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30. Nicholas L. Chandler, *Early American Underhammer Firearms*, Andrew Mowbray Publishers, Woonsocket, Rhode Island, 2010, page 20.

31. Neal, page 13.

32. George, page 168.

33. David Weaver, email of March 16, 2005.

34. James Julia Auction, October 5, 2010, lot 1371, an enclosed action percussion gun by Joseph Bentley, marked "J. Bentley Patentee and Maker".

35. Neal, page 15.

36. What accessories are original? This difficult and important question applies to all cased sets by all makers—what did the set consist of when it was first sold? Some items are documented in writing (e.g., for the Buddings, the "crutch handle screw driver" and the "key wrench"). Otherwise, we can only apply the Pope Rule: "My opinions are based on how often the same accessory appears in different sets; two or more makes it original. It's the best we can do with so few cased examples." [Rex Pope, email of February 8, 2010.] For firearms with many more cased examples, you could adjust the number required, but you understand the idea.

37. The ideas in this paragraph were kindly loaned to me by S. James Gooding, in his email of April 22, 2005.

38. Bonham's London Auction, November 10, 2005, lot 69. I think the cataloguer's (incorrect) 1830-1835 date derives from a reading of W. Keith Neal and D.H.L. Back's book *British Gunmakers Their Trade Cards, Cases, and Equipment 1760-1860*, page 33.

39. This dating on the HD Trust website probably reflects reading of George and Neal (see reference 23). As a Western American collector of early British firearms, largely ignored and marginalized for decades, I owe it to my long-suffering colleagues, and to myself, to quote the HD Trust site: "Between 1825 and 1830, [Budding] designed a Pepperbox pistol which was further advanced than Samuel Colt's patent of 1836." Colt collectors—take note! (Of course, this refers only to the Budding's early and first use of copper cap "Central Fire." Colt's patent is the first to specifically claim horizontal nipples, but a number of earlier patents, and actual firearms, showed and used them.)

40. Randall page 94.

41. "British History Online." The Victoria History of the Counties of England. Stroud Economic—A History of the County of Gloucester, volume XI, 1976 (unpaged).