

FIREARM INFORMATION SHEET

COLLECTION NUMBER: 9028

TYPE: Kentucky pistol

IGNITION SYSTEM: Flint lock

LOCK MARKINGS/DECORATIONS: Lock marked "P P Irving Warranted"

DATE OF MANUFACTURE: Circa 1810-1820

PLACE OF MANUFACTURE: Probably Pennsylvania

MAKER: Unknown

LENGTH OVERALL: 8 3/4 inches

BARREL LENGTH: 4 1/2 inches, part octagon, part round; rifled

CALIBER: .388

WOOD TYPE: Curly Maple

MOUNTINGS: Brass

BARREL MARKINGS/DECORATION: Sophisticated barrel with rings at junction of

octagonal and round sections. Also, slight cannon muzzle.

STOCK MARKINGS/DECORATION: Fine curly maple with circular shaped butt.

REPAIRS/RESTORATION: None

HISTORICAL/ARTISTIC SIGNIFICANCE:

PROVENANCE: William M. Locke collection

Ray Carter collection

PUBLICATIONS: Pictured in S.E. Dyke, "Thoughts on the American Flint Lock Pistol",

1974, Shumway, page 16.

COST:

ESTIMATED MARKET VALUE AND DATE:

Thoughts on the

AMERICAN FLINTLOCK PISTOL

S. E. Dyke



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WILLIAM M. LOCKE COLLECTION

(Plate 148)

(Top to bottom)

MATCHED PAIR KENTUCKY PISTOLS

Brass bbls. 8\%" oct. and rd. .463 cal. smooth bore. 14" o.a. Furniture silver. Silver heart shape escutcheon on "wrist" engraved "J G", (probably Jerry Goodwin) who was a captain in 32nd Regiment of Infantry. His Commission, as Captain "To run from the 18th day of March 1813," was signed by President James Madison and James Monroe, as Secretary of War. Both bbls. inscribed "Philada". Counterplate on one engraved "Philada,"—on the other "Liberty".

KENTUCKY PISTOL

4" oct. iron, smooth bore bbls. .32 cal. P/L. Bbl. dividers of brass. Butt cap and "Tear-drop" escutcheons of engraved silver. Bbls. revolve. T.g. serves as hammer spring. Bbls. inscribed "Present to W.H. Harrison President of U.S. Jonas Hess Gunschmith in Heidelberg Township, Pa." 8" o.a.

Note: Dillin's Kentucky Rifles-Page 108.

J. Hess, Lehigh County, Pa. His descendants were making P/L rifles as late as 1852.

Wm. Henry Harrison-Inaugurated in March 1841-died April 1841.

KENTUCKY PISTOL

41/4" oct. and rd. iron bbl., rifled. Unmarked. .388 cal. Brass furniture. 83/4" o.a. Lock stamped "P P Irving Warranted".

KENTUCKY PISTOL

61/8" oct. iron bbl.—smooth bore. 10" o.a. .45 cal. Made without t.f. Bbl. marked "Jas. Golcher Warranted".