# *Michael J Noble Ltd*
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# *Sales List*



As one of the country's leading specialists in supplying quality antique and vintage arms to discerning collectors, investors and shooters, Michael J Noble Ltd is pleased to present our latest sales list.

Within these pages you will find a carefully selected range of interesting and desirable arms. We pride ourselves on offering quality pieces at realistic prices and believe this list represents some of the best value currently available.

We are full-time professional dealers and believe that successful business is built upon knowledge, fair dealing and long-term relationships with our customers.

Many interesting items come and go without ever appearing on our website — some even find their way into our own collections! If there is a particular item you are looking for, please give us a call; we may well be able to help.

Our regularly updated website displays most of our current stock and can be viewed at your leisure, 24 hours a day: **look with pleasure, decide at leisure — no pressure, no crowd.**
We hope you enjoy browsing this catalogue. If you have any questions or require further information about any item, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We look forward to hearing from you and being of service, both now and in the future.


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## A GOOD 577/450 MARKING HENRY MK I CAVALRY CARBINE.

21" fully ordnance marked barrel, fitted with carbine style ladder rearsight, the foresight with protecting wings. The action stamped with the Enfield crown V.R. cypher dated 1888 and "1.C.I" over 2 for Mk I carbine interchangeable. 2nd Class. Two-piece iron mounted full walnut stock, the butt stamped with various ordnance and faint issue markings together with a Birmingham Ordnance roundel dated 1891 indicating refurbishment at the W.D. Repair and Refurbishment Depot, Bagot St. in 1891.

This establishment was known locally as the Tower Bagot St. because it operated as an extension of the primary British military store and inspection system based at the Tower of London. It opened in the late 1790's as a B.O. acceptance and proofing depot for arms made by the Birmingham trade. Then from 1866 to 1894 the core focus of the establishment transitioned into a repair and refurbishment depot for military small arms serving as the W.D. primary Royal Small Arms Repair Facility (RSARF).

**This carbine made in 1888 to have needed refurbishment in 1891 meant it saw service and possibly action somewhere, possibly Egypt. . In very good condition with good stock, barrel and action with fading blue finish, good bore and tight action. £1495.**





## A .310" MARTINI 2ND PATTERN AUSTRALIAN CADET RIFLE BY B.S.A.

25" barrel fitted with micro-adjustable rearsight and Francotte detachable action. The right side is stamped **"COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA"**, with the maker's name B.S.A. and piled-arms trademark on the left. Two-piece walnut stock, the butt bearing N.S.W. issue stamps.

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 aged 12–14 as Junior Cadets, 14–18 as Senior Cadets and young adults aged 18–20. Before the Bill came into force, Lord Kitchener visited Australia at the request of the Australian Government to make recommendations. Many thousands of these cadet rifles were ordered and began arriving in the country by 1908.

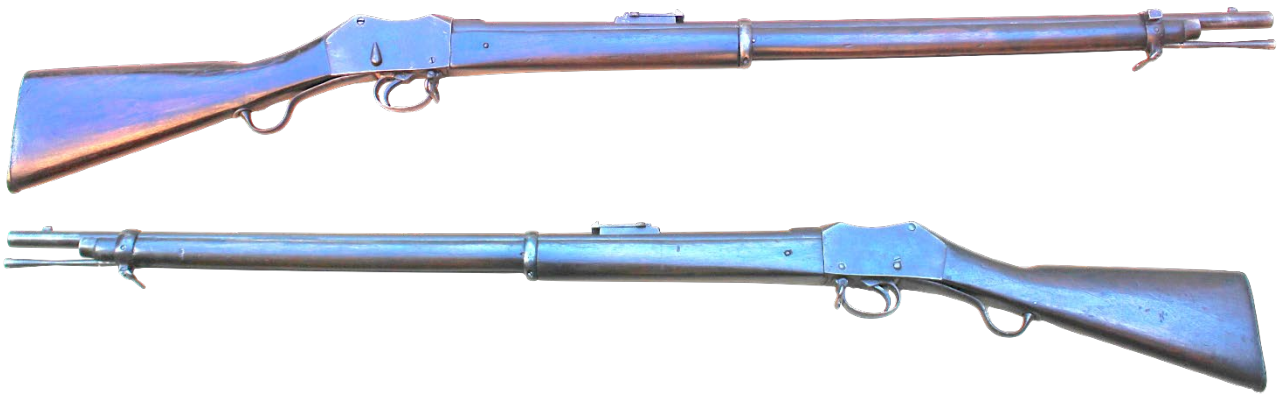
**In very good condition, with good stock; barrel and action retaining much original blue finish. Good action and bore. £795.**



## A .577/.450 MARTINI-HENRY Mk II SERVICE RIFLE BY B.S.A. 1889.

33" fully Birmingham Ordnance-proofed barrel, stamped **"N.S. NEP"** for Native State Nepal, indicating that it was one of a quantity supplied to Nepal in 1908, and fitted with ladder rearsight. The action is stamped with the Crowned V.R. cypher, dated 1889 and marked Mk II, together with **"2"** for Second Class, indicating refurbishment prior to supply to Nepal. Iron-mounted two-piece walnut stock.

**In very good overall condition, with fairly sharp stock; barrel and action retaining fading blue finish. Good bore. £995.**






**A GOOD .577/.450 MARTINI-HENRY Mk IV, B-PATTERN SERVICE RIFLE.**
33" fully Enfield-proofed and inspected barrel, stamped **"N.S. NEP"** for Native State Nepal and fitted with ramp foresight. The action is stamped with the Crowned V.R. Enfield cypher, dated 1886 and marked Mk IV, First Class.

Two-piece iron-mounted walnut stock, the butt bearing Rawalpindi markings including **"R.P. / 1908"**, indicating refurbishment at Rawalpindi Arsenal in 1908 before being supplied to Nepal.

This pattern was approved in September 1887 and was primarily a conversion of the .402" Enfield-Martini Mk I, 2nd Pattern. Records indicate that approximately 42,902 were assembled, the vast majority being issued in India. When obsolete they were supplied to Nepal in 1908 for issue to the Gurkha Army, and this example bears their issue markings.

**In very good condition, with good stock; barrel and action retaining much fading original finish. Good bore and tight action. A good example. (See A Catalogue of British Military Longarms 1730-1930)**
**£995.**





**A RARE .577 SNIDER / ENFIELD MK I* 2 BAND SHORT RIFLE 1862,**

30" fully Enfield ordnance marked barrel, rifled with 5 groove fast twist rifling, fitted with military pattern rear ladder rearsight, bayonet lug at muzzle. The lock stamped with the Crown V.R. ENFIELD cypher dated 1861, and the small S.R. stamp, indicating this is the improved double freed lock only fitted to short rifles. The rifle is fitted with the early Mk I* breech unit. Regulation iron mounted stock, the right but with Enfield roundel and the left butt, stamped with D.C. in a diamond for Dominion of Canada, together with other unit issue marking.

The rifle was originally made in 1861 as a Pattern 1861 percussion short rifle and converted to a Snider breech loader in late 1866 consequently a very rare Snider conversion, one of the very first. Skennerton in a Treatise on the Snider states the Snider 2 band rifle was only produced in the Mk II** breech configuration but he is incorrect. A small quantity had been produced before the problem with the cartridge case came to light resulting in upgrade to Mk II**. They together with the 3-band Mk I rifles had been shipped to Canada, armourers were sent to Canada to modify all the arms shipped, they were then marked with a * over the I to indicate they had been upgraded. This rifle was amongst the first Snider conversions produced. (See A Catalogue of British Military Longarms 1730-1930 page 168)

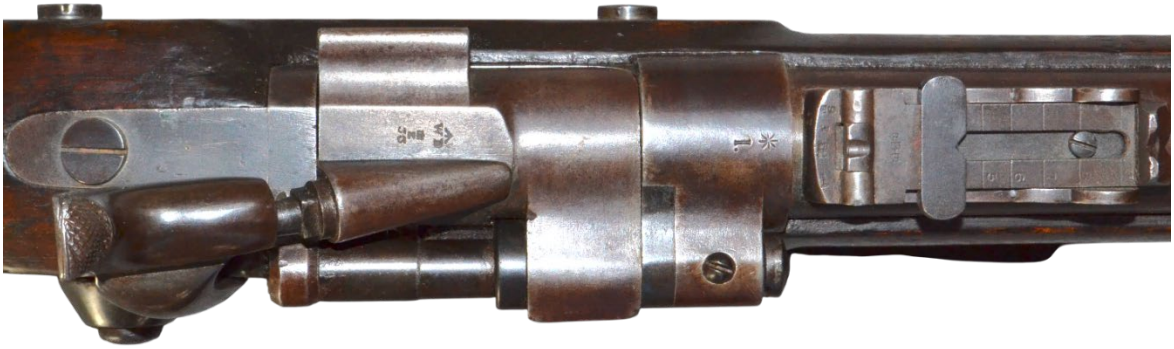
**This is a very rare collectors Snider very few Mk I* short rifles are known to exist. In very good condition, good stock quite sharp overall, barrel with fading blue finish, good bore, tight action. A good example**

**£1200**







**A RARE .577" SNIDER / ENFIELD MK II* 3 BAND SERVICE RIFLE,**

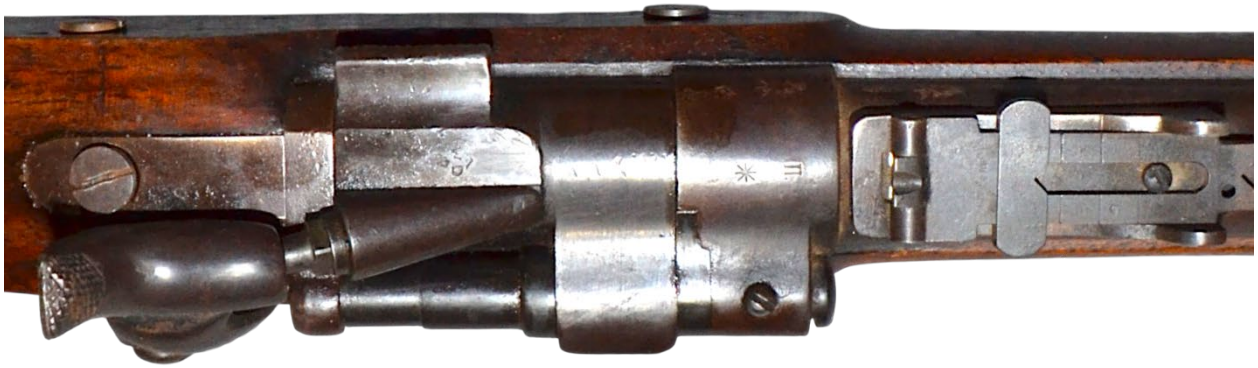
36" fully ordnance marked barrel, rifled with 3 grooves, ladder rearsight, top vee bar missing, the breech stamped with the rare Mk II* designation, the lock bearing the usual Enfield crown V.R. cypher dated 1858, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock, the butt with Enfield roundel.

This rifle was originally made as a 3rd Type Pattern 1853 rifle in 1858 and converted to Snider in 1867. The Snider 3 band service rifle was made in 5 variations, the Mk I only known examples in the Royal Armouries, the Mk I*, very rare, very few examples known, the Mk II* this variation is one of the rarest, the Mk II** the most common and the Mk III. This rifle has the conversion date of 1/67 stamped on the underside of the barrel, making it one of the very early conversions. For full details on all these Snider variations see A Catalogue of British Military Longarms 1730 to 1930.

**In very good condition with good stock, quite sharp overall, barrel and action with much original finish, tight action and good bore. £995**




V.R
1858
ENFIELD



**A GOOD .577" SNIDER 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, ladder rearsight and Mk III positive bolt locked breech. 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'.

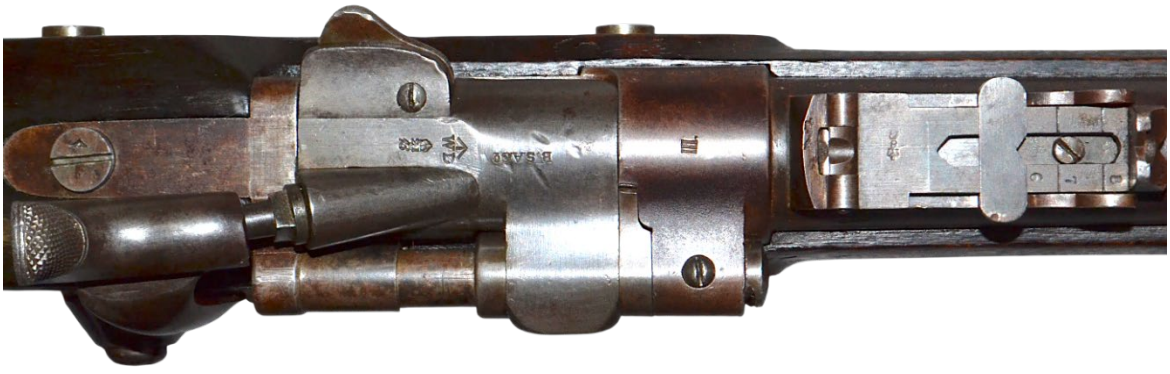
**In very good plus condition with good sharp untouched stock, barrel with fading blue finish, tight action and excellent bore, complete with rod and sling swivels. The Mk III Snider is the most sought-after by todays shooters due to the positive locked breech. £1100**











**A RARE .740" PATTERN 1843 EAST INDIA COMPANY TYPE 2 PERCUSSION VICTORIA CARBINE FOR THE BENGAL ARTILLERY,**

26" sighted barrel, London proofs at breech, together with a coded EIC date stamp for 1843-44, fixed vee rear-sight, swivel rammer hinged at muzzle, side action lock of E.I.C. military pattern, officially designated the "New series side lock", the centre of the lock plate stamped with the E.I.C. rampant lion cypher, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock, scroll trigger-guard, side-rib officially removed.

This is one of very few East India Company Victoria carbines known to exist today, of which there are 3 distinct types or variations, type 1 was a copy of the British Pattern 1837 Victoria carbine with back action lock. Type 2 produced 1843 to 1847 is a copy of the British service Pattern 1843 Victoria carbine, with a rounded scroll trigger-guard and flat nosecap incorporating a rammer pipe. Type 3 produced 1851 was a heavier stock, a Brunswick style trigger-guard, a standard nosecap with a separate longer rammer pipe set back 2 ½" from the muzzle. Type 2 carbines such as this were supplied as follows:- 1,200 in May 1843, 1,400 in May 1844, 2,200 in May 1845, 200 in August 1847, giving a total of 5,800 of which 5400 were issued in Bengal and just 400 to cavalry in Madras.

Records state they were issued to the 3rd Light Dragoons who used them during both the 1st and 2nd Sikh Wars 1845-46 and 1848-48, and the 14th Light Dragoons who used them during the 2nd Sikh War. The bulk were issued to Bengal Light Cavalry regiments, certainly the 1st, 3rd 4th 6th 7th, 8th and 11th regiments B.L.C. carried them and would have used them during the Sikh wars. This example is dated for 1843 to 1844 consequently one of the first supplied and might well have been issued to the 3rd L.D. who were rearmed with carbines of this pattern in 1845 or the 14th L.D. in 1845/46. Even if issued to one of the Bengal Native cavalry regiments it could have seen action during both the 1st and 2nd Sikh wars.

Victoria carbines were not liked by the native cavalry units, being considered too long and heavy. Many like this one were modified by removing the side rib and ring for issue to the Bengal Artillery, at a rate of 19 per battery. I am sure this weapon has had an interesting life, first issued to a cavalry regiment in India, possibly seeing action during one or both of the Sikh wars. Then refurbished for issue to the Bengal Artillery. It would have seen service during the mutiny, much of the Bengal Artillery remained loyal.

**In very good condition good stock showing some wear commensurate with use, barrel with most old blue from service refurbishment. A very rare and historic collector's item. £895**





**A RARE .704" PATTERN 1864, OR 4TH TYPE, EAST INDIA GOVT. BRUNSWICK RIFLE OF THE PUNJAB FRONTIER FORCE.**

30" barrel rifled with two grooves, leaf rearsight to 300 yards and bayonet bar at muzzle. The Pattern 1853-style lock is stamped with the Crown V.R. cypher and dated 1864. Regulation brass-mounted full walnut stock, with the usual Brunswick refinements of scroll trigger-guard and large rectangular patchbox. This pattern of Brunswick was modelled on the E.I.C. 3rd Type Pattern 1848 rifle, which was essentially the British Army's 2nd Type of 1844, the principal difference being the fitting of the improved Pattern 1853 lock in place of the earlier Lovell's Pattern 1842 lock.

These late-pattern Brunswicks were required for issue principally to Sikh regiments of the Punjab Irregular Frontier Force—the "Piffers"—of which the famous Corps of Guides formed part. They were raised and stationed for the defence of the turbulent North-West Frontier, a tough environment and an area of almost constant conflict, where experience had demonstrated the importance of rifles. During the Indian Mutiny, Sikh regiments proved their loyalty and it was felt that they could be trusted with rifles when other Indian regiments were issued the series of Pattern 1858/59 muskets. There is evidence to suggest that these late Brunswicks, as well as firing the belted ball, also used an expanding Minié bullet, giving greater range and accuracy.

**This example is in above-average condition for its type, with good stock and barrel retaining a fading blue finish. A true piece of British history for those with an interest in British India and the North-West Frontier.** ***(See p.138, A Catalogue of British Military Longarms.)*** **£1,895.**






**A GOOD .65" FLINTLOCK OFFICER'S CARBINE BY RICHARDS, CIRCA 1815.**

24" Birmingham-proofed barrel, baluster-turned breech and foliate-engraved breech tang, the barrel secured to the forend by two keys. Foliate-engraved bevelled lock with stepped tail and bolt safety, waterproof pan, roller to frizzen spring and flat-style swan-neck cock engraved to match. Full walnut stock with foliate-engraved iron mounts, including scroll trigger-guard and flat-style nosecap. In very good, sharp overall condition, with excellent untouched stock; barrel with a blue-brown patina. **£1100**





# The Enfield Pattern 1853 Rifle and Variations

The Enfield Pattern 1853 rifle is, without doubt, one of those iconic weapons from history deserving of a place in every collection of military arms. Considered by many authorities to be the finest percussion muzzle-loading military rifle developed by any nation for general issue to its forces, it reached its zenith during the period from 1853 to 1865. For me, this is the most fascinating period in the history of firearms development. It was a time when weapons design made an extraordinary leap forward. The Industrial Revolution, together with rapid advances in manufacturing, science and technology, was making the ideas—and sometimes the wildest dreams—of inventors a reality.

In the space of little more than fifteen years, the military firearm progressed from the muzzle-loading musket, a weapon which had changed comparatively little in two centuries, with an effective range of less than 100 yards and a rate of fire of around three rounds a minute, to rifled weapons capable of effective fire at several hundred yards and long-range shooting approaching 1,000 yards. These in turn were rapidly followed by breech-loading weapons using the self-contained, gas-tight metallic cartridge.

The Pattern 1853 Rifle Musket, affectionately known simply as "the Enfield", or P53 stood at the centre of this revolution. It compared extremely favourably with its foreign contemporaries and became one of the standards by which military rifles of the period were judged. Produced and issued in enormous quantities, it must also rank among the most commonly surviving of nineteenth-century military arms.

Its service history was remarkable. The Enfield saw action with British forces throughout the Empire and beyond: in the Crimea; in India, where the cartridges issued for it became one of the immediate causes associated with the outbreak of the Indian Mutiny; in South Africa during the conflicts of the Eastern Cape; and in the New Zealand, or Māori, Wars of the 1860s—a hard-fought, colourful and still surprisingly little-known campaign in Britain.

Large quantities of Enfield's were also issued in Canada during periods of tension along the border with the United States. At home, the fear of French invasion in 1859 encouraged the extraordinary growth of the Volunteer Movement. Towns throughout Britain formed their own Volunteer Rifle Corps, accompanied by the construction of rifle ranges in most U.K. towns and cities, on which their members could practise. The Pattern 1853 and its commercial and Volunteer derivatives became closely associated with this movement.

Nor should we forget the American Civil War. Large numbers of Enfield rifles crossed the Atlantic and were used extensively by both Union and Confederate forces, giving this quintessentially British military arm an important place in American history as well.

The P53 also spawned a large family of related weapons. Improved models and specialised variations were produced for artillery, cavalry, rifle regiments, engineers, naval service and the East India Company. Added to these were the myriad versions manufactured for foreign and colonial governments, together with target rifles and arms intended for Volunteers, officers and the commercial market.

A further family of smooth-bore arms was produced for service in India. Following the Mutiny, British authorities were reluctant to equip ordinary Indian infantry regiments with the same rifled weapons available to European troops, resulting in the development and issue of smooth-bore derivatives of the Enfield system.

The Enfield story did not end with the arrival of the breech-loader. In 1866 the decision was taken to convert large numbers of existing muzzle-loading Enfield's to breech-loading arms using the Snider system. The resulting Snider-Enfield, particularly in its short-rifle form with improved rifling, proved an extremely effective weapon and a worthy contemporary of the new generation of small-bore breech-loaders then competing to replace it.

With the Pattern 1853, the muzzle-loading military rifle had arguably reached its perfection. The quality of manufacture seen in good surviving examples remains impressive today and is a reminder of the standards of craftsmanship and personal pride in manufacture that characterised the period.

The Enfield is important for another reason. Its production became closely associated with the introduction and development in Britain of modern factory manufacture using machine-made, interchangeable components. This was a fundamental change from the older system under which

military arms had largely been assembled from components supplied by numerous specialist contractors. The rifle therefore represents not simply an advance in firearms design, but part of a much greater revolution in British industrial production.

The Pattern 1853 Enfield remains an enduring memorial to the men who designed it, to the workers who manufactured it, and above all to the soldiers who carried and used it—men whose lives could depend upon its accuracy and reliability. It is also a memorial to the Victorian age: a period when Britain was arguably at the height of its power, and when developments in science, engineering and manufacturing were helping to create the modern technological world. Every collector should have one and we have probably the best stock and examples available in this country. A selection are listed below.

# Selection of Pattern 1853 Rifles & Carbines.

**A PATTERN 1856 PERCUSSION CAVALRY CARBINE.**

21" barrel rifled with three grooves, fully Birmingham Ordnance-marked at the breech, fitted with leaf sights to 300 yards and having a swivel rammer hinged at the muzzle. The lock is engraved with the Tower Crown V.R. cypher, dated 1858, together with the small Government Crown inspection stamp. Regulation brass-mounted full walnut stock, with faint W.D. stamp to the right butt and fitted with side rib.

The Pattern 1856 Cavalry Carbine was approved in August 1856, initially for issue to cavalry of the East India Company. It was later adopted by the War Department as a stop-gap arm until a suitable breech-loading carbine was accepted. The first orders were not placed until June 1857, when 12,000 were ordered from the Birmingham trade; by the following March, 10,323 had been received into store. During 1858 two further orders were placed with the Birmingham trade—the first in April for 900 and another in December for 5,000. In August 1860 there was yet another order, although the quantity is not known.

This example was probably one of the 12,000 ordered in June 1857 but not completed until 1858. Due to the Mutiny, this pattern saw very limited issue to East India Company cavalry but became the standard carbine of British line cavalry, many of which saw service in India during the Mutiny. **In very good condition, with good, well-refinished stock; barrel retaining much fading blue finish. Good bore.**

**£1,100.**






**A .577" PATTERN 1856 2 BAND PERCUSSION VOLUNTEER SHORT RIFLE BY E. M. REILLY OF OXFORD ST. LONDON.**

33" London proofed barrel, rifled with 3 grooves, fitted with regulation pattern ladder rearsight and barley corn foresight, bayonet lug at muzzle. Borderline engraved lock stamped with a crown on the tail and "REILLY 515 & 502 OXFORD ST. LONDON", Regulation iron mounted figured full walnut stock.

The Pattern 1856 short rifle was very popular with the volunteers, designed in military service for issue to rifle regiments and sergeants of infantry. The reason for the blued iron mounts over brass mounts of the long rifle, to limit reflection, as the rifles were issued in the main to rifle regiments who acted as skirmishers and sharpshooters. **This rifle is in very good condition with fine, sharp and untouched stock, barrel to a blue / grey patina, good shooting grade bore, £1200**





**A GOOD SUPERIOUR QUALITY .577" PATTERN 1853 3RD TYPE 3 BAND PERCUSSION VOLUNTEER RIFLE SIGNED J. ASTON, HYTHE.**

39" Birmingham proofed barrel rifled with 3 grooves, engraved at the breech "ISSAC HOLLIS & SONS" and "MAKERS TO HER MAJESTY'S / WAR DEPARTMENT". Borderline engraved lock signed to centre "J ASTON / HYTHE". Regulation brass mounted full figured walnut stock, chequered wrist and forend.

The retailer James Aston was a highly influential British gunmaker and inventor who served as the Civil Master Armourer to the British Army's School of Musketry in Hythe, Kent, from 1853 until 1870. He played a critical role in the development and refinement of British military small arms during the mid-to-late 19th century. Between 1855 and 1882, Aston submitted at least 15 improvements and modifications to various military small arms, several of which were officially adopted by the British military. Aston made vital contributions to the design of the Pattern 1853 Enfield rifle. He designed a new pattern ramrod incorporating a jag head (making it easier to remove from the stock) and suggested several design improvements to the rifle between 1854 and 1862.

In addition to his official military duties at Hythe, Aston operated a successful business selling high-quality rifles on his own account. He was highly regarded as one of the premier suppliers of Volunteer military and target rifles during the 1860s. His custom pieces were typically built using precision components or complete arms sourced from premium Birmingham trade houses like *Hollis & Sheath* or *Isaac Hollis & Sons*, with whom he had a close working relationship. This rifle is an example of his work.

**It is in near excellent condition with fine stock, barrel with much fading blue finish, excellent bright bore with sharp rifling. An above average specimen. £1295.**










**A GOOD .577" PATTERN 1853 3RD TYPE 3 BAND PERCUSSION VOLUNTEER RIFLE BY E. M. REILLY OF OXFORD ST. LONDON CIRCA 1860,**

39" London proved barrel rifles with 3 grooves and engraved along the top "REILLY 515 & 502 OXFORD ST LONDON" fitted with regulation pattern ladder rearsight, barleycorn foresight, borderline engraved lock signed "REILLY / LONDON" to centre, regulation brass mounted figured full walnut stock. The rifle **in very good plus condition with excellent sharp and untouched stock, barrel to a pleasing fading plum blue finish, good sharp bright bore. A good piece for collector or shooter. £1295**











**A .577" ENFIELED PATTERN 1853 3RD TYPE PERCUSSION SERVICE RIFLE BY THE LONDON ARMOURY COMPANY 1862.**

39" ordnance proofed barrel, rifled with 3 grooves, fitted with standard military pattern sights, the lock stramped with the Crown V.R. cypher on the tail and 1862 /LAC to the centre, regulation brass mounted full walnut stock.

LAC made Pattern 1853 rifles together with R. S. M. Enfield made rifles were machine made in factory complexes to the highest standards of the day, were interchangeable and considered the best available. The majority of LAC made arms encountered today were made for private sale to volunteers , service issue examples, such as this are exceptionally rare as most were converted to Snider breech loaders.

**This example in very good condition with fine stock, barrel to a grey, brown patina some speckling near breech and bolster and very good bore bright and sharp. Complete with a socket bayonet and scabbard.**

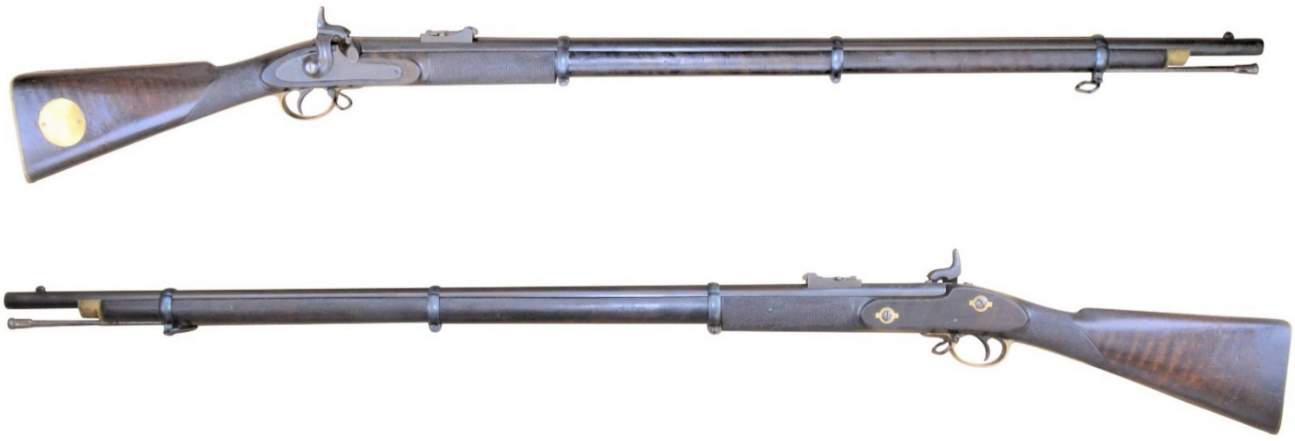
**£1395**




**A .577" PATTERN 1853 THREE BAND PERCUSSION VOLUNTEER RIFLE BY ALEXANDER HENRY OF EDINBURGH,**

39" Birmingham proofed barrel rifled with 3 grooves and faintly inscribed 'A. HENRY EDINBURGH', at breech, fitted with the usual military pattern ladder rearsight graduated to 900 yards and barley corn frontsight. Borderline engraved lock with the name 'A. HENRY' to centre, regulation brass mounted figured full walnut stock with chequered wrist and forend, butt with a recently inserted plain and unmarked brass disc. Undoubtedly a recent replacement for a missing presentation plaque, many presentation rifles had their plaques removed when disposed of by recipients or their families. The rifle was originally a prize or presentation rifle with origins to one of the many Scottish Volunteer Rifle units of the 1860's.

**As befitting a presentation rifle it is of superior quality with figured and striped walnut stock and chequered wrist and forend, barrel to a blue / grey patina, good bore sharp and bright. £1100**





# *Pistols & Revolvers*

**A 30 BORE (.530") DOUBLE BARRELED PERCUSSION OFFICERS / TRAVELLING PISTOL BY DOOLEY OF LIVERPOOLE.**

**7"** barrels with concave top rib, swivel rammer hinged at muzzle, foliate engraved backaction locks signed DOOLEY, iron mounted full walnut stock, with chequered bag shaped butt. The maker or retailer was William Dooley of Lime st 1836 to 45 and 11 Ranelagh St 1846-1864.

**The pistol is contained in a modern carrying case and in in very good condition with good stock having some wear commensurate with use. The barrels professionally rebrowned and looking good. A nice-looking pistol. £895**






**A GOOD, INTERESTING & IMPRESSIVE .32" RIMFIRE WEBLEY-MADE VARIANT OF THE SMITH & WESSON No. 2 OLD MODEL SEVEN-SHOT REVOLVER.**

6" Birmingham-proofed octagonal barrel; plain seven-shot cylinder; borderline-engraved solid one-piece frame, engraved on the left "Patent No 39,329"; spur trigger; two-piece walnut grips; the base of the frame with vacant hole for a lanyard ring.

This rare and interesting revolver is considerably larger and heavier than the standard Smith & Wesson .32" rimfire revolver and is not much smaller than a Colt Navy. Differences from the Smith & Wesson include a solid one-piece frame, into which the barrel is screwed, and the seven-shot cylinder. The action appears similar, as does the sprung top-mounted locking catch.

The number engraved on the frame does not relate to a patent but is the company's serial number for total revolver production of all types and is in the style normally encountered on Webley-Bentley, Wedge and solid-frame revolvers.

**A rare, interesting and fine collector's item. In near-excellent condition, retaining most deep blue to the barrel and cylinder, faded case colours to the frame and excellent untouched grips. £795**



**A GOOD .32" RIMFIRE SMITH & WESSON MODEL No. 1½ FIRST ISSUE REVOLVER, CIRCA 1866.**

3½" octagonal barrel, the top flat stamped with the usual Smith & Wesson address and patent legends; plain five-shot cylinder; frame with sheath trigger and two-piece rosewood grips.

This model was manufactured from 1865–1868, with a total production of approximately 26,300. This example falls within the 12,000 serial range.

**In very good-plus condition, with excellent untouched grips; barrel and action retaining some original blue finish, the balance having aged to a pleasing brown patina; good action and bore. £750**









**A GOOD 80 BORE TRANTER 4TH MODEL DOUBLE ACTION PERCUSSION REVOLVER RETAILED BY CHARLES LANCASTER**, with 4.5" sighted octagonal barrel the top strap engraved with the retailer name "CHAS. LANCASTER 151 NEW BOND St. LONDON", fitted with Tranter's patent loading lever on the left, borderline and foliate engraved frame stamped "TRANTER'S / PATENT" in an oval on the left and "No 8351 T" on the right, dating the revolver to circa 1858/59, fitted with pivoting hook safety catch and S shaped spring arbour retaining pin, five shot cylinder with the usual roped band decoration to leading edge. One piece chequered walnut grips with domed, scroll engraved buttcap. **An above average specimen with most original deep blue finish and excellent grips.**

**£995**







## A .65" PATTERN 1858 EAST INDIA GOVERNMENT PERCUSSION TROOPER'S PISTOL

8" smoothbore barrel struck with military proofs at the breech; swivel rammer hinged at the muzzle; lock bearing the Crown E.I.G. cypher on the tail and "1867 / Birmingham" to the centre; full walnut stock with regulation brass mounts; ovoid buttcap with lanyard ring; very faint E.I.G. Birmingham roundel and maker's name stamped to the left flat.

In 1858 the East India Company adopted a five-groove rifled version of this pistol in .577" calibre. Following the Indian Mutiny and the decision to downgrade arms issued to native troops, this smoothbore version was produced and issued to cavalry of the newly established East India Government. Pistols of this type were produced during the 1860s and '70s and remained in service into the 1880s. Many were subsequently transferred to the forces of the Native States.

**In very good condition, the stock showing wear commensurate with use and the barrel retaining fading blue finish.** **£695**



**A .56" PATTERN 1842 SHORT SEA SERVICE PERCUSSION PISTOL,**

6" fully ordnance proofed barrel, with swivel rammer hinged at muzzle, borderline engraved Lovells new pattern 1842 sidelock, with Crown Tower cypher to centre dated 1849, regulation brass mounted walnut stock, the buttcap with lanyard ring.

**In very good condition with good stock barrel and lock with fading blue finish. A good collectors example. £750**




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TOWER 1849

# Accessories

**A FOLIATE EMBOSSED COPPER BODY SPORTING GUN FLASK,** 8 ½" o/a from top of nozzle to base, the nozzle graduated from 2 to 3 drams. Foliate decorated embossed copper body. Very good plus condition. (FLK 1) **£85**

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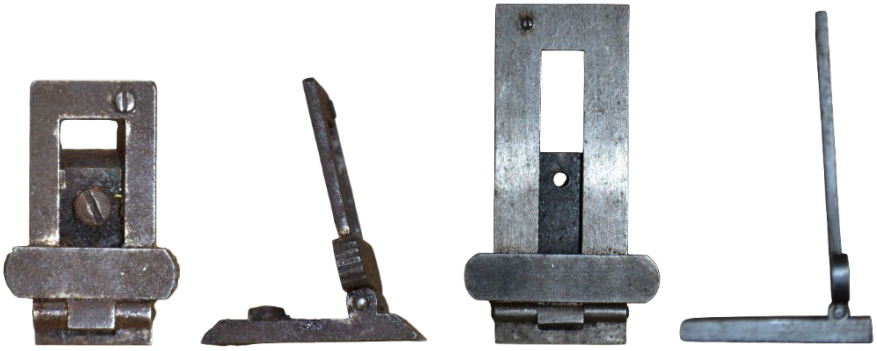
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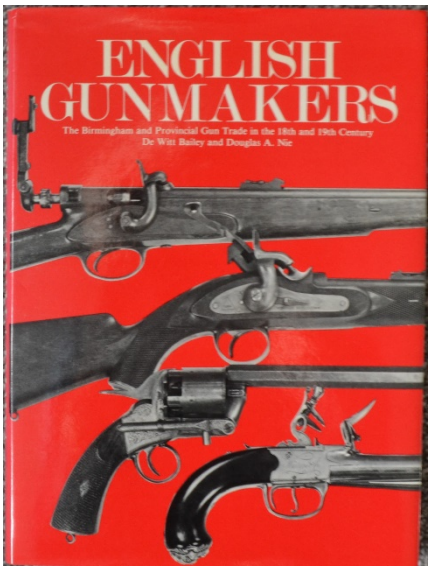
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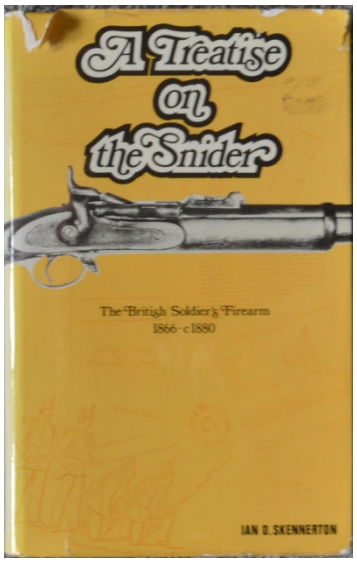
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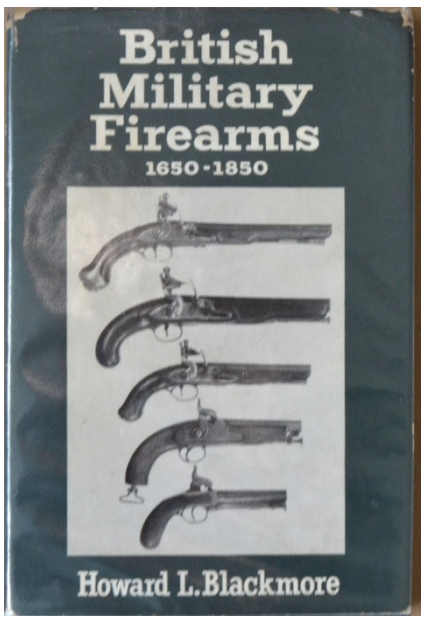



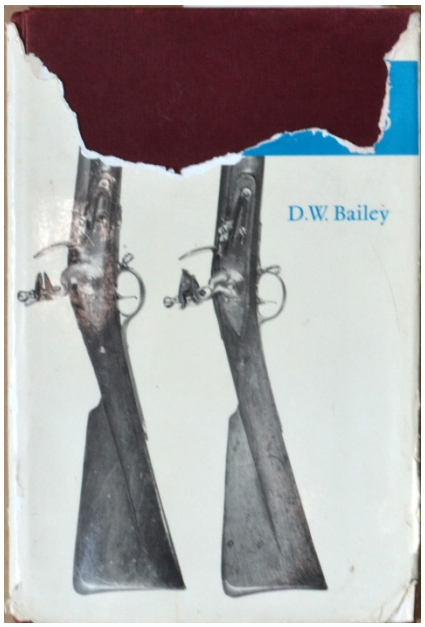

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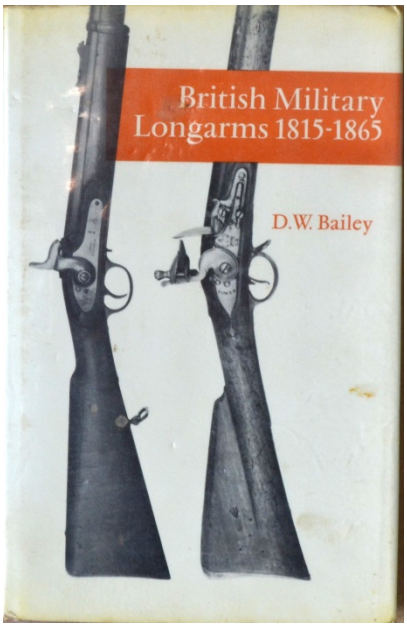
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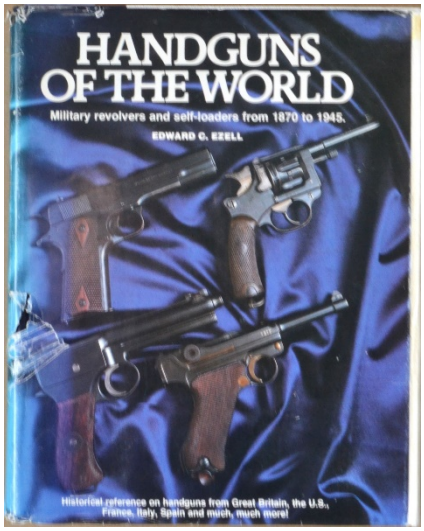



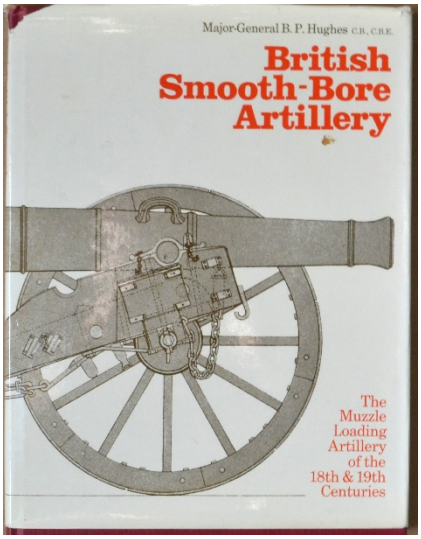



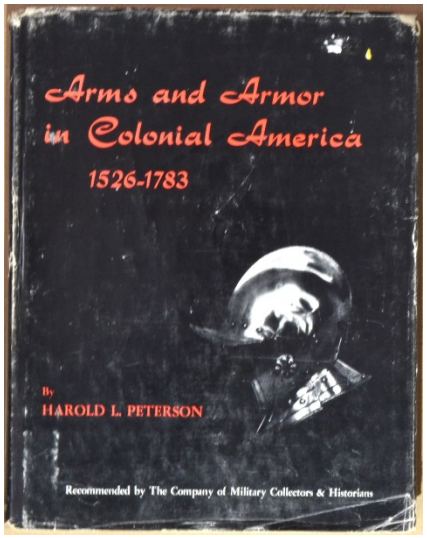
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