carbines were supplied by Sharps to the North. 25,000 were converted to metallic cartridge and designated Model 1867. The Sharps Rifle Co carried out the conversions and also refurbished the arms. Many went west during the Indian Wars but and were highly regarded by the troops they were issued to, some preferred them over the Spencer, due to the more powerful cartridge. In the mid to late 1870's most were sold off as surplus and bought by farmers, settlers, and cowboys. In very good condition with fine stock, barrel and action with fading blue and good bore. A truly fine piece and excellent addition to any collection, a piece of Civil War and western history.



A RARE & GOOD .65" FLINTLOCK PATTERN 1799 LIGHT DRAGOON PISTOL OF THE NAPOLEONIC WARS, with 9" barrel baluster turned breech and stamped with the kings proofs, with flat style borderline engraved lock, stamped with the TOWER cypher on the tail, the crown G.R. cypher to the centre and struck with small crown arrow government inspection / ownership mark, fitted with ring-neck cock, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock with short lobed buttcap and 'S' shaped sideplate, trigger-guard and single rammer pipe. The Pattern 1799 Light Dragoon was a war time expedient its departure from the preceding Pattern 1759 Elliot L.D. and 1794 pistols were a slight lowering in quality and the fitting of a flat lock modelled on the East India Company's flat Pattern 1778 pistol lock. Pistols of this type were extensively issued during the Napoleonic Wars but the design was quickly overtaken by the various patterns of New Land with swivel rammer and many were converted, consequently today examples are not so common. In very good plus condition with sharp untouched stock, barrel and lock to a grey / brown patina some staining, a good honest collectors pistol of the Napoleonic Wars. (82/24)





A GOOD .65" FLINTLOCK NEW LAND 2ND TYPE SERVICE PISTOL CIRCA 1808, 9" barrel with baluster turned breech and stamped with the kings proofs, swivel rammer hinged at muzzle, fitted with improved New Land style lock with raised semi-waterproof pan, sprig decorated stepped tail the centre stamped with the Crown G.R. cypher, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock the grips struck with 1809 dated storekeepers stamp. The New Land pistol was one of the new series of weapons being developed for army issue from about 1802, the series includes the New Land Infantry musket, the New Land Light Infantry musket and the New Land Sergeants fusil or carbine and the Light Cavalry New Land pistol. At least 10 variations of the New Land pistol can be encountered the main difference being to the type of lock fitted, other minor differences include aprons around the barrel tang and pinned not keyed barrels which might be indicative of conversion from the earlier Pattern 1799 pistol. The New Land appears to have been first issued to Light Cavalry regiments serving in the Peninsula and also to those who fought at Waterloo. Versions of the New Land remained in production into the reign of William IV (1830-37). It remained in service until the introduction of percussion arms and some were converted but their issue at this time restricted to Yeomanry units. In very good condition with excellent sharp and crisp stock, as typical of this pattern there is a repaired crack to top of fore-end, barrel and lock to a steel grey patina, The storekeeper's stamp of 1809 dates this pistol to the Peninsular campaign when these pistols were first issued. An above average example. (84/24) £1100





Reduced Items

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 1847 the Ordnance decided to bring into service a percussion version of the old Paget carbine and manufacture of this type of carbine stopped. In very good condition with good sharp stock, barrel to blue/grey patina, a good example. £795





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 .550" DOUBLE BARRELLED PERCUSSION SPORTING RIFLE RETAILED BY JOHN HAYTON OF GRAHAMSTOWN, EASTERN CAPE, with 28" barrel rifled with two grooves for belted ball or winged bullet, wide top rib grooved for goal post sights and fitted with leaf sights to 300 yds engraved at the breech 'JOHN HAYTON GRAHAMSTOWN', borderline engraved detented side-action locks both bearing the retailers name 'JOHN HAYTON', (faint on right hand lock), with set triggers. Iron mounted walnut half stock with chequered wrist, large rectangular patch box fitted to butt. The retailer John Hayton was born in Cumberland in 1818 and moved to S. Africa at the age of 18, he set up business in Grahamstown operating a general store and as a gunsmith and was active circa 1845 to 1873 when he retired. He sold more guns in S. Africa than any other gunsmith it has been estimated these totalled over 20,000, he was also Tranter's S. African agent. Two of his sons returned to England and were set up in Birmingham with the purpose of organising the manufacture and shipment of supplies including guns to his Grahamstown operation. Hayton was famous for double rifles of this classic style and also Cape Guns which some authorities claim were either designed by him or his father-in-law Joseph Weakley who was a trained gunsmith. In very good condition with good sharp stock, barrel to a pleasing brown patina, some minor patches of corrosion to locks and mounts, good bores and action. £895





A GOOD AND IMPRESSIVE 12 MM PINFIRE 10 SHOT LEFAUCHEUX / CHAINEUX TYPE DOUBLE ACTION REVOLVER BY CALDERWOOD, DUBLIN, with 6" Birmingham proofed and sighted round barrel, the top signed 'CALDERWOOD & SON, NORTH EARL ST. DUBLIN', octagonal at breech, borderline engraved open top frame, fitted with ejector rod and hinged loading gate on the right. Unusual 10 shot fluted cylinder with external locking lugs, two-piece chequered grips of broom handle form. This type of multi-shot revolver chambered for the 12mm LeFaucheux cartridge was designed by Parisian gunmaker J. Chaineux in the 1870's and widely copied. This example of French manufacture imported and proofed in Britain; it is in very good plus condition with good grips, barrel, and action with fading finish. Pistols of this type are quite rare, a desirable and impressive collector's item.





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 .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 in very good condition, with good stock, small minor repaired crack near the rear lock screw, barrel to a grey / brown patina some minor speckling. (89/24)





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.



AN INTERESTING .44" COLT MODEL 1860 FOUR SCREW ARMY PERCUSSION REVOLVER. RETAILED BY THE COLT LONDON AGENCY CIRCA 1863 8" streamlined London proofed barrel stamped with the Colt New York address legend to top and fitted with underbarrel creep style loading lever, six shot London proofed rebated cylinder, open top four screw frame, the recoil shield cut for shoulder stock, brass trigger-guard and iron backstrap. The gun is numbered in the 94,2XX / L serial range, the 'L' suffix indicating sale via the Colt London Sales Agency at 14 Pall Mall records indicate it was one of 170 Army revolvers supplied in 1863 to the London Colt Agency. The Model 1860 Army was Colts replacement for the third Model Dragoon which was long considered to heavy and cumbersome, British advancements in metallurgy particularly the introduction of English low carbon steel during the 1850's allowed Colt and his design team to produce a slimmed down and light weight replacement for the old Dragoon, the Model 1860 Army revolver. The Army was manufactured from 1860 to 1873 with a total production of 200,500 of this number over 127,000 were acquired by the U.S. military. This example sold at the London agency was possibly acquired by a British army or naval officer. In very good condition, with good grips the cylinder with some scene, barrel and action to a grey patina some minor speckling overall. (BMC 11/24) £1650



A .65" FLINTLOCK VOLUNTEER, YEOMANRY OR OFFICERS PISTOL BY WILLIAMS CIRCA 1800, made to the regulation pattern for private sale to a volunteer cavalry unit or officer with 9" barrel struck with private Ordnance proofs, the breech with sighting groove, bevelled flat style lockplate with stepped tail, signed 'WILLIAMS' to centre, semi-waterproof pan fitted with ring neck cock, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock, the pistol is fitted with the double throated rammer pipe with internal spring and steel rammer as per the Modified Pattern 1796 Heavy Dragoon pistol and also fitted to the East India Company Pattern 1808 Light Dragoon pistol. The pistol is in very good condition with mellowed brown stock having some minor age cracks, barrel to a brown patina complete with correct iron rod. An interesting pistol at an attractive price. (83/24)







A GOOD .65" IRISH FLINTLOCK HALF STOCKED DUELLING PISTOL BY THOMAS PATTISON & CO. DUBLIN, 9½" octagonal barrel signed on the top flat with the makers name "T. Pattison & Co. Dublin". Iron mounted walnut half stocked with chequered butt and fitted with a domed buttcap and engraved spur trigger-guard. Border decorated flat style lock engraved with makers name to centre "T. Pattison & Co". Swan neck cock engraved to match lock, vee shaped waterproof pan, roller fitted to frizzen spring. Thomas Pattison was established in Dublin 1799 to 1812 and possibly later, 1799 to 1807 he operated a retail premisses at 143 Chapel St. and a manufactory at 1 Clarence St. North Strand. During this period, he marked his guns T. Pattison & Co. After 1807 the & Co. was dropped other retail addresses included 153 and 154 Chapel St. Thomas Pattison was another fine Irish maker and might have had some association with Rigby. The pistol is in Very good condition with fine stock, repaired age crack to right forend in front of lock, barrel to grey / brown patina. A classic and sought-after Irish dueller.



A .577" PERCUSSION PATTERN 1839 SHORT SEA SERVICE PISTOL, with 6" barrel profusely stamped with numerous Ordnance proof and inspection stamps including those for the Pimlico refurbishment Depot, swivel rammer hinged to muzzle. The lockplate of converted flintlock form with stepped tail, engraved with the usual crown V.R. TOWER cypher dated 1842, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock, the butt stamped with a faint circular Pimlico and 2nd class refurbishment roundel. This pattern of pistol was on issue from 1839 and issued to Royal Naval sailors during the Crimean War, this example having a Pimlico roundel must have been issued and seen use to require refurbishment. The Pimlico depot specialized in repair and refurbishment and had previously been the Colt London factory. The pistol is in very good condition with good stock that has been lightly cleaned over at some time in the distant past and has traces of original blackened finish to the barrel. (95/24)





A GOOD FRENCH 8 MM PINFIRE 12 SHOT LEFAUCHEAUX TYPE REVOLVER, with 5 ½" octagonal to round sighted barrel, open top frame, makers mark on left 'S.M.', with unusual 12 shot cylinder, the central part between the chambers and central arbour pin hollowed out to reduced weight, open top frame, fitted with ejector rod and hinged loading gate on the right, and folding trigger, the revolver also has an interesting quick release lever locking system for dismounting the barrel, two-piece chequered ebony grips of broom handle form. This type of multi-shot revolver chambered for the 8 mm LeFaucheux cartridge was designed by Parisian gunmaker J. Chaineux in the 1870's and widely copied in France and Liege. This example in very good plus condition. With excellent grips, barrel and action with fading finish, a desirable and above average collector's item.



A .650 IRISH FULLSTOCKED FLINTLOCK DUELLING OR OFFICER'S PISTOL BY PATTISON OF DUBLIN CIRCA 1800, with 9.25" octagonal barrel signed with the makers name 'Patterson Dublin', on the top flat, together with Irish registration marks 'DU-970' for Dublin. In 1843 a firearms registration act came into being requiring that all firearms be registered. The act came was introduced to monitor and reduce the number of firearms throughout the troubled counties of Ireland, and when this gun was registered it was far from new. Bevelled lock with stepped tail engraved with martial trophies, a sunburst is engraved between the cock and pan, meant to represent the flash of powder in the pan, makers name 'Pattison' to centre, swan-neck cock also engraved with martial trophies, roller to frizzen spring, iron mounted full walnut stock with bag shaped grip, domed iron butt-cap, trigger-guard with spur finger grip which tends to suggest this was more a duelling pistol than an officers pistol, trigger-guard bow engraved with martial trophies and with pineapple finial. Good stock some minor age cracks, barrel to a grey / brown patina. Irish duellers are quite sought after and this one at a very reasonable price.





A .600" INDIAN TORADAR MATCHLOCK MUSKET FROM JAIPUR, 42" sighted barrel with swamped muzzle, marked at the breech 'JPR/ EXR/ 2|7050' indicating that it was once in the armoury at the Jaipur Royal Palace, Rajasthan, full stocked in rosewood with three copper barrel bands. The Toradar is a uniquely Indian style of matchlock musket which dates back to the 16th century, it was the preferred arm in India until the mid-19th century due mainly to its simple and cost-effective design. Arms of this style are mostly found in the Mughal influenced regions of Northern and Central India, due to their smaller calibre and long heavy barrels they were surprisingly accurate and out ranged the standard British military smoothbore muskets. In very good condition, very good stock, barrel to a grey, brown patina, pan cover missing, an interesting collector's item from the time of the British in India and an attractive wall display piece.



A GOOD AND ATTRACTIVE 16 BORE PERCUSSION DOUBLE BARRELLED SPORTING GUN SIGNED

MANTON, with 30" skelp twist barrel the concave top rib marked 'LONDON'. Borderline engraved back-action locks decorated with foliate engraving and gamebird scenes, the hammers foliate engraved to match (engraving refreshed). Walnut half-stock with chequered wrist and fitted with engraved mounts of German silver including scroll trigger-guard and small cap trap on underside of butt, with brass mounted ebonized loading rod. In very good condition the barrel with fading brown finish, good stock with some wear to chequering. (82/23)



A GOOD 14 BORE PERCUSSION DOUBLE BARRELLED SPORTING GUN BY R. HUGHES, with 29" barrels the concave top rib engraved 'R. HUGHES & SONS BIRMINGHAM', back-action locks with borderline and some foliate decoration. Iron mounted walnut half stock with chequered wrist. In very good condition with good stock, barrels to a blue / brown patina. A good example of a basic shotgun of the 1860's that has seen very little use and cheaper than a repro. (51/23) £385.



A RARE .450" No 2 MUSKET WESTLEY RICHARDS PATTERN 1869 IMPROVED MARTINI MILITARY MATCH RIFLE, with 33" Henry rifled barrel, fitted with ladder rearsight and windage adjustable foresight (blade missing), the action stamped with the makers details on the left, 'WESTLEY RICHARDS PATENT / 170 NEW BOND ST. LONDON', two-piece full walnut stock with chequered wrist and forend, the heel of the butt fitted with a base for a long range vernier sight. The Pattern 1869 Improved Martini was designed and patented by W. Richards to compete with the Martini Henry and was unsuccessfully submitted to the War Department for trials. The system featured a forward hinged operating lever, providing a compact faster operating action, the firing pin is powered by a vee spring. The system was dropped in favour of the superior Pattern 1873 Deeley Edge falling block action, consequently few were made, in S. Africa they are known as Majuba Martini's, it is believed many of the Boers in that famous engagement carried them and others carried the Westley Richards Monkey Tail. Arms made by Westley Richards were highly regarded by the Boers. Most known examples of the Improved Martini are in half stocked sporting configuration, full stocked military match examples such as this are exceptionally rare. In very good condition with fading blue to barrel and action, some minor wear to stock commensurate with use, good bore and tight action, windage adjustable foresight blade missing £1100



A GOOD 11mm PINFIRE LEFAUCHEAX TYPE MILITARY PATTERN DOUBLE ACTION REVOLVER 6" octagonal barrel with cartridge ejector rod, foliate engraved open top frame fitted with loading gate, six shot Liege proved foliate engraved cylinder. Two-piece flared walnut broom handle style grips, with lanyard ring at base. In very good condition, fairly sharp overall, to a blue / grey patina, good grips, and action.





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