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## Certificate of Origin

Shotgun No. 20893

Our craftsmen completed this shotgun on 6<sup>th</sup> March 1890. It was built as a ten bore double barrel side-by-side shotgun on a boxlock action to a specification known as the Desideratum model. It was fitted with a top lever, dollshead extension and triplex locking, double triggers and a top automatic safety of the tumbler type. The forend had a snap type mechanism.

The barrels were 32" long and made of steel as distinct from Damascus. The chokes were then regulated to deliver high quality even patterns and when completed and tested with no. 2 shot, the right barrel delivered an average of 171 pellets into the 30" circle whilst the left delivered an average of 185. When tested with no.5 shot the right barrel delivered an average of 247 whilst the left delivered an average of 269.

The stock was  $14^{-1}_{16}$ " long with a pistol hand (grip) and a Silvers recoil pad. The bend at the comb was  $1^{3}_{4}$ " and the bend at the heel was  $2^{5}_{8}$ ".

The original purchaser was Mr Percy Russell who took delivery of the gun on 24<sup>th</sup> March 1890. He paid twenty-eight guineas for it.

We confirm that the above information was extracted from the archives of Cogswell & Harrison on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2000 for the current owner Mr Frank Weinberg III of Greenwich CT 06830 in the USA.

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