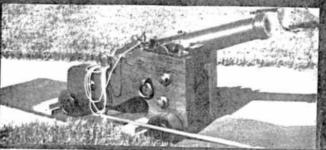
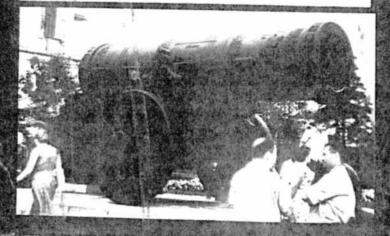


LANTAKA: Indigenous to Philippines, according to apparently good authority, and showing convergence of Spanish and Oriental design. Made in sizes from two feet or so in length to six or seven feet, in all grades of quality.



ABOVE: Signal gun from sailing ship Wanderer.

RIGHT: Unidentified field signal gun, apparently mid-19th century. Specimen shown is worn out from long use; design and similar others indicate production.



ABOVE: Great Siege Gun of Moscow (Tsar Pushka), 16th century.

UPPER RIGHT: 15-1hch Rodman, Fort Moultrie.

RIGHT: Ministure Rodman bearing Fort Pitt Foundry markings; possibly a patent model.

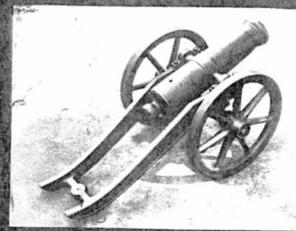
RIGHT: Dahlgren bast howitzer, field carriage, 1852. From an original drawing.

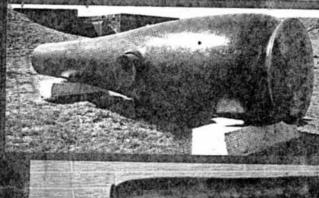
LOWER LEFT: 18th quntury Spanish gun, Pratt

Institute campus.

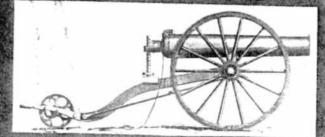
LOWER RIGHT: 19th century Spanish gun, Three

Oaks, Michigan.













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September 1, 1994

It was nice hearing from you again and I'm glad to hear you're feeling okay.

Concerning the model of the 20" RODMAN that I sold to you years back, here is information that I hope will help you.

There are two guns that I know of, one is at Ft. Hamilton, Brooklyn, serial #1, and one in Sandy Hook, New Jersey, serial #2. Both guns weigh about 116,000 lbs and throw a ball 1,000lbs 20' in diameters. The guns were cast in 1864, 1865 the one in Fort Hamilton is dated 1865. They were cast at Fort Pitt Founding.

They test fired starting with 50lbs of powder till they got to 200lbs.

At 2001bs the ball went 8,000 yards and of course broke any window in the area.

The model is a factory model and probably the only one around.

There was no target that could stand up to such a gun.

Hope that this will help you. Hope to hear and see you soon.

Your Friend,

Denny Pizzini