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March 16, 1961

Mr. Eugene M. Schwartz, Pres.
Moore & Kemple Hardware Co, Inc.
218-220 North 5th Street
Lafayette, Indiana

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

Trust by now you have received the fine Springfield 1855 pistol/
carbine.

Enclosed herewith are the three original handwritten papers which
belong with this gun as follows:

- #1 - Original handwritten letter "Memo of Arms and Parts Delivered
To J.T. Ames, January 15, 1858, etc." By U.S. Army in which is
included this exact pistol/carbine.
- #2 - Original letter From Superintendent, Springfield Armory, 1858,
Introducing J.T. Ames To Commandant of Enfield, England Armory".
- #3 - Original tissue copy removed from the original letter book
of the Ames Factory addressed to James H. Burton (later Confederate
Chief of Ordnance) asking him to return the pistol/carbine accidentally
left by Ames at Fenton's Hotel in England.
(Also recently made printed copy of same letter for ease
in reading.)

You may use this letter as a testimonial by myself that these three
letters and the 1855 carbine shipped to you (and as described in my
Catalog #50, as Item #483) have always been together and that they
were purchased together direct from descendents of James T. Ames
and as part of the famous Ames Estate.

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Joan D. Galie
Brunhilde Boehm

(Witness) STATE OF CONN. SS
COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD:
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO THIS
17th DAY OF MARCH 1961



Superintendent's Office,
United States Army
Springfield, Jan'y 8. 1855

To the
Commandant of the Army
at Enfield, near London.

Sir; I desire to commend to
your favorable notice, the bearer James
T. Ames, Esq. of Chicopee, Massachusetts.

Mr. Ames is one of the most
extensive manufacturers of Gun machinery
and Ordnance, in this Country. He visits
England as the Agent of this Army.

Any act of politeness to him extends
will be regarded as an act of civility
extended to this Army, & will be recipi-
cated, should opportunity offer, by

Yr. Obedt. Servt.

James C. Whitely
Superintendent

Memorandum of Arms & parts of Arms
delivered J. T. Ames Esq. January 15, 1858.
contained in two boxes.

Box No. 1. one Rifle Musket, Model 1855.
" " one Bullet Mold; one swedge; 1 Spring vise;
" " one screw driver; one Ball screw; 1 Wiper;
" " one Cone ; one Tompin; 1 Turnbla
" " and band spring punch; Two Locks, complete.
" " One Pistol carbine Model 1855.
" " one Spring vise; one screw driver;
" " one Ball screw; one Wiper;
" " one Cone ; one swedge;
Box No 2 one Stock (machined only) Model 1855
" " " One Welded Barrel;
" " " One Conesected do;
" " " one altered Percussion Musket Mod. 1844.

W. J. Ames
Jan 15, 1858