

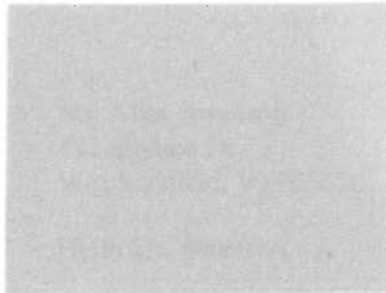
# The Parker Gun

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32 WARREN ST.

*Meriden, Conn.*

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Parker shotgun, serial number 120654, was ordered by A.M. Arnold of Somersville, CT to be sent to A. Cooley of Somers, CT on July 20, 1903 and shipped on September 20, 1903. According to Parker Bros. Order Book No. 61, it was a DH hammerless, 12-gauge. It featured Damascus steel barrels with a length of 28 inches. The stock configuration was a pistol grip. The requested specifications were: Length of Pull: 13 3/4", Drop at Heel: 2 3/4", Drop at Comb: 1 3/4", Weight: 7 pounds to 7 pounds, 2 ounces, and no safety. The requested chokes were: Close, 7 1/2 shot, 1 1/8 oz..

The price was \$100.00.

According to Parker Bros. Order Book No. 63, the gun was returned on September 10, 1904 by A.M. Arnold to set back swill and rebrown barrels. The price was \$5.00. According to Parker Bros. Order Book No. 67, the gun was returned on September 26, 1906 by A. Cooley. His request was to bore RH so that with 3 drs. 1 1/4 oz. of 7 1/2 chilled shot it will target 175. Also requested was to put on Lyman sight 8" from breech of barrel and to straighten stock as near as possible to 2 1/4". The price was \$4.50.

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,

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