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Custer and the Indian Wars 1867-1880

US CAVALRY ENGAGEMENTS

1874-1881 REGIMENTAL ENGAGEMENTS TROOPER/SCOUT PARTICIAPTION

	(Number per year, per regiment)							7 -45	7 - 18	
Year	1 st	Z nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10th
1875		1-0	20	2-0	3—1	2-0		1—1	2-0	3—2
1876		81	6—1	30	6-2	4-2	2-2		1-0	1—1
1877		4-0	3-0			85	2-0	2-2	2-0	3—3
1878	80	5-2		50	2-0	3-0			1—1	
1879	4-0	5-2	6—2		5—1	1—0			12—3	2-0
1880		3-2		1-0		3-3	1-0		12-4	10-
1881	1-0	1-0				5-2	1-0	10	11-7	
Total	130	289	17-3	150	4116	43-14	82	75	42-15	24-

T=Troopers/S=Scout Participation

Note: Ref: Frasca, Book II for Serial number ranges identified by regiment.

Heitman, Francis B. Historical Register and Dictionary of the US Washington DC Govt. Printing Office, 1903 Vol's I & II.

This catalog contains the largest groups of historic Custer guns ever offered for sale. These are exactly the type guns that Custer and his men rode to their destiny with during the Battle of Little Big Horn in Montana on June 25th 1876, when General Custer led his famous 7th Cavalry against the overwhelming Sioux and Cheyenne Indians who were led by Chief Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse. The 7th Cavalry were stationed at Fort Abraham Lincoln, near Bismarck, Dakota and had recently been re-armed with these new, Springfield model 1873 Trapdoor carbines .45/55 caliber. The 7th Cavalry's report to the War Department, just 3 months before the famous battle, lists 629 Springfield .45 caliber Trapdoor carbines for the 9 companies that formed Custer's 7th Cavalry regiment. Custer rode into the fight on June 25, 1876 commanding companies C, E, F, I & L and lost his entire command, as well as, all their weapons were captured by the Indians. Major Reno commanded companies, A, G & M and Captain Benteen commanded companies D, H & K and with Custer's pack train, over 50 additional troopers and scouts were lost during the battle.

While 1st Model 1873 carbines between serial number 1 and 43,700 are considered possible Custer 7th Cavalry carbines, a much more likely grouping is in the 16,000-22,000 serial number range and 31,000-36,000 range as more carbines in this serial number range were re-captured from the Indians or returned to the US Armory for repair after the battle than any others. Custer and his men were not only outnumbered, they were out gunned. The Indians by this time had traded for the new Winchester repeating rifles, whereas Custer and his men were armed with these single shot carbines. As in most battles 20% of the men did 80% of the fighting and their carbine barrels heated up, causing the cartridges to jam and making it impossible for the trooper to reload during the battle. Many of these carbines illustrate rough usage, including using the blade of a side knife to extract the cartridge.

In 1879, the US Army ordered all of these 1st model 1873 Springfield Trapdoor carbines to be returned to the Springfield Arsenal where they were disassembled for parts and later destroyed because of Custer's defeat in this battle. The Trapdoor carbines in this catalog avoided this military recall by way of Indian capture, US Army & Indian scouts, deserters and renegades; thus these overlooked secreted guns are much rarer than anyone has previously recognized.

In my opinion, these rare and historic US Cavalry carbines are among the best collectable, hard assets to own. Having access to the largest collection and the inside track on their true rarity will, over time, enhance the desirability and the value of these few surviving guns. Truth be known it was 10 regiments of cavalry and 25 regiments of infantry organized in 1867, after the close of the American Civil War that really "Won the West".



Lot 1

INDIAN CAPTURED - CUSTER CARBINE #18852 - 7th CAVALRY CO. C

(Lot 84) In a letter written to a collector/client in Colorado dated Aug 2, 1983, the highly respected collector dealer, Edward Benson of Kansas City, Mo; wrote: "I purchased this gun from an individual who found it in the woods in Montana."

The stock has many old brass tacks with a large number missing and shows significant use and wear. The serial number located on the receiver was deliberately filed off by it's Indian captor. Recently this carbine was conveyed to the State of Utah Department of Public Safety, Division of Law Enforcement & Technical Services; where the serial number was reestablished through a chemical etching process.

"Microscopic examination revealed the serial number on the weapon to be 18852. In addition, to the right of this number, in a different, larger script was the number Seven (crossed in the middle in the European style) with the letter "c". These symbols appear to have been placed on the weapon after the original serial number and after the weapon had been case hardened. The restored number appears as 18852, **7C**." The letter is signed by the Bureau Chief.

Company "C" was one of five companies that rode with Custer to their death at Last Stand Hill. Company "C" was commanded by General Custer's brother Captain Tom Custer. Ordnance notes No. 115, Oct 1, 1879 records 17 carbines and notes two additional carbines with the serial numbers effaced by filing such as this one, as having been recovered from Indians at Slim Buttes, Montana in October of 1876 shortly after the battle of Little Big Horn. Three of the recorded serial numbers re-captured are in the 18,000 serial number range, which is one of the prime ranges of Custer carbines known to exist. In addition, Captain Henry Jackson, 7th Cavalry turned in serial number 18383 as having become unserviceable after the Battle of Little Big Horn.

In the most complete data base which lists Custer range carbines only 20 carbines in the 18,000 range are known to exist today. This carbine is believed to be one of the only two known to exist as documented by the 1879 Ordnance report, that was captured by the Indian's during the Battle of Little Big Horn, then recaptured from them by the US Cavalry at Slim Buttes, Montana. A historically important and rare Battle of Little Big Horn Custer's 7th Cavalry Carbine.

Accompanied by: Forensic Analysis and Provenance

\$130,000













The Chart on page 2 illustrates the officially recorded battles and deployments of the US Cavalry in the West. The number of patrols, escorts, scouts, battles and countless months of deprivation dealing with weather, terrain, shelter, forage, food and water must have been staggering. Rough use of these trapdoor carbines and their eventual destruction by the government has resulted in only a few surviving 1st model Custer range trapdoor carbines. It is also interesting to note that the African American "Buffalo Soldiers" were among the most heavily engaged cavalry regiments.



Lot 2



Lot 3

Another early serial #3166 Springfield trapdoor carbine; it is interesting to note that serial # 3146 and 3197 were re-captured from Sioux Indians at the Battle of Slim Butte's just a few months after the Little Big Horn. It maintains a faint US military cartouche and still has the saddle ring & bar. \$6,85w0\$



Lot 4

A perfect Custer-Little Big Horn range Springfield trapdoor carbine serial #18426; it is important to note that Custer's scout, Crow King, surrendered serial #18489 just after the battle of Little Big Horn; and Captain Jackson under orders from Benteen turned in serial #18383. There can be little doubt that this gun was at Custer's Last Stand. It is a great Indian usage gun with stippling along the stock and a faint US military cartouche.

A RARE 7TH CAVALRY 1ST MODEL 1873 TRAPDOOR CARBINE WITH WINCHESTER SHELL EXTRACTOR



Rare 1st Model 1873 Trapdoor carbine, modified by the 7th Cavalry at Fort Lincoln after the Battle of Big Horn. The butt plate has been modified with a Winchester style sliding trap to accommodate a cleaning rod and broken shell extractor. The March 31st ordinance inventory for the 7th Cavalry indicates that approximately 1050 1st model carbines were issued to the regiment. About 660 of these carbines were in the hands of troops at the LBH fight and approximately 350 were retained in stores at the Ft. Lincoln Depot. Given the grave consequences of carbine jamming at the Little Big Horn fight, the Ft. Lincoln Depot began immediately to modify the carbines from storage with a rather crude hand crafted, Winchester style sliding trap – to accommodate a three piece jointed metal cleaning road and broken shell extractor. Over the years, a small group of historians & researchers have examined and recorded serial numbers. To date, 20 serial numbers have been recorded. One of these carbines is in the Archives at the LBH National Park site. These carbines were issued to the 7th Cavalry in mid October 1876, when the restored 7th regiment re-engaged the scattered hostile Sioux and Cheyenne. The 7th participated in the Nez Perce's fight in September 1877 and remained deployed in the region until 1887. This rare and significant 7th Cavalry Carbine will enhance any private or museum collection. Serial #22727

\$12,000



Springfield 1st Model 1873 Trapdoor carbine. SN #18404. Issues to the US Cavalry in 1874, it is important to note that Serial #18409 was surrendered by Crow King and Serial #383 was turned into the arsenal by the 7th Cavalry in 1877.

\$6,850

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Lot 7 Custer Range US Springfield Trapdoor carbine serial # 21270

> Captain Benteen turned in serial # 21313 after the Little Big Horn battle

A rare Custer range 1^{st} Model 1873 Trapdoor carbine serial # 21270 in the prime Custer 7^{th} Cavalry range from the Battle of Little Big Horn. The 21M range carbines represent the largest group of 7^{th} Cavalry Indian & trooper identified carbines documented to date. This carbine #21270 is one of less than 30 carbines in the 21M range known to exist. Historically, it is important to note that serial #21209 was recaptured from the Indians shortly after the Custer battle. Additionally, serial #21313 was turned into the Springfield Arsenal as unserviceable shortly after the battle by Capt Benteen, who commanded Companies D, H & K of the 7^{th} Cavalry during the Battle of Little Big Horn. This gun has a very high probability of being used at the Custer battle, as it falls firmly between two documented 7^{th} Cavalry Little Big Horn used Trapdoor carbines.

Lot 8

Another perfect Custer-Little big Horn range Springfield trapdoor carbine serial #21135; eleven positively identified 7th Cavalry carbines exist within this range, including # 21023 & 21313 turned in after the Battle of Little Big Horn. No saddle ring and the swivel cut have been cut out by its Indian captors.



Only a handful of the 31000 serial range trapdoors are even known to exist today and this serial #31066 is one of only five known. The 10th Cavalry also received issues in this serial number range. This gun has just as good a chance of being a Buffalo soldier's gun as it does one of Custer's troopers. Dark patina with no saddle ring or swivel.





Key Custer range carbine SN# 36879. It is important to note that Carbine SN#36451 has been proven to have been at the Battle of the Little Big Horn. Only five carbines in this range have been discovered. Nice patina with no saddle ring as issued.





Lot 12

A very late serial #42256; however serial #42259 was captured from the Sioux at Slim Butte's shortly after the Battle of Little Big Horn. This carbine is in excellent condition, well cared for and serviceable, not likely captured or Indian usage, yet a rare gun from the area of conflict. It is one of the best condition carbines in the Guns of the West Collection \$\$8,900\$





Lot 13

Model 1877 Trapdoor carbine SN#75719, rare, long wrist 1st Model stock keyhole trap with cleaning rod included. Excellent 90% original finish, sharp clean 1877 cartouche and firing proof. Rare high arch breach block. A premium 1877 carbine \$8,400





Lot 14



Lot 15 Springfield Trapdoor Serial #112560, Model 1877. In .45/70 cal faint cartouche. Less than 3000 of these rare models were issued to the US Cavalry after the 73' was removed from service after the Custer battle.



Lot 16 Model 1879 Springfield Trapdoor Carbine, Ser#131981. The model 1879 serial numbers start at approx. 100,000 and Wery good end at approx 280,000 for all types. 15,000 in this range are carbines. Carbines under approx 135,000 are eagerly sought because they are possible 7th cavalry re-issues.



Lot 17 Springfield Trapdoor Serial # 382309, Model 1884 trapdoor carbine made ca. 1886. This was the last model carbine issued to the US Cavalry, it was issued with a Buffington rear sight which was a significant change as it had much more versatility. While it replaced the Model 1879, it was the standard carbine used during the last days of the Indian wars by the cavalry.





Lot 19 Model 1873 Trapdoor Rifle 1st Model with Metcalf cartridge holder. The Metcalf cartridge holder was used in the field and is rarely encountered. 1st Model 1873 rifles have become scarce on the collector's market and values have increased significantly. The first model carbines and rifles were ordered to be turned into the Springfield armory because of physical deficiencies and replaced initially with a limited number of 1877 models only to be quickly replaced by the Model 1879 which was the largest group to serve the US Military. The turned in 1873 models were disassembled by the armory and parts sold or scrapped. Existing model 1873 trapdoors in original condition had to evade the recall, by way of army deserters, or Indian capture.

Very good \$1950



Lot 20 Indian altered Springfield 1861 rifled musket; photographs of Indians in the post civil war era holding stock modified Springfield muskets and rifles with decoration using period cast brass tacks are often seen.

Very good **\$2700**



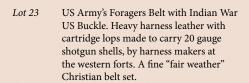




Lot 21 Springfield Model 1888 "experimental" positive cam rifle. In excellent, almost new, condition. This is one of the rarest Springfield guns, as only 100 of them were made in 1888. A must for the most advanced collector or museum collection. Serial #415109



Lot 22 Springfield Model 1881 US Trapdoor Forager Shotgun 20 gauge serial #548. A total of 1376 of these forager model Very good trapdoors were manufactured in 1881-1885. They were used by US troops in the field on the western frontier when scouting for small game. The metal is gray and the stock exhibits the usual wear of frontier usage.







Lot 24 A Very Rare 1st Model Allin Conversion 1865

Allin Conversion Model 1865 Breech-loading rifle modified from an 1861 Springfield US Rifled Musket. This is the very first conversion employing the trapdoor breech block mechanism by the Springfield Arsenal. Using a .58 Cal. Rim fire cartridge, only 5000 of these guns were converted under the Allin patent. There are likely less than 500 of these rifles existing today and they rarely come onto the collecting market. Their Cartridges themselves are extremely rare.

Very good, wood loss around near hinge point of trapdoor mechanism



Lot 25 Allin Conversion Model 1866 rifle. Designed by Erskine S. Allin and altered at Springfield armory using Model 1863, 3-band percussion rifled muskets, made famous at Wagon Box fight at Fort Kearney. Jim Bridger was chief of scouts and Bill Cody named his 1866, rifle Lucretia Borgia, which is currently on display in the Cody Museum, Wyoming. Sitting Bull used a prized 1866. Many 1866's were captured and used by Plains Indians during the Indian wars.

Very good **\$1600**



Lot 26 Allin Conversion Model 1865 Rifle, Springfield US breech loading rifle Cal. .58 rim fire, modified from an 1861 Springfield rifled musket 2 band variations. It has the correct 26 inch barrel with the two band stock.

Very good \$1400



Gatling Gun - Model 1876 on Original Carriage "The Custer Gun"

Lot 27: This model 1876 Gatling Gun is considered a Classic among collectors. Only 18 of this particular model were ever made and only 7 exist today. It is the most desirable of all Gatling guns both for it's visual appeal and the fact that it is considered "The Indian War Custer Gun." The M-1876 was the model that General Custer had for the 7th Cavalry in Dakota Territory but decided not to take on that fateful day at Little Big Horn.

This serial number #179 Model 1876 Gatling gun was sold by the U.S. Government to Bannerman after the turn of the century, who kept it as a display and never offered it for sale until his company closed in the 1950's. We believe that Don Toppel purchased it from Bannerman (he authored the book "The Gatling Gun" in 1971.) A private collector in New Jersey bought it in the 1970's, owned it for approximately 10 years and sold it to another collector in New York in 1988. I purchased the gun directly from him in October 1999. It is without doubt, the finest Model 1876 Gatling gun in existence and the "only one" in private hands .

\$330,000.



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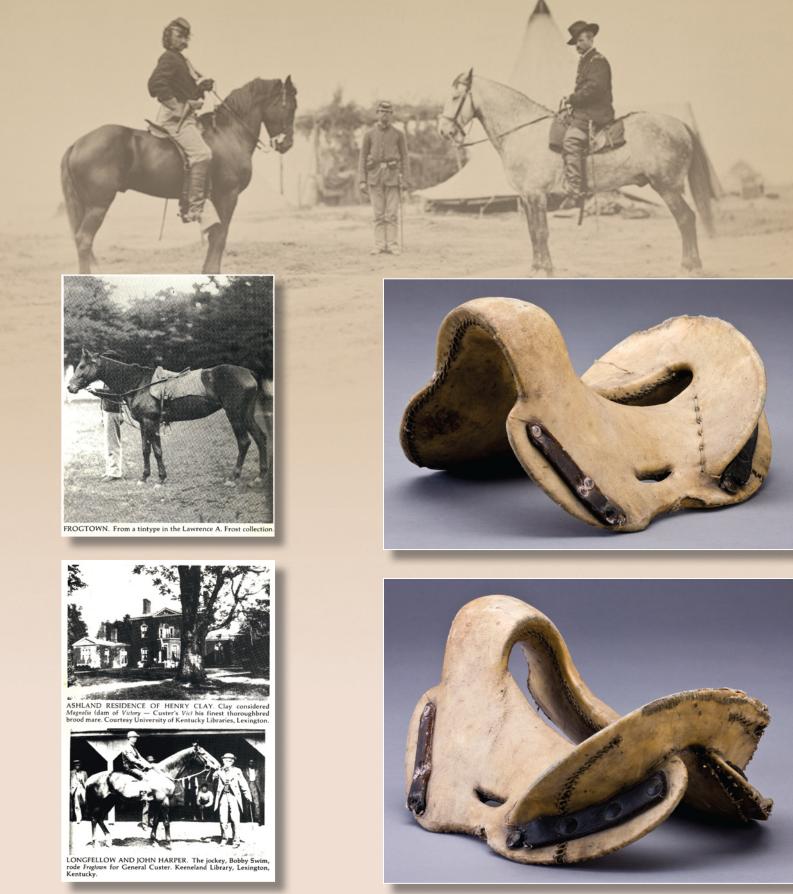
Lot 28

Custer's 7th Cavalry Colt Single Action Army SN# 5147 Revolver and US Holster

This rare gun is just one serial number away from a documented 7th Cavalry Colt Single Action. Custer and his men carried these into the Battle of Little Big Horn along with their Springfield Trapdoor Carbines. Custer's entire command lost all of their weapons including their Colt revolvers. Many of these weapons were recaptured from the Indians less than a year later at the Battle of Slim Buttes and sent back to the Colt factory or Springfield Armory where they were refurbished and fitted with a shortened barrel. They were then reisuued as Colt Artillery models, extensively used in the 1890s when Roosevelt's Rough Riders charged up San Juan Hill carrying the Colt Artillery model. A remarkable gun with a remarkable history accompanied with a letter of authenticity by John Kopec.

\$14,500

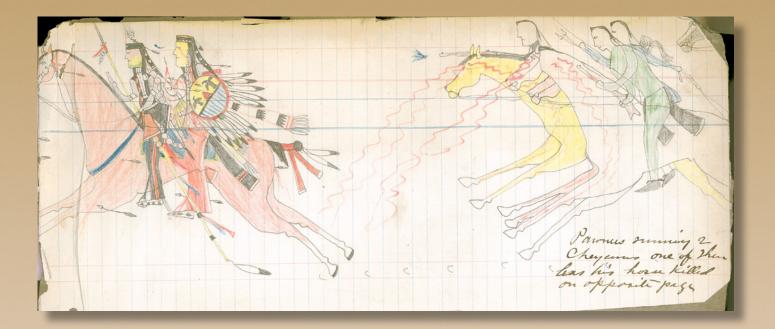
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Lot 29

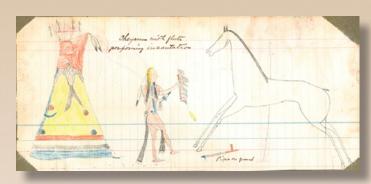
Custer's Racing Saddle, illustrated in Frost's book and purchased from General Custer's Family in Monroe, Michigan ca. 1870's

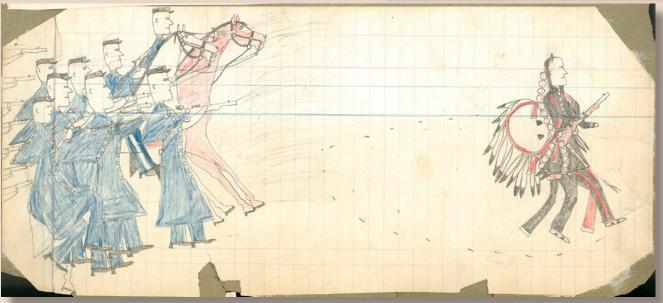
While Custer actively campaigned against the Plains Indians, he was also active in Lexington, Kentucky racing thoroughbreds. His race horse 'Frogtown' won many a Kentucky horse race and this was the saddle he wore. A vellum tree, being a scaled down McClellan saddle of the Civil War era, this was General Custer's Racing Saddle. An excellent horseman, Custer knew the value of a light and well made saddle in battle and on the racetrack. Accompanied by a letter of provenance from Dr. Frost and the Custer family; as well as, this very saddle is illustrated in all the books on Custer's thoroughbreds. The\$54,500 ultimate Custer horse gear.



Lot 30

7 Cheyenne ledger drawings from Capt. Tilton's 20th US Infantry family album, depicting scenes from the Battle of Little Big Horn, originally discovered by Norm Flayderman along with Capt. Tilton's Uniform and military papers. Tilton married a Cheyenne woman at Fort Reno where these drawings were done for him by a Cheyenne warrior & in-law





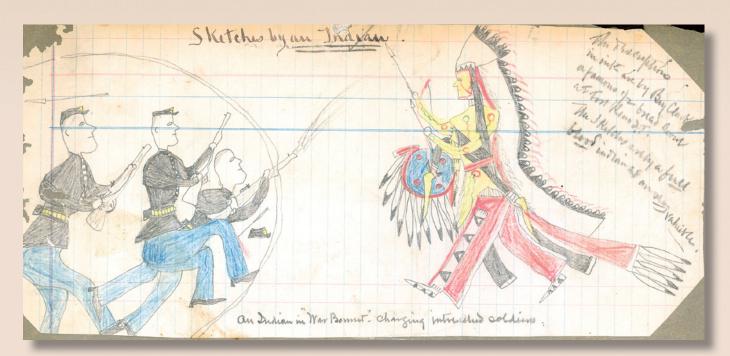
Of all the ledger books/drawings I have owned these are amongst the finest and my favorites. The battle scenes are wonderful and historical. The oval portrait was only discovered after we removed the pages from the family album and depicts a US cavalry trooper's "Last Resort" killing himself before being massacred at the Little Big Horn. It is known that a lot of Custer's men vowed to hold the last bullet back for themselves. The two ledger drawings on this page depict the Cheyenne drawing out Custer's men into battle; it is documented that the Cheyenne warriors did most of the killing during the battle of Little Big Horn.



This is my favorite plains Indian drawing of all time. It depicts "8" Cheyenne War Chiefs rallying the villages to battle and delivering War Medicine to the various Cheyenne encampments in the Big Horn Valley, in Montana 1876.



These drawings depict a Warrior performing an Incantation to protect his horse during the upcoming battle. His peace pipe has been thrown onto the ground; and lastly, drawing of Custer's men on horseback charging two Cheyenne Warriors who are protected by the War Shield's from Custer's trapdoor carbines. While Capt Tilton's uniform and other family papers have already been sold, these ledger Drawings are intact and complete. They all measure 8 by 14 inches and all have defects to the edges, but the colors are bright and they are completely original and Unpublished! "7" Cheyenne Ledger drawings in pencil & crayon drawn at Fort Reno by a Cheyenne warrior who took part in Custer's Last Stand; they were drawn for Capt. Tilton who was married to a Cheyenne woman. Ex: Norm Flayderman\$59,500



In this drawing Custer's men are dismounted and entrenched, shooting it out with their Springfield Trapdoor carbines; while a lone chieftan wounds one of them with an arrow thru the knee.



Lot 31 3rd US Cavalry parade dress helmet,
Prussian style with long yellow died horse
hair. C. 1874. With appropriate piping and
pale lemon yellow chest cords. Excellent
condition.



Lot 32 US Indian Scout slouch hat with red and white cord and pin and "USS – crossed arrows" pin worn primarily by Mescalero Apache scouts for the US Armey. C. 1880's. Excellent condition

\$3800

Lot 33 US Cavalry Officer's Boots with original brass spurs. C. 1870-1880's. In excellent condition.

\$1550





The earliest known Indians Wars Uniform 1st US Dragoons from Kansas to Oregon

The rarest U.S. Military uniform, they guarded the Wagon Trains on the Santa Fe Trail and the Oregon Trail

Lot 34

1st United States Dragoons, Company "A". The rarest U.S. military uniform still in private hands. A superb Sergeant Major single breasted Frock Coat with Eagle "D" button, collar and shoulder scales insignia. Accompanied by it's original buff sword belt, and equally rare Dragoon Shako hat ca. 1840's. Being the only Dragoon Officers uniform known to exist (Even the US Army nor the Smithsonian have this in their collections). The Dragoons were the forerunners of the US Cavalry and were stationed at Fort Scott in Kansas on America's western frontier and played an important roll in protecting America's Westward Expansion.

From Fort Scott Kansas they provided armed escort led by Capt Phillip St. George Cooke for wagon trains and traders on the Santa Fe Trail, latter they went overland to protect the early settlers on the Oregon Trail. They surveyed the unmapped northern plains and maintained peace amongst the Plains Indian tribes, armed with Halls breech loading carbines, heavy pistols and two cannons. They first met the Sioux in 1845 near Fort Laramie and brought about a Peace between their Pawnee enemy, who were awed by the Dragoons firepower, that they believed the Dragoons were "a new and superior white people" and agreed to leave the overland settlers wagon trains alone.

They accompanied General Kearny on his military expedition to claim – Oregon for America as President Polk wanted American's to control all of Oregon "or go to War ,54 -40 or Fight" was their motto, indicating the latitude that the boundary with England was contested over. They were the first US Military force to cross the Continental Divide. The 1st Dragoons opened the way for all of the other US Cavalry units that followed it on the western frontier. This is the only known Dragoon Officer's uniform in existence.

\$130,000







Lot 35 Spencer Carbine Indian use civil war gun serial #28823 in .56/52Cal. With significant evidence of Indian use. The stock has been shaved extensively, the sling bar removed, brass tack plains Indian decoration is classic for the 1870's period. Most of the tacks are missing with some broken, their square shanks are visible. The Spencer was an Indian favorite and ammunition was widely available on the frontier. This is one of the finest known Indian usage Spencer's in existence.

Rough \$8250



Lot 36 Spencer carbine Model 1865 Serial #676 "Indian Wars" made in 1865 approximately 30,000 of these cavalry carbines were purchased by US Army, serial numbered in early range this is one of the first Spencer's made in 1865.

Very good **\$2200**

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Lot 37 **Indian used Spencer** Carbine ca. 1860's

Spencer Repeating Carbine - Indian use ca. 1860's. This carbine is a civil war .52 cal rim fire (56-56) and exhibits classic Indian use with period tacks and patterns typical to northern plains tack decoration. The Spencer carbine was a favorite of the frontier and ammunition was widely available to the Indian tribes on the Great Plains. This is Museum Quality Indian tacked gun

Very good \$6400



Lot 38 Spencer Model 1865 Carbine serial # 11881 issued to the US Cavalry in 1866. A very Rare Nez Perce Indian usage in .56-50 cal. Issued to US Cavalry regiments in the west from 1865 to 1874. They saw extensive service along with Sharps carbines until the famous $1873\ Springfield\ Trapdoor\ 45/70\ carbine\ became\ the\ US\ Cavalry\ standard\ issue\ in\ 1874.\ This\ carbine\ was\ collected\ directly\ from\ a$ Nez Perce family from the Coalville Reservation, near Brewster, Washington and the Columbia River. The action has several notches filed along the edge, the Nez Perce' struggle and fight led by Chief Joseph is well documented in western history, and his famous quote "I will Fight no More" is legendary. A rare Nez Perce warrior's carbine.



Lot 39 Spencer Repeating military rifle Serial# 2543, in .52 cal. 1863-64, with 11,470 delivered. Custer's 5th Michigan Cavalry was armed with rifles Ser#100-1550 this rifle is 1000, numbers above & was delivered pre-Gettysburg. An early rifle. Modified by US Army part's in 1865, with stabler cut off, rounded frame slot and beveled hammer face.

Very good \$2800



Lot 40 Spencer Sporting Rifle in .56/46 cal. Half stock Spencer with Octagon barrel and single set trigger. These rifles often referred to as Spencer Buffalo Rifles used a special .56/46 bottle neck cartridge to achieve the maximum range possible with the Spencer's feed and ejection system They were manufactured during the waning day of the Spencer Arms company following the civil war. Spencer was bought out by Winchester and became part of western history.

Very good, wood loss \$3450 along wrist stock



Lot 41 Sharps Model 1853 US slant breech carbine serial# 10107. John Brown Model brass hardware. Serial range from \$4350 9000 to approx 19,000.



Lot 42 Remington #1, Rolling Block Heavy Barrel Sporting Rifle Serial #6482, in .44/77 cal. Scarce Indian usage rifle well worn with an overall dark patina. The .44/77 along with the .50/70 was the pre-eminent cartridges used in the early 1870's for buffalo hunting. The extractor on this rifle was broken early in its use and a sharp implement used for cartridge extraction has worn a deep grove in barrel breech. Two rude X's have been carved into the stock along with several notches are carved on left wrist. Many independent buffalo hunters fell prey to marauding Indians seeking their gun and ammunition. A great historic gun of the western frontier of museum quality.

Good \$4750

Lot 43 Buffalo hide hunter rifle scabbard. Made from a flint buffalo hide with harness leather synching straps. The rarest of the buffalo hunting accouterments. Sized to accommodate the largest of the Sharps or Remington buffalo rifles.

\$4500







Lot 45 Early Belt Set

Cartridge Belt for Buffalo Hunter. Roller buckle made of Brown Leather. \$3100

\$2550

Lot 44 Buffalo Hunting "
Skinning Set" ca. 1870

A rare and large Buffalo Hunter's Skinning set, loaded with eight skinning knives in original frontier made saddle/boot leather case with leather belt. A wonderful showpiece, this belt saw a lot of use during the early days of Buffalo Hunting on the western plains.







Lot 46

Lot 47

Lot 48

Lot 49

A French-Indian War Pipe Tomahawk from the Chandler-Pohrt Collection ca. 1750's

A very early Great Lakes region warrior's pipe tomahawk has hand forged frontier made iron blade, engraved on both sides with a three petal French "Fleur de Lis" design, stippling along the bottom edge of the blade, and perfectly round bowl on original haft with dark patina throughout. Size 22 inches long, with 7 inch blade. Accompanied by Pohrt Letter of Authenticity, Ex: Chandler-Pohrt Collection \$9,600

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Lot 50 Geo. Jones Original Flintlock London 1790, brass barrel trade pistol with pre 1813 proofs.

Fine \$2250





Lot 51 W. Ketland & Co. original Flintlock trade pistol iron barrel with brass band near muzzle. Acorn tipped trigger guard. Unbridled pan pre 1813 Birmingham proof marks. Attractive early pistol with wrist escutcheon.

Fine \$2475





\$1750



Lot 53
Early Great Lakes Pipe Tomahawk with screw on Brass Bowl ca. 1770's





Lot 54. Prairie Indian tribes Iowa, Kansa or Winnebago ca. 1800 Lewis & Clark era, cold-stamp marking by the frontier blacksmith that made it, "CH. W. Bonsten," "Stars and crossed Arrows & Tomahawks" stamped onto the blade, with a screw on silver pipebowl, short 7 inch blade \$3,400



Lot 56. Great Lakes French & Indian War ca. 1760, frontier made with intricate file work and a raised Diamond design around the eye, 7 inch blade \$2,400

INDIAN TRADE GUNS 1790-1860



Lot 57 W Ketland & Co Chiefs Presentation Fusil. The fusil has a Bow & quiver design engraved into the side plate. The stock wrist is raised carved around the barrel lug tang. A classic Indian Head escutcheon.

Very good \$5200



Lot 58 Indian Chief's Grade
Trade musket ca. 1830's

Ketland & Alpert Indian Presentation Fusil ca. 1830's. Hogs Head & Horn on side plate & butt plate. Indian Head silver wrist escutcheon. Bow, quiver, shield & arrow side plate, trigger guard decoration. Iron ram rod; R.°W. Stamp between London proofs.

Very good



Lot 59 Hudson Bay Indian Trade Gun ca. 1870

Indian Trade Fusil by Barnett in original percussion configuration ca. 1870. Seated Fox Hudson Bay impression on lock plate. Brass wire wrist repair on stock. Numerous early high crown brass tacks in an Indian Council Ring tacked pattern on right side of stock. Additional tacks run parallel to brass butt plate. Large brass serpentine side plate.

\$6350



Lot 60 Hudson Bay Indian Trade gun with Serpentine side plate

Barnett Indian Trade Fusil in .54 cal with brass serpentine side plate. The fusil exhibits extensive field use with no visible marks or dates evident. The Running Fox impression on the stock near the butt is visible as well as a faint Hudson Bay Tombstone Fox on the lock plate.



Lot 61 Indian Flintlock Fusil Parker Field dated 1870 serpentine side plate very popular with Indians in the remote northern regions where cartridge ammunition was often scarce and not available, (i.e.) Blackfoot, Flathead, and Blood & Cree. Shows significant use.

Very good **\$5950**

Early Plains Rifles



John Dreppard , Indian Chief's Grade Flintlock rifle converted to percussion. The records of the American Fur Trade Company are very complete at the NY Historical Society Library. They include orders for Flintlock Lancaster rifles made by John Dreppard, Lancaster, Pennsylvania Dec 30, 1830, for 24-30 rifles. These original records include reference to double set triggers and stained maple stocks with checkered grips. Identical to this gun which is believed to be part of this 1830 contract with the American Fur Trade company.

Fine \$7950



Lot 63

T. Ketland Chief's grade presentation Northwest Fusil in .54 cal. Early London proof markings, converted to percussion. Hogs head on lock behind hammer and small headed fox in circle on barrel forward of London markings on barrel which has been a shortened to 32". Octagonal to round portion of barrel is 15 inches. High crown brass tacks on each side of wrist; fancy brass wrist escutcheon. 5-1/4" long tang terminated, two large screws fastened with small screw toward the tit. Large wide butt plate extends 4" on top of engraved butt stock. This gun speaks volumes of frontier Indian usage.



Lot 64 Model 1807 US Flintlock "Indian carbine" in .54 cal and dated 1809 with 33 ½ inch barrel total issued of 1,202. This is the 1st Official US Arsenal made carbine also the 1st Indian Department order. Converted to percussion as 99% are unless re-converted.

Very good Plus \$8600









Lot 65

St Louis made full stock Flintlock Rifle with engraved Hawken-style Eagle Head patch box ca. 1820's

Perhaps the most famous gun in early western frontier history, the Hawken rifle is among the most Important of all Plains rifles. This is a very ornate and significant Hawken, Kentucky full stock rifle in .45 cal. The rifling is classic Hawken, being 7 wide bands with narrow groves having the Hawken 48 inch twist, and the barrel is stamped with individual letters "Hawken". The only known signed Sam Hawken full stock flintlock is illustrated in "The Hawken Rifle, its Place in History," by Charles Hanson, Jr. and noted as being in the collection of Wm. Reisner of Colorado - and is priceless! This rifle has an identical Eagle head patch box.

A large silver escutcheon is engraved with the Federal Eagle and inlayed into the cheek piece. The lock is stamped Rogers Brothers, Phil (1809-46), the trigger is double set and the butt plate toe has a patch box release button. A patch box attributed to Christian Hawken is illustrated on pg 202 of "Kentucky Rifle patch Boxes" vol. 2 by Chandler & Whisker and two other patch boxes are illustrated in "Gunsmith's of Maryland," by Hartzler & Whisker; none even come close to this rifle's eagle head patch box which is identical to one made by Samuel Hawken.

The high quality of this Hawken and the identical patch box raises the obvious question - is this gun made by Sam Hawken? Early correspondence between him and the military commander at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas confirms that Sam was eyeing the western trade, and a .45 cal bore qualifies this rifle for western use. Regardless of the actual maker, this rifle is of a very high quality, from a family of famous gunsmiths and will be a centerpiece of any public or private collection. The full length is 43 inches (just under 4 feet long)\$11,500

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Lot 67

Revolutionary War Officer's Flintlock

Revolutionary War Officer's Flintlock pistol circa 1770s. Believed to be a Hessian officer's horse pistol as the British hired German mercenaries to fight against the American colonists. Ornately carved walnut stock with brass mounts on a long barrel 3800



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The most important **Native American Indian** weapon still in private hands, recently discovered in British General Brock's family.

1 of only 4 Shawnee War Clubs known to exist and the only documented **Tecumseh War Club**

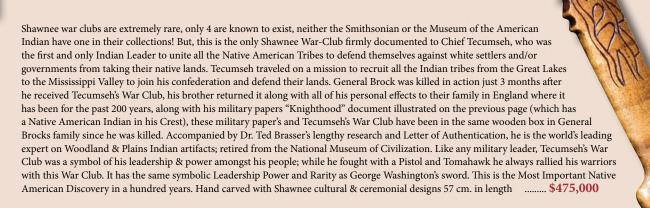


"(Governor William Harrison), you have the liberty to return to your own country ... you wish to prevent the Indians from doing as we wish them, to unite and let them consider their lands as common property of the whole ... You never see an Indian endeavor to make the white people do this ... Sell a country! Why not sell the air, the great sea, as well as the earth? Did not the Great Spirit make them all for the use of his children? How can we have confidence in the white people?"

-- Tecumseh, 1810

"Where today are the Pequot? Where are the Narragansett, the Mochican, the Pocanet, and other powerful tribes of our people? They have vanished before the avarice and oppression of the white man, as snow before the summer sun ... Sleep not longer, O Choctaws and Chickasaws ... Will not the bones of our dead be plowed up, and their graves turned into plowed fields?"

-- Tecumseh, 1811







R. Johnson1836 military pistol in .54 cal. made in 1842 and issued to the 7th US Dragoons stationed in Santa Fe, New Mexico during and after the Mexican War protecting the traders along the Santa Fe Trail. A fine and historic Army pistol with conversion to percussion and clearly stamped on the stock S.F. 7

\$1750



Lot 69

Lot 70 Pennsylvania Rifle Works Percussion rifle .46Cal. These rifles were used primarily on the western frontier. Item Very good no. 140 in table VII of Ordnance notes #115 of Oct 1, 1879 lists "small arms captured from hostile Indians" included in this list is a Pennsylvania Rifle Works rifle that had been captured from the Plains Indians.





Lot 71 W. Ketland & Co. original Flintlock pistol iron barrel crown military proofs and broad arrow. Barrel shortened \$1250 with brass muzzle band attached, a Belgian proof is stamped behind the "London" stamp on barrel.





Lot 72 American Flint Lock Pistol with lock by C. Bird & Co, Philadelphia ca. 1810-20. Octagon to round barrel 58Cal. Very good \$1850 Possible use in war 1812; Pennsylvania Makers Arms were popular on western frontier where it was common for trappers and mountain men to wear several pistols. Especially handy while sleeping & trapping.



Lot 73 US Army Model 1807/08 Musket

Bridgewater Flintlock Model 1807 Musket, .69 Cal with a long 41" Barrel ca. War of 1812. It has a 2nd style butt stock, with a overall white metal patina. Several variations of this gun are known to exist

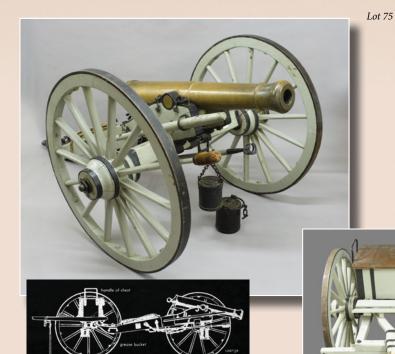
Very good



Derringer Model 1814 US Army Flintlock Rifle .54 Cal. A contract for 2000 of these rifles was awarded Lot 74 to Derringer during the War of 1812. This rifle is considered to be an improved full stock version of the Model 1803. This US Army Derringer contract gun is rarely seen on the collector market.

Very good plus condition

\$5800



Model 1841 6 lb. Field Gun and cassion from a California museum. A very rare and unique bronze canon on original carriage, with the original matchingcassion and limber. A complete and matching artillery canon set approximately 26 feet long, originally issued by the US Army and made by Ames in Springfield, Massachusetts. Captured during the American Civil War and used by North Carolina volunteers, it is stamped "North Carolina 1862" on the trunion straps and "CSA" on the drag of the canon carriage. The cassion and limber carriage is a mixture of both US and Confederate Army parts. All the iron is blacksmith made, and wood on the carriage is roughly hewn. Another remarkable feature is the barrel of the canon is in near mint condition with a wonderful bronze patina. This canon has been kept inside since the 19th century - 99% of the canons that exist today are either painted or have a dark green patina from being weathered. This canon found its way west during the Indian Wars and has never been on the market before. Recently deassessed from a private California museum. It is listed in Wayne Starks "Big Gun" book as being private ownership with North Carolina Markings

\$125,000









Lot 76 Model 1836 Flintlock Pistols by R Johnson dated 1842, 54 CAL. 8-1/2' barrels. An improved version of the model 1826 and the last martial pistol produced in flintlock. Regarded as the finest made, handsomest, and most reliable of all military flintlock pistols. They were primary arms of dragoons in the Mexican war. The metal has turned a Gray/Brown smooth patina with traces of case on hammer area. The stocks are pristine with excellent cartouches overall fine condition.

Excellent \$6250



Lot 77 Model 1836 Hall/North US Breech loading percussion carbine in.58cal. Accompanied by a Triangular integral bayonet blade by Simeon North ca. 1834-39 just 2000 of these guns were produced. The model 1836 is historically significant since it was the 1st percussion weapon and breech loader officially adopted for military service globally. Les than 100 are estimated to exist today, this model is rarely seen on the collector market.

Fine \$5900

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In excellent condition, supple fabric with no conservation or repairs, the Republic of Texas uniform coat buttons are listed as Albert No. 11 and cuff buttons are Albert 8v, the trousers were published in Albert's book in 1979 on pg 8. The Republic of Texas Light Artillery led an important roll in Texas Independence and the state of the stateand they were still an active unit during the Civil War, serving in Waul's Texas Legion. A museum showpiece and the only 1 in existence!

The only known Republic of Texas **Uniform trousers with TEXAS Light** Artillery buttons ca. 1836

These are the ONLY known Republic of Texas uniform trousers still in existence. They were discovered by Dewey Albert, the leading expert/ author on American Military Uniforms & Buttons. The trousers were authenticated by the National Textile Museum; the fabric curator stated that the white silk corduroy came from one of two fabric mills in New England and was made ca. 1835, and that they are the earliest surviving fabric from those mills. There are '24' TEXAS Light Artillery coat buttons along both outside seams of the trousers and '2' TEXAS Light Artillery cuff buttons remaining on each pocket. The buttons alone are worth more than what we are asking for the trousers. But to preserve the historical Integrity of the only surviving example of a Republic of Texas uniform, they are being offered Intact. A true museum showpiece, this is really what the Texian Army looked like! The buttons are used in a southwest concho style decoration along the pant leg. Other examples of this button are from dig sites near San Jacinto where Sam Houston defeated and captured Santa Ana. 4 feet tall, Ex: Albert Collection \$65,000

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Lot 80 French Flintlock Horse Pistol. During the civil war the Confederacy was desperate for arms of all kinds. Thanks to the English/French rivalry with the United States, France made a significant number of their Charelville Flintlock .69 cal. Horse pistols available to the Confederate agents. The pistol is the original configuration and in very good condition.

Very good \$950





A French Flintlock Horse Pistol, ca 1800

A French Flintlock Horse Pistol, ca 1800 of the Lewis & Clark era with a regimental stamp $^{\circ}20^{\circ}$ on the stock; a heavy .50 cal sidearm for the Fur Trader. \$850



Lot 82 Colt "under lever" Baby Dragoon. This revolver is in very good condition with discernable cylinder screen. A favorite with the 49ers during the Gold Rush. Fine condition. Serial #14100

\$11,500



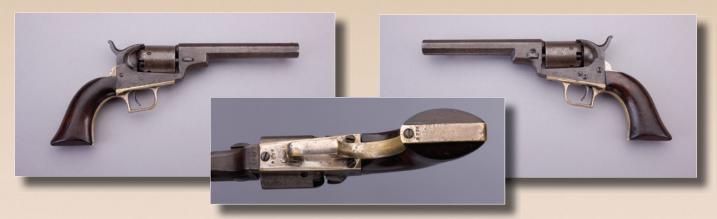
US Model 1835 Heavy 12-pounder Field Howitzer Serial #1





Lot 84 Colt 3rd Model Dragoon Revolver Serial #17451 martially marked dragoon fitted for shoulder stock. The revolver is a 4 screw with a dovetailed folding rear sight and has a relatively uniform brown patina. Formerly in the Dupont collection.

Fine \$11750



Lot 85 Colt Baby Dragoon Revolver all matching oval cylinder stops, 5" barrel, Serial #9338. Overall, very Good \$5800



Lot 86 1860 Army Percussion Revolver Serial #78711. Cartouche faint, original grip, all matching numbers. The 1860 army was the primary revolver of the US in the Civil War. Serial numbers most closely related are 78700-78710 were issued to the 7th Michigan Cavalry. Many of these revolvers were later issued by the US Gov't to Indians as relocation annuity. Approx 38 of this model was reported captured from Indians in ordinance notes 115, Oct 1879.

\$2450





Dragoon Pepperbox, Allen & Thurber Grafton, Mass. ca 1837-42. Fluted 6" barrel, in .36 cal. not Lot 87 engraved. No. 63 between one nipple. No grip escutcheon, wide back strap. One of the best selling handguns of popular early on the frontier with the military mountain men, wagon trains, 49ers etc. Serious competition with colts Patterson revolver used in Seminole, and Mexican wars. This Grafton collected from Paul Henry directly at a Cleveland collectors show. Only a handful known.

Very good \$7200





Grafton Pepperbox, Allen & Thurber, ca 1837 First Allen model and rarest in .28 cal. 3" fluted barrel, engraved frame. Small characters (1/16") Allen & Thurber, Grafton, Mass. Small Allen's patent on side of frame.

Very good plus





Allen's patent dragoon Pepperbox 2nd Model, marked AW Spies, fluted 6" barrel. Lot 89

Very good \$3950





Lot 90 Allen & Thurber Dragoon Pepperbox, transitional Grafton-Norwich. Covered percussion nipples, 5" barrel acquired from Paul Henry & pictured in his book. Ethan Allen and Allen & Wheelock.

Fine\$4300







Lot 91 Pepperbox, Robbin & Lawrence, ca. 1851-54 ring trigger 5 shot .31 cal., barrel length is 4-1/2" fluted, with engraved frame, needs repair.

Very good

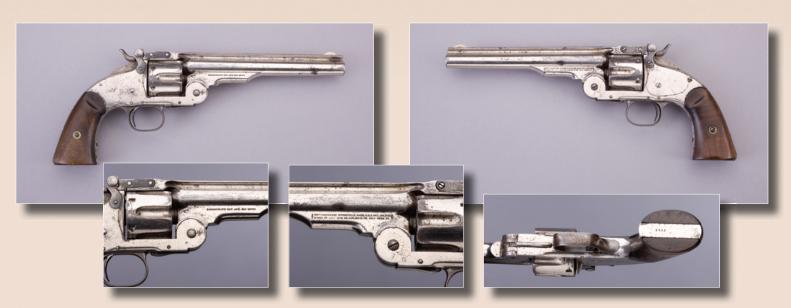
\$800



Lot 92

A Winchester 66' with a Henry Stock #3058; a rare transitional carbine

The Henry rifle was the most famous Repeater of the Civil War. After the war, Winchester bought out Henry and began to issue their famous brass framed Model 66; sometimes utilizing parts from the Henry Factory, especially Henry barrels; however this rare gun has a Henry Stock, configured for a shoulder sling, and martially marked with serial #3058 stamped inside the brass butt plate. It's a unique western gun, serial #134749. The use of the 66' on the western frontier is legendary, sought after by settlers & Indians, who referred to them as "Yellow Boy," because of their beautiful brass frame. It is interesting to note that many of the Indians at the Battle of the Little Big Horn were armed with these Winchester repeaters; whereas Custer's men were carrying the single shot Springfield trapdoor carbines. A unique Winchester/Henry with an interesting connection to the west in transition.



Lot 93 Smith & Wesson 2nd Model Schofield single action "nickel plated" revolver.45 cal with 7" barrel serial #3729 made ca. 1876. While the Smith and Wesson factory records indicate that no U.S. Contract Schofield revolvers were shipped nickel plated, some officers were known to have their revolvers plated by Adams plating company and are quite rare.

Excellent \$8250



Lot 94 $Winchester\ Model\ 1873\ 1^{st}\ Model\ Rifle\ .44/40\ cal.\ with\ special\ order\ 30"\ octagon\ barrel\ \ serial\ \#14175\ made$ in 1876. Less than a dozen of these long barrel Winchester's are known to exist. This rare rifle is published in the Winchester Repeater.

 $Fine\ condition$ \$14,500



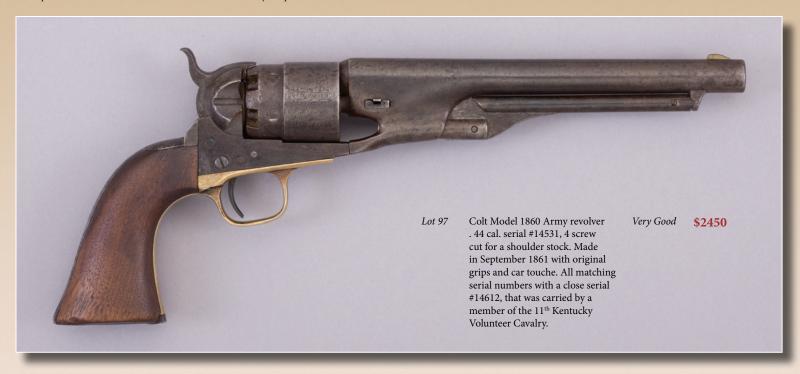
 $Winchester\ Model\ 1873\ late\ 1^{st}\ Model\ saddle\ ring\ carbine,\ .44/40\ cal.\ serial\ \#9336\ made\ in\ 1875.\ This\ was\ the\ first\ Winchester\ Model\ ring\ ri$ Lot 95 \$8100 production lever action model made in this caliber. This is a scarce pre 76' gun and is in fine condition.



Lot 96

Civil War Model 1860 Light cavalry saber

This is the sword used throughout the west, as well as in the east during the Civil War. It has an imported German blade, hilted and issued to American cavalry troopers \$750





Lot 98 US Cavalry Bear Skin Winter Gloves in excellent condition.

\$150

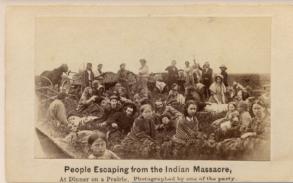


Lot 999

US Cavalry Scouts Pair of Fur Gloves and Fur Hat, lined in bright red wool cloth. Excellent condition \$950

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Sioux Uprising and Massacre in Minnesota circa 1862 includes all the Sioux Leaders and the US Army Officers that captured them!

A historically important collection documenting the 1st Plains Indian War which took place during the American Civil War in 1862 in Minnesota when the Sioux Indians went on the warpath and attacked white settlers, lead by Chief Little Crow (Sitting Bull was still a teenager at this time) they attacked and massacred several families of white settlers in an effort to drive them off their lands. Part of the Sioux strategy was that the rest of America was engulfed in a Civil War and they could reclaim their land, they were wrong in that General H.H. Sibley led the US Army into Minnesota and virtually wiped out the Sioux tribe there. Concluding with the Public Hanging of over 100 Sioux Warriors in retaliation for killing the white settlers. It was a gruesome event in Western History, women and children on both sides were killed. The first organized uprising or Indian War was led by Shawnee Chief Tecumseh (see page 4-5) the next uprising would be led by Sioux Chief Red Cloud (see page 11) when he defeated/massacred an entire detachment of the US Cavalry known as the Fetterman massacre in 1866, all of this culminated with Custer's defeat at the Little Big Horn in 1876 (see page 51). There were ongoing battles against the white man's encroachment on Native American lands, as America fulfilled her Manifest Destiny of expansion. Interesting, that 'Weaponry' from all of these wars are offered in this catalog.

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Lot 101 Indian Wars Officer's Fur Campaigning hat Indian Wars Officer's Fur Campaigning hat with chin strap, commercially made and issued to US Cavalry officers in the field.

Lot 102

Cavalry Officer's gauntlets

Cavalry Officer's gauntlets Civil War/ early Indian Wars, very fine and piped in yellow \$750 12 inches long



Lot 103

US Cavalry Trooper's parade Trousers ca. 1880 in mint condition

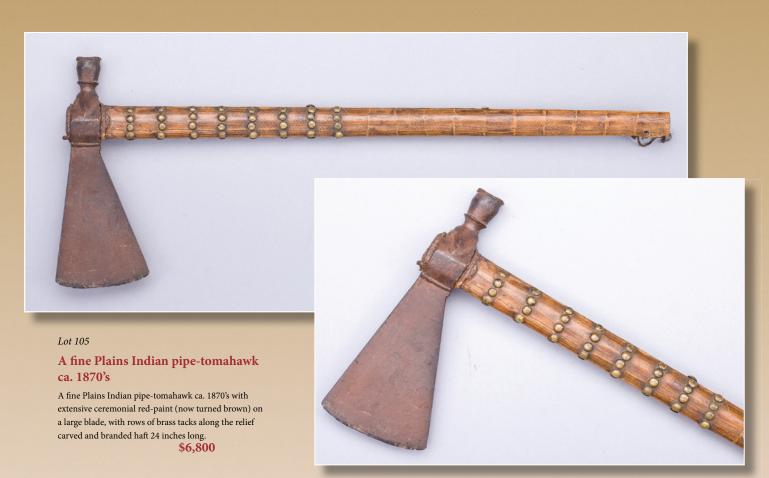
US Cavalry Trooper's parade Trousers ca. 1880 in mint condition, bright colors with large yellow pant stripe and bone buttons, unpadded seat. A superb pair of cavalry pants



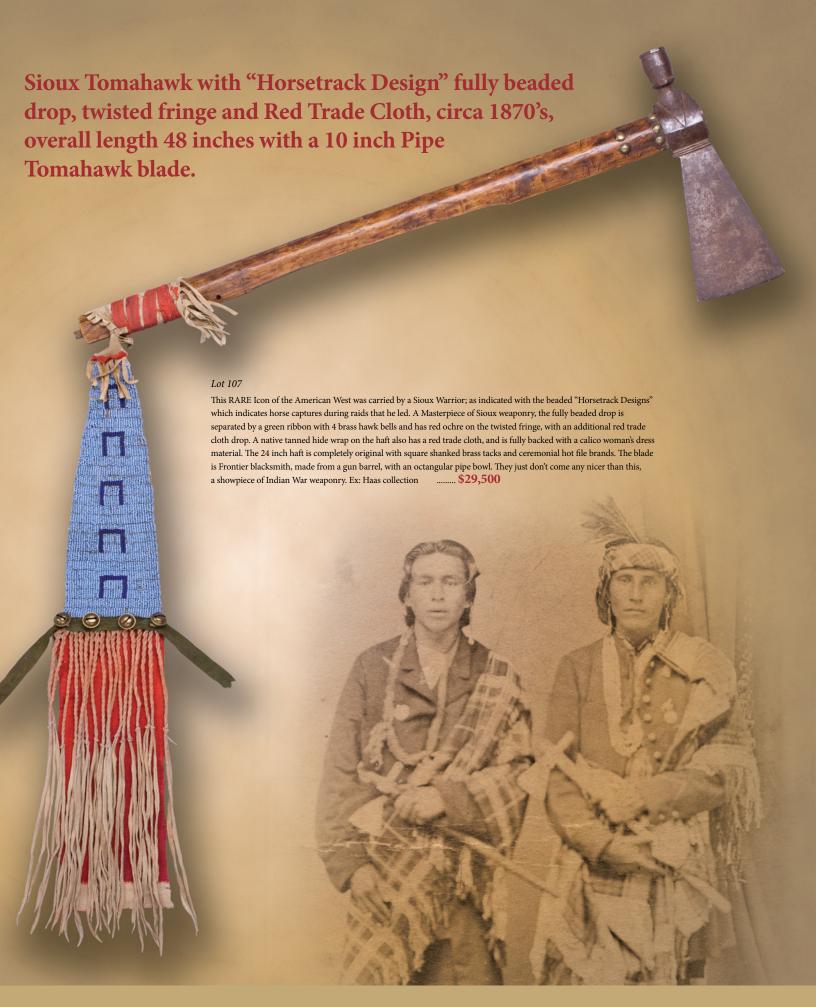
Lot 104 Dragoon Saddle Holster

A very rare US Dragoon Saddle Holster. Frontier made from saddle leather, it held a pair of Colt dragoon revovler's accross the pommel of saddle.1850's to Civil War.

\$1950









An absolutely Superb beaded Crow gun case for a Winchester Model 66' carbine, also known amongst the Plains Indians as the 'Yellow Boy'. Beautiful Crow beadwork hourglass designs on a very unusual blue trade cloth on the nose cap. The butt stock panel is beaded on bright red trade cloth and has wonderful long supple fringe with trade cloth triangular tabs. A real showpiece of Indian weaponry, on native tanned Elk hide, the fringe is 3 feet long, with 12 inch fringe on the butt stock. It held a 66', the wear from the hammer lines up perfectly! A remarkable Crow gun case overall 44 inch long. Ex: Kirk Budd Collection\$32,500





Lot 109

Early Blackfoot Beaded Knife Sheath ca. 1850's

This is one of the earliest surviving Blackfeet knife sheaths in private hands. Beaded in a Maltese cross design with beaded drops with pony beads, all on native tanned Buffalo hide, with trade knife and leather belt loop. It is a remarkable showpiece 10 inches long Ex; Guns of the West Collection \$3,750







Crow Knife Sheath from the Chandler-Pohrt Collection ca. 1870's

A superb Crow knife, painted bright red with triangles of beaded designs interspersed with brass tacks, as well as an 11 inch fringed beaded drop and trade knife. In near mint condition, made on heavy parfleche, with bright colors, including the Red Trade cloth; even the flap is beaded, with a hide belt loop. Overall length is 13 inches and 4 inches wide accompanied by Pohrt Collection Letter of Authenticity, Ex: Chandler-Pohrt Collection \$6,800



An Ultra Rare Puzzle Stem Sioux ceremonial pipe, with 'Pictographic' lead inlay catlanite pipe bowl ca. 1860's

This is one of the finest Sioux "Puzzle Stem" pipes known to exist, magnificently carved with a wooden shell that moves up and down the pipe between the round bulbs. The catlantie pipe bowl is equally fascinating; as it is beautifully inlaid in lead, with a Wagon Wheel on top, stars and buffalo hoofs all around, with a short anterior ridge that firmly identifies this as an early Ceremonial pipe. With custom plexi display stand, overall length 36 inches. \$9,800



Lot 113

Chippewa Lead inlay chorlite Pipe bowls from the Chandler-Pohrt Collection ca. 1870's

An amazing group of these black chlorite pipe bowls that are extensively inlaid in both lead and catlinite stone. The earliest pipe bowl is in the foreground and could date to the 1860's; it is also the smallest. They range from 4 to 6 inches in length, and generally sell for \$2500 apiece, accompanied by Pohrt Collection letter of Authenticity, Ex: Chandler-Pohrt Collection; all 3 of these pipes bowls .NET as one lot. \$6,800



Lot 114 Crow Woman's Tacked Belt Set ca. 1870's

An extensively tacked Crow woman's complete Belt set, with a 5 inch wide belt with native tanned hide cinch, along with a split tail drop all heavily tacked in a box design on commercial harness leather 3 feet long \$900



Lot 115

Cheyenne square bottom knife sheath ca. 1870's

A beautifully and fully beaded Cheyenne knife sheath in a scarce style with a square bottom, bright powder blue beaded field with Cheyenne designs along the edge with Tin-cone dangles on the 10 inch long fringe and trade knife. Overall 12 inches long. \$3,900



Lot 116

Northern Plains Indian hide scrapper made from a Gun barrel





Lot 117

A Sioux 'Grip' Knife

A Sioux 'Grip' knife, with native tanned hide over wooden handle, brass tacks near the wrist loop, an excellent example of Plains Indian weaponry 10 inches long \$475







Eskimo Doll, carved of wood, with seal skin clothing & hat ca 1860's

This rare doll or effigy of a full standing man, recently discovered, was collected early at the turn of the 19th Century, 8 inches tall Ex: Nevada City Collection \$7,800



Lot 120

Crow Bow & Quiver case with Red Trade cloth ca. 1870's

A superb northern plains Indian warrior/ hunter bow & quiver on native tanned elk hide with long fringe, and interspersed with red trade cloth, the shoulder strap has numerous native field repairs, and large powder blue Russian beaded drop. Relatively undecorated which is typical of warrior/ hunter bow sets 4 feet long

\$6,800







Lot 121
Sioux Pipebag with Quilled long fringe, and rubbed in bright yellow ochre overall on native tanned hide

A near mint condition pipebag with bold Sioux beadwork designs on a large beaded panel, tin-cone dangles at neck, and beautiful dyed quillwork between the beaded panel and the 18 inch long fringe. A superb Sioux pipebag 3 feet tall \$\text{........}\$3,400



Lot 122 Sioux man's pair of moccasin's in bright carmine red

Sioux man's pair of moccasin's in bright carmine red, with beaded tongues, and fully beaded vamps, trimmed with blue calico trade cloth on native tanned hide 9 inches long\$950

Lot 123

Sioux Pipebag with long fringe and fully beaded panels ca. 1890's

A superb reservation era beaded and fringed pipe-bag on native tanned hide, with tin-cone dangles with yellow dyed horse hair and long supple fringe. Beaded with Tipi designs rubbed with light yellow ochre 3 feet tall \$3,800

Lot 124

Tipi Bag ca, 1870's

Sioux Tipi bag ca. 1870's with extensive quilled linear designs, and large beaded panels on top & sides, tin-cone dangles with yellow dyed horse hair on native tanned hide. A large and attractive tipi storage bag used by the Sioux tribe 20 inches tall and 32 inches long. \$2,800

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Lot 125

Mojave Tribe, California clay doll/effigy ca. 1870's or earlier

Scarce from this California desert tribe. The face is amazing; painted in a luminescent yellow with red face stripes, beaded earrings, and short horse hair. It's wrapped in a native loom recarded wool blanket, with a Mojave design; and within its own cradle made of desert brush. 10 inches tall Ex: Nevada City Collection \$7,800





Lot 127

Crow Mirror Case with long Elk hide fringe ca. 1890's

A superb man's mirror bag, used by Crow men to paint their faces during tribal dances/rituals. It's fully beaded in powder blue beads, with opposing hour glass designs and red crosses, sewn onto sack cloth canvas. The native tanned elk hide drops are a foot long! Overall 27 inches long and in near mint condition. \$4,600





Lot 126

Mojave Tribe, California clay doll/effigy ca. 1870's or earlier

Mojave Tribe, California clay doll/effigy ca. 1870's or earlier. Rare from this tribe, and smaller than above, but from the same collection and collected at the same time. Hand molded and fired in clay, then painted and decorated. Has native loom blanket of recarded wool. A rare and fascinating set of dolls from this illusive desert tribe, 5 inches tall Ex: Nevada City Collection \$3,800



Nez Perce Mirror case, with long Red Trade cloth ca. 1890's

This superb man's mirror bag (mirror still inside) has fully beaded panel in a pink seed bead background. The red trade cloth has brass beads sewn along the bottom edge, as well as brass beads on the native tanned hide loop at top; and it's lined with saddle leather. This is a very attractive and unusual mirror bag with US Navy buttons sewn at top, 16 inches long. \$4,600









Remington New Model "Conversion" Army Indian pistol. Missing loading lever dark pitted overall patina grip butt notched with several small brass tacks. A favorite with the Indians, many of the pistols were given by US Government as relocation annuity to the plains Indian tribes.

Rough and not in working condition \$2,650



Lot 131 Colt Model 1860 Army Percussion presumed Indian used. Revolver serial #76990 This model became a favorite with the Indians. The hammer lever is missing and the bottoms of the grips are crudely carved away on both sides of the bottom the back strap to facilitate the use of a crude lanyard or decorative drop. Cut for a stock the cylinder is marked 77T. Ordinance report 115 Oct 1879 "small arms capture from Indians" record's 40 such revolvers with 6 of which were missing ramrods. Mfg. late 1861 closest Civil War associated Ser#76822 1st Connecticut Volunteer Cavalry Ser#767551, 759-872-874-888-905-935-936; 7th Michigan Volunteer Cavalry. Historically significant and presumed Indian used.

\$3,150



Ball-head War Club from the Dresslar Museum Collection ca. 1870's



Sioux large painted parfleche knife sheath and trade knife

A huge knife sheath made from parfleche with a painted hour glass design. 17 inches long and 5 inches wide make this an outstanding showpiece of Indian weaponry. \$3,300



Stonehead War Club from General Nelson Miles Collection ca. 1870's







Lot 135

Early Pueblo Bow & Arrow ca. 1200 AD from the Fenn Collection

This is one of the earliest American Indian bows known to exist. From the Mimbres Indian's of New Mexico, painted in black pitch and wrapped in sinew throughout, accompanied by a single unfletched arrow on a reed haft with a fore shaft and flint arrowhead. This very bow is illustrated in a recent article, also see Spirits in the Art by Hanson pg 180. An ultra rare 1000 year old American Indian bow & arrow. 50 inches tall with 35 inch long arrow, the bow has a split at center yet it is still intact and an important rarity in western weapons. \$4,800



Lot 136

A Rare Navajo Bow with Red Trade Cloth ca. 1860's



Lot 137

Two Crow Indian's on the Billings & Miles City Railroad ca. 1880's

There is nothing elaborate about these Native American's of the Crow tribe. Obviously they have been on horseback for days and tired. One is wearing a patch over his eye, both are in white man's store bought shirts, yet their Crow beaded leggins are piled up to one side. A large albumen photograph \$650



Lot 138

Crow Man's beaded and tacked belt ca. 1880's

Lot 139

Rare and Early Eskimo bag has elaborate designs in hide and a bone closure with coordinance for Norton's Passage in the Artic, ca 1860's

This beautifully made Eskimo Indian bag has seal skin/fur with intricate hide designs in a classic style, and a carved/incised closure with the longitude/latitude for Norton's passage in the Artic, 12 inches wide & stiff, Ex: Nevada City California Collection \$.........\$3,800









Geronimo's Lieutenant 'Hosea' holding a Double Barrel Shotgun ca. 1870's



Lot 141

Cheyenne Ledger Drawing Artist named 'Making Medicine' quarter plate tintype taken from life while a prisoner at St Augustine, Florida after he was captured in Texas during the Red River uprising in 1872

He is one of the most famous Cheyenne Ledger drawing artists and his drawings are published in the National Geographic book entitle Warrior Artists on pg 6; as well as Plains Indian Drawings published by Abrams on pg 134-140. This is the only photograph of a Plains Indian ledger artist that I know of. It is unpublished and is taken from life, completely original. Most Indian artists signed their name to their drawings with their pictographic symbol. Making Medicine began drawing about his lost freedom of life on the plains while a POW at Fort Marion, Florida. A Unique part of Plains Indian history. \$4,400



Lot 142

Kansa/Iowa Warriors and their Tomahawks ca. 1865



Lot 143

Chief Red Cloud's Tomahawk captured from him in 1876 – from the Chandler- Pohrt Collection

Red Cloud was the foremost leader of the Sioux Indians - he led the only successful war against the US Army ever fought by an Indian Tribe.

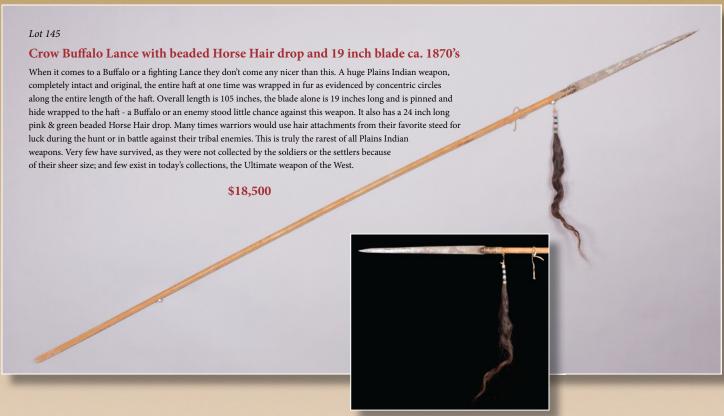
A remarkable and historical Pipe-Tomahawk carried by Sioux Principal Chief Red Cloud, with a large spontoon blade that has a rare "Batwing" design cutout and circular tangs. all with stippling around the openings, the capture is clearly stamped on the blade "Owned by Red Cloud – A Sioux Chief – 1876". The symbology of being captured from him the same year as the Battle Of Little Big Horn in 1876, where Custer's entire command was wiped out by Chief Sitting Bull & Crazy Horse is an important historical connection, as Red Cloud chose not to participate in the battle against Custer and returned to the agency; while Sitting Bull fled the United States with most if his tribe moving into Canada. Perhaps Red Cloud gave up this weapon as a symbol of peace at that time after the Battle of Little Big Horn, when American forces were preparing to retaliate against the Sioux & Cheyenne tribes?

This historically important Pipe-Tomahawk was originally in the Santee Indian School collection, it was collected from Chief Red Cloud by missionary Rev. Joseph Ward, who latter founded the Yankton Indian College. He, along with other missionaries, was well acquainted with Red Cloud and the Sioux people; whom they dedicated their life's work to. There is no better provenance than this, coming from the missionary that knew Red Cloud personally, accompanied by documents from the museum, and photograph of Red Cloud holding this tomahawk. On original carved ash haft 26 inches long with 10 inch blade, accompanied by Pohrt Collection Letter of Authenticity, Ex: Chandler-Pohrt Collection \$125,000



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San Carlos Apache Toy size cradle board with doll wrapped in prison clothing. C. 1890's. A very unusual Apache girl's doll and cradle board. This little girl's father must have been incarcerated along with other Apaches in the late 1880's, as the doll has black and white prison striped clothing along with an Indigo Blue blanket and is wearing petite Apache boot moccasins which are beaded and also rubbed with yellow ochre. The entire cradle has beaded and painted designs and is entirely rubbed in bright yellow ochre. Ex Arrowsmith collection. $10^{\circ} \times 24^{\circ}$ tall.\$2,200



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