

Churchill

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5.6.69

Kenneth Iskow
(The Sportsman's Dog)

Paul A Hays
6/10/69
waller
7/10/69

~~3256 Prospect St. N.W.~~
~~Washington DC 20027~~
2804 DENNIS AVENUE
SILVER SPRING, MD. 20902

D.B. No.
14180

One 12 Remmere

GUN No.
8503

Blk Green
A Hill
9/2007

Bay 438

BORE 12
 LENGTH BARRELS 26"
 WEIGHT 6-12
 WEIGHT BRLS. 2-12 1/2
 BORING R 1/4
 L 3/4
 PULLS R 4 1/2
 L 5
 CHAMBERS 2 3/4
 PROVED 3 1/4 T.O.
 RIB Churchill
 ACTION Best
 TRIGGERS 2
 BALANCE
 ENGRAVING in catalogue
 SPL. INST. auto safety
 PREVIOUS GUN

STOCK QUALITY Best oil finish
 BEND 1 1/2 x 2 3/4 \$1500/yr
 LENGTH 15 7/8 15 3/4 x 15 7/8 16 1/8
 CAST off 16 1/4
 STAND Full forward (NOT B/T)
 HAND Straight
 GRIP Full
 HEELPLATE Blue heel & toe plates with
 checkering in between
 engraving Hays only
 LETTERS Gold over
 CASE Best canvas with leather
 corners
 and equipment
 STAMPING
 WANTED
 DELIVERY INST.
 DEPOSIT PAID \$500

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DATE OF DESPATCH AIR FREIGHT. 1/10/11

Gasbard

MURDEY & SONS.

Gun Engraver

AND FLORAL WORK, LETTERING, PICTORIAL SCENES,
AND GOLD INLAY ON NEW AND ANTIQUE WEAPONS

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HERTFORDSHIRE,
ENGLAND.

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26 DESBOROUGH CLOSE,
BENEGOE, HERTFORD, HERTFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND.
Telephone : 433 6123

11th February, 1974.

Geoffrey,

It is very nice to hear from someone on the receiving end of my

and the culprit that engraved your gun.

A 'Premiere Model 8503' was dated 13th August, 1970 and invoiced by me
number, 1970.

policy to sign all my work, however there are one or two guns of
circulation that did go through unsigned, your's may be one of them.
Remove the trigger guard of your gun, you should find the single name
'G' engraved on the trigger plate around the hole into which the guard is reamed.
his position as I didn't think Churchills (or any other gunmakers) would want to
name in full view on one of these guns. Quite understandable!

have been of some help to you.

When you are visiting Britain again you are welcome to call on me, I should be pleased

Yours sincerely

Geoffrey Gasbard.

Geoffrey Casbard

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CLOSE, BENGEO, HERTFORD, HERTFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND.

Telephone: 433 6123

16th June, 1974.

hear from you again.

to learn of where others live, farming, round
to earn a living.

you about Hertford.

town of Hertfordshire and is 28 miles from London
ing area with a fore bit of light industry through

ence of Hertford was in the year 673, just over 1300
as a small clearing in a very large forest.

years later a castle was built to protect the town
later became one of the many homes of the Kings.

the castle left today, most of it having been
17th century.

century that ~~the~~ last event of any real interest

high street a guy by the name of Stone, set
settlement of Hartford, Connecticut.

working population commute to London to earn

'one setting up on my own.

ding a good quality gunsmith, prepared to do

Chapman, of 2, Orchard Close, Ridgewell, Essex,
my working life, is a first rate craftsman
ers of setting up his own business and
ear from you if you care to write.

to about my engraving.

were trained by the same man, Harry Hall,
is time, so I guess some of him must have
(big headed doesn't it?)

-(dare I say it, the best), but he doesn't have
take nearly 50% of my time, mostly with large

2% and the remaining 10% goes to whoever comes

among how busy I am, If you would like me
on, when it is ready, it will be a pleasure for

your next trip to Britain.

Yours sincerely,

Geoffrey Coakland.