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Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter dated 23rd. February.

The cased set of 14 gauge Westley Richards muzzle loading shotguns No's. 9209-9210 were completed making here on 4th. May 1859. Beyond this, we regret that we are unable to help you in the matter of to whom they were originally sold. You will appreciate that, after so long a lapse of time - only a few weeks short of the century - our records are comparatively meagre.

In reply to your further query, it would not be possible for us to make up a gun of this type today. None of the individual parts are now held in stock or obtainable in this country and it would be a most expensive matter if such a gun had to be made up by hand with each part made separately. However, we do have quite a few of these weapons and similar of other makes through our hands from time to time and, as you say, there is currently a heavy demand from your Country for this type of gun. A shipment is presently on the way to Mr. A. D. Walker of All Sports Inc., 4317, Excelsior Bvde., Minneapolis and a very nice pair of Purdey percussion guns has recently been sold by us to Mr. H. E. Vanderwater of 2441, Pleasant Avenue, Minneapolis, 4. This latter gentleman is also, we understand, a dealer and at the time of last writing had not disposed of the Purdey guns. Whether this information would be of interest to any of your members we don't know, but we would, in any case supply you direct if any of the guns listed by us periodically are required. Our latest list is enclosed.

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Yours faithfully,
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