



The Parker Gun

PARKER BROTHERS
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Meriden, Conn.

August 20, 2013

Parker shotgun, serial number 165194, was ordered by the Charles Parker Co. 32 Warren St. NY to be shipped to S.W.C. Trexler at the Racquet Club of Philadelphia on November 25, 1914 and shipped on February 3, 1915. According to Parker Bros. Order Book No. 91, it was a AHE hammerless, 12-gauge. It featured Acme steel barrels with a length of 30 inches. The stock configuration was a capped pistol grip. Special instructions were: chamber 2 3/4", scroll engraving no game, no guard ornaments, and nice stock. It was requested to target the gun using both New Schultz and DuPont powder and advise which makes the best pattern and is the quietest. The RH barrel was 284 and 287. The LH barrel was 297 and 282

The price was \$225.00 plus \$18.75 for ejectors.

Parker Bros., Remington Arms Company Inc. and others repaired and reconfigured guns as a major part of the gun trade. Over the years, this Parker may have undergone changes to suit its owners, either at the factory or other competent facility. Complete factory return and repair records **do not exist** therefore our research team cannot comment, report, or have any responsibility for work performed. It is important to note that those Parker records remaining are hand written and show considerable fading from their age. The research committee has done its best to interpret and report our findings in answer to this request and assumes no responsibility for the recorded accuracy or other work completed.

Sincerely,

Chuck Bishop

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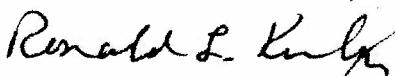
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Dear

Parker shotgun, serial number 165194, was ordered on November 27, 1914 and shipped on February 3, 1915 to the Charles Parker Company's office in New York City. According to Parker Bros. Order Book No. 91 it was an AHE hammerless, 12-gauge. It featured Acme Steel barrels with a length of 30 inches. According to the ledger Parker was to duplicate the dimensions of another gun, serial #134979. Its stock configuration was a capped pistol grip. The specifications were: Drop at Comb: 1 5/8", Drop at Heel: 2 5/8", Chambers: 2 1/4" and Weight: 7 pounds 8 ounces. The pattern was recorded as: R - 284 & L - 297 [pellets] of shot. Special requests include, "scroll engraving no game, nice stock and no gold ornaments". Its price was \$225.00 with an additional \$18.75 for ejectors.

Parker Bros., Remington Arms and others repaired and reconfigured guns as a major part of the gun trade. Over the years this Parker may have undergone many changes to suit its owners. In the past twenty-five years concerns for restoration and preservation of the old Parkers have revitalized interest in the "Old Reliable", and today it leads the list of collectible American shotguns. The quality was built in; if it says Parker it is still the "Old Reliable".

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald L. Kirby".

Ronald L. Kirby, Executive Director
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