

Arms, Edged Weapons and Militaria

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LONGARMS

89
AN INDIA PATTERN FLINTLOCK MUSKET,
 early 19th Century,
 the 39in. barrel with bayonet lug, breech
 with proof, lock plate with incised line
 decoration, ring-neck cock and crowned
 GR. full stock with brass furniture, sling
 swivels and associated ramrod,
 140cm. (55in.), barrel patinated.

£400-600

90
**A FLINTLOCK BAKER RIFLE FOR
 VOLUNTEERS.**
 by Richardson, early 19th Century,
 the 30in. barrel with seven groove rifling,
 approximately .65 calibre, front sight and
 bayonet lug, fixed rear sight, proof, lock
 plate with incised line decoration and signed
 in script RICHARDSON, ring-neck cock,
 full stock with cheek rest, brass furniture
 with scrolled trigger guard and the tang of
 the butt plate inscribed with D above 36 and
 A.R., sling swivels and steel ramrod,
 115cm. (45½in.), some minor denting to butt.

The initials AR are probably those of the
 Ayrshire Rifles.

£600-800

91
A FLINTLOCK MUSKET.
 by Bumford, circa 1745,
 the 41¾in. barrel with front sight and struck
 at the breech with London proof and initials
 IB and maker's mark, approximately .69
 calibre, plain lockplate signed BUMFORD,
 swan-neck cock, full stock with brass
 furniture, four ramrod pipes, sling swivels
 and a brass escutcheon inscribed
 CHRISTIAN HEINEKEN 1745, wooden
 ramrod, the butt stamped with 29,
 148cm. (58¼in.), the cock associated, and repair
 to fore-end.

JOHN BUMFORD is recorded as a London
 gunmaker working in the Minorities and
 supplying The Board of Ordnance, East
 India Company and the Hudson Bay
 Company. He was Master of the
 Gunmaker's Company in 1751.

This weapon appears to be a privately
 made version of the Artillery carbine.

£600-800

92
A SAXON FLINTLOCK JAEGER CARBINE,
 by Jacob Friese, Dresden, circa 1750,
 with signed octagonal barrel rifled with seven
 grooves, folding leaf sight, brass lock-plate,
 full stock with brass fore-end cap, the cheek-
 piece carved as a monster with a putti and
 acorns, wooden trigger-guard, brass mounts
 including trigger-guard finial, butt-plate,
 side-plate and ramrod pipes, with a wooden
 ramrod with brass tip,
 overall length 95.2cm. (37½in.), barrel cleaned
 bright, small repair by trigger-guard finial.

£900-1,000

93
**A COMPOSITE GERMAN FLINTLOCK
 WALL-GUN,**
 early 18th Century,
 with heavy octagonal sighted barrel, deeply
 struck with a mark at the breech, the plain
 rounded lock struck with the mark IAK(?)
 over a bird within a heart, and full stock with
 simple iron furniture,
 overall length 146cm. (57½in.), metal with bright
 'arsenal' finish, worn overall.

Provenance: Previously in a Swiss arsenal,
 probably the one at Lucerne.

£600-800

94
**A FLINTLOCK BLUNDERBUSS WITH
 SPRING BAYONET,**
 by Jones, Birmingham Proof, early 19th
 Century,
 with two-stage brass barrel, octagonal at the
 breech, maker's mark IR, the top flat
 inscribed BIRM^m, top-mounted spring
 bayonet of hollow triangular section, the lock
 with roller, indistinctly signed GEO¹
 JONES, full stock chequered at the wrist,
 brass mounts including trigger-guard with
 pineapple finial, and wooden ramrod with
 horn tip,
 length 74.5cm. (29¼in.), lock pitted, small cracks
 to stock.

£500-700

95
A FRENCH FLINTLOCK MUSKETOON,
 by Cramon a Bordeaux, circa 1780,
 with two-stage barrel, octagonal at the
 breech and inlaid with faint traces of silver
 scrollwork and the maker's stamps in gold,
 signed rounded lock, semi-rainproof pan,
 roller, the full stock with carving around the
 finials and breech-tang, chequered at the
 wrist, the butt inlaid with a border of silver
 wire scrollwork, brass mounts including
 butt-plate and side-plate, and steel ramrod,
 overall length 107cm. (42in.), chequering and
 carving worn, the cock with short hairline crack,
 lock cleaned bright.

£1,200-1,600

96
**A PERCUSSION SHOTGUN WITH FORSYTH
 SCENT BOTTLE LOCK,**
 by Fenton, circa 1810,
 the 33¾in. three stage, twist barrel
 approximately .74 calibre with small bead
 front sight set at centre of four small inlaid
 arrows, circular for 20in. then with engraved
 band and moulding, short faceted section
 and then octagonal breech with gold line and
 decorative strip, the top flat signed in script
 R. FENTON LONDON, the stepped lock
 with scroll engaging and signed FORSYTH
 & CO PATENT, fitted with a Scent Bottle
 primer numbered 1951 and engraved F
 PATENT within a scroll, with small sprung
 locking bar mounted in the plate, half
 stocked with chequering at the small, the
 butt with cheek rest, blued iron furniture,
 the trigger guard with pineapple finial, pillar
 and scroll, horn-tipped wooden ramrod
 fitted with worm and cap, three ramrod
 pipes, small silver rectangular escutcheon,
 overall 123cm. (48½in.), base plug lacking.

For a full discussion of the Forsyth lock and
 photograph of a similar weapon see Keith
 Neal's and Back's *Forsyth & Co.: Patent
 Gunmakers* (G. Bell & Sons, London, 1969).

£5,000-6,000