# GEORGE SCHREYER, SR & JR, Gunmakers of HANOVER, York County, Pennsylvania



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### FIREARM INFORMATION SHEET

**COLLECTION NUMBER: 9041** 

TYPE: Kentucky rifle

**IGNITION SYSTEM:** Flint

LOCK MARKINGS/DECORATIONS:

DATE OF MANUFACTURE: 1780

PLACE OF MANUFACTURE: Hanover, Pennsylvania

MAKER: George Schreyer

LENGTH OVERALL: 58 inches

BARREL LENGTH: 42 1/32 inches

CALIBER: .45

WOOD TYPE: Curly Maple

MOUNTINGS: All brass (no thumbplate or cheekpiece); lock plate deviates from typical

Schreyer form.

BARREL MARKINGS/DECORATION: G. SCHREYER from breech to muzzle

**STOCK MARKINGS/DECORATION:** Unique, atypical relief carving at rear ramrod thimble, barrel tang, forward of comb on stock, wrist as well as unusual carving for and aft of cheekpiece and outlining patchbox finial. N. B.: relief carved raised panel surrounding butt plate extension.

### REPAIRS/RESTORATION:

HISTORICAL/ARTISTIC SIGNIFICANCE: Artistically a unique and atypical Schreyer rifle

**PROVENANCE:** From the collection of Albert M. Sullivan, Senior, to the collection of Richard Gadler, M.D., California

**PUBLICATIONS:** (1) "George Schreyer, SR. and JR., Gunmakers of Hanover, York County, Pennsylvania", page 112-113, published by Shumway.

(2) "The Kentucky Rifle, A True American Hertitage in Pictures", Kentucky Rifle Association, 1967, page 70.

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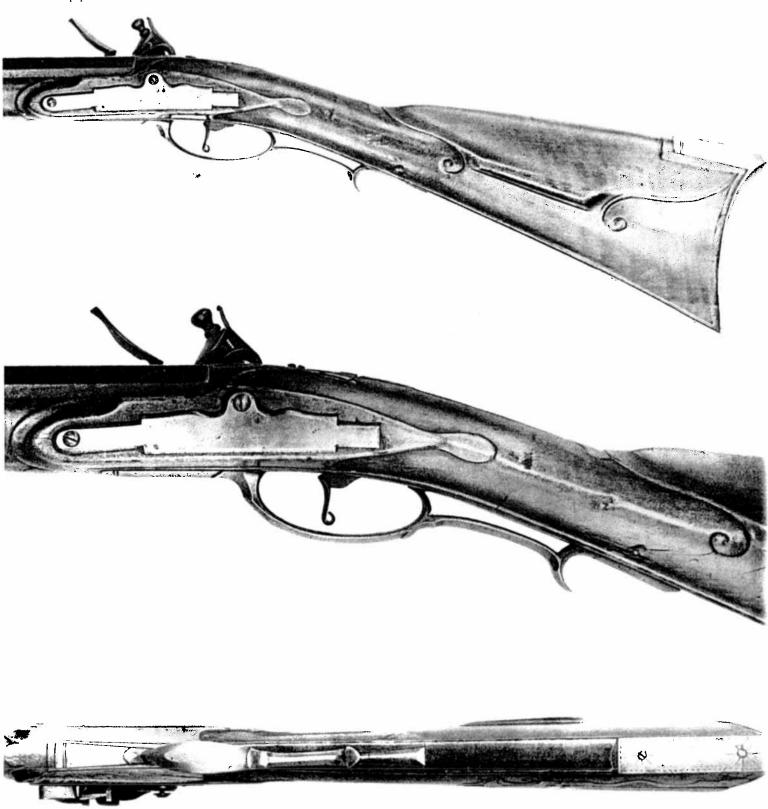
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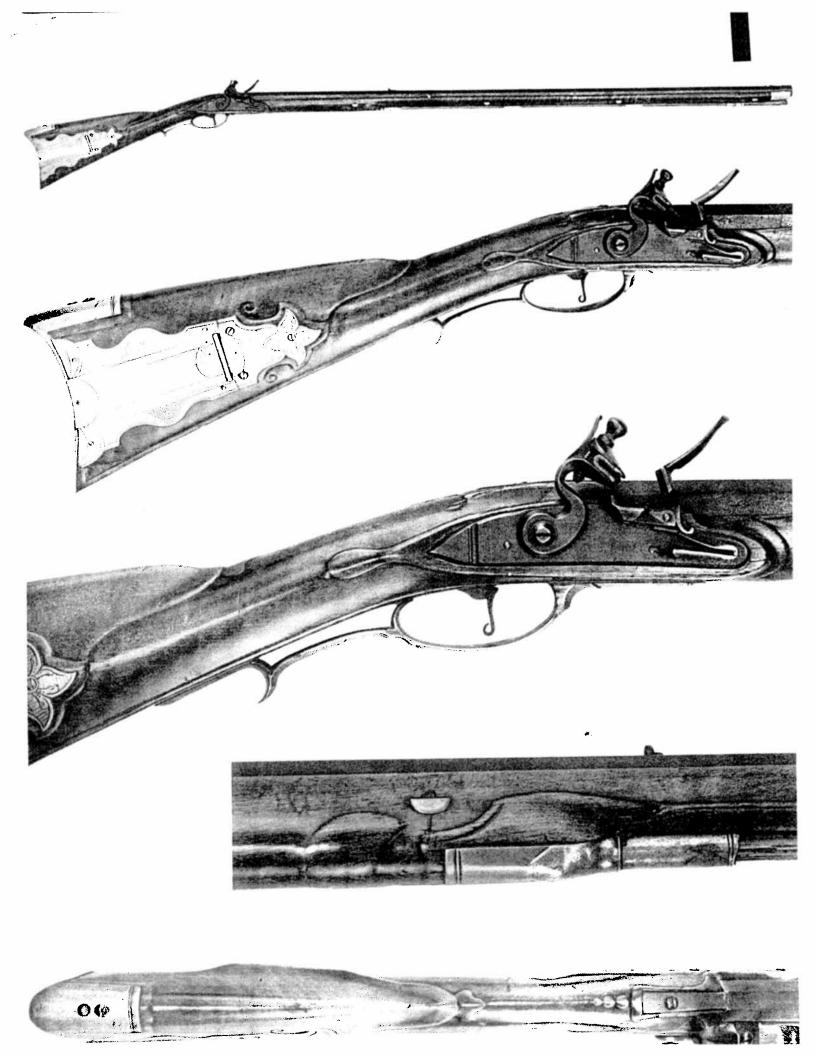
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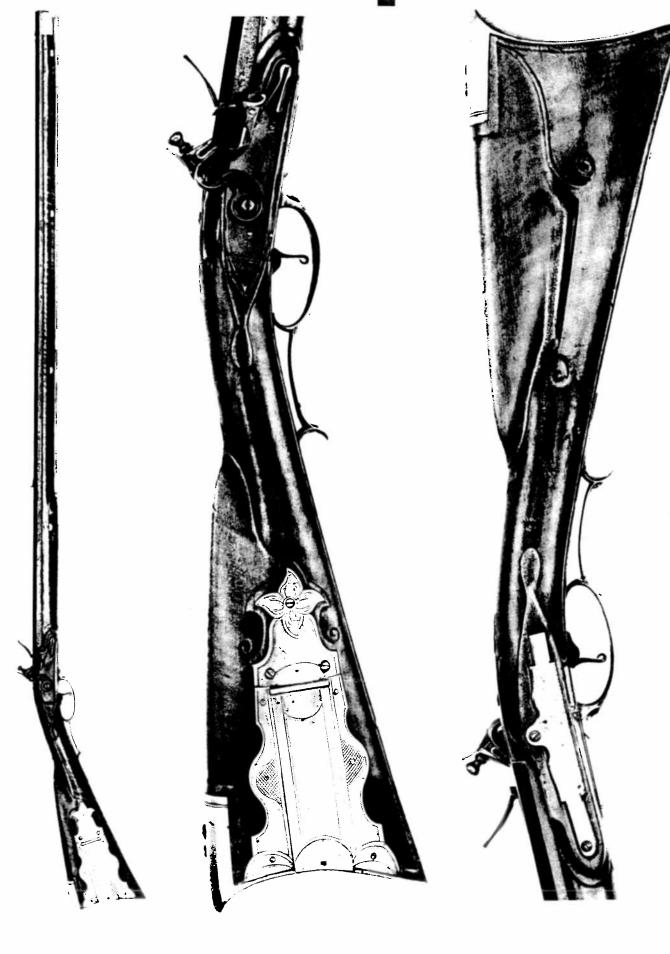
Length overall 58 inches. Octagonal smoothbore barrel 42 1/32 inches long, .45 caliber. Lock-plate length 5 3/32 C 13 5/16; G 31/32; H 1 25/32; I 4 3/4; J 1 7/8; K 1 9/32; L 1 15/32; M 1 1/2.

G, SCHREYER

The top flat of the barrel carries the usual script signature, "G. Schreyer". The four-petal flower design used on the patchbox finial is not unusual for a Schreyer rifle, but it is unusual to have the finial outlined with relief carving that terminates in a pair of volutes. This piece also is unusual for the very minimal amount of carved decoration on the left side of the butt-stock. But there are other small surprises on the stock, such as the small figure carved at the front end of the comb, and the three connected balls to the rear of the barrel tang, and the curious carved details around the rear ramrod pipe.







Signed G. Schreyer. Hanover, Pennsylvania. Length 58 inches. Octagonal barrel 42 inches long, 50 caliber smooth bore. Relief-carved curly maple stock. Albert M. Sullivan, Sr. collection.

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