

SAMUEL NOCK SERIAL NUMBERS.

I don't know the reason for the first few three-figure numbers and then the jump to the 6000s. Pairs share one number.

- 111: Neal sale 11/8/95 lot 131; now Craig Ross. F/L single gun, "circa 1810".
Poincon S.Nock London under a crown. "Gun.Maker.To His Majesty" on the barrel. S.Nock in gold oval on the lockplate.
- 137: Del Mar 12/6/23 lot 413. Cased F/L DB gun, "1806-1810".
- 228: Antony Cribb auction 4/2025. Cased pair of flintlock duelling pistols.
"Gun.Maker.To His Majesty" on the barrels, and WI 1228. Gold breech poincons. S. Nock in gold poincons on lockplates. Platinum touch holes. French cocks. 228 underside of each barrel.
- 487: Keith Dill archive. Cased pair F/L duelling pistols. Locks S. Nock. Barrels S. Nock. Gunmaker. to his. Majesty. London. Irish reg. marks LK 2383 and 2384.
- 531: Del Mar 12/6/23 lot 412. Cased F/L DB gun, "1805-1815".
- 6055: RIA 5/16/21 lot 3268. Cased Flintlock gun, 180 Fleet Street.
- 6267: Poulin May 2023 lot 3377. Cased pair of F/L duelling pistols, 180 Fleet Street.
- 6382: CR's patchlock gun. SN under the barrel. Samuel Nock on lockplate.
- 6410 Del Mar 6/26/25 lot 292. Cased copper cap DB gun, converted from "pellet lock". "c.1820".
- 6467: DENHAMS auctions 2023. Cased pair of patchlock duelling pistols.
Barrels Samuel Nock 180 Fleet Street London Gunmaker to His Majesty.
Locks Samuel Nock.
- 6580: BONHAMS 11/24/21 lot 218. Patchlock gun, Regent Circus.
- 6581: AAA (Australia) 9/9/23 lot 3111. Patchlock single gun; 35 " barrel, 14 bore.
- 6614: Neal sale 10/25/2001 lot 13. 3 barrel copper cap gun, "circa 1823".
RA XII.11267.
- 6661: Museum of Applied Science (Melbourne). Copper cap single gun, 12 bore.
SNRCPLGMTHM on barrel; poincon. H="His".
- 6705: Keith Dill archive. Cased pair of patchlock duelling pistols. Samuel Nock, Regent Circus on locks. Sotheby's June 17, 1975 lot 19.
- 6757: Christie's 11/23/2011 lot 180. Pair of patchlock duelling pistols, "circa 1825".
Barrels: Samuel Nock Reg't Circus Piccadilly London Gunmaker to His Majesty [SNRCPLGMTHM] Locks: Samuel Nock Regent Circus. Poincon. Barrelnsmith's mark CL(Charles Lancaster).
<https://www.christies.com/en/lot/lot-5509901>
- 6764: FB (Australia). Patchlock single gun, 8 bore. Regent Circus on lockplate.

- 6859: Private collection (ex-JV). Cased patchlock double gun, 17 bore (.66). SN underside of barrels (with 17 and London proof and view), on breech hooks, and on butt plate. Samuel Nock Patent on lock plates, with a bird. Rabbit on breech. SNRCPLGMTHM on rib. Wyatt-patent grip safety. With a small cased set of hammer noses.
- 6916: Cablesfarm. Copper cap rifle, 16 bore. SN on barrel and lock. SNRCPLGTHM on barrel. Poincon. <http://www.cablesfarm.co.uk/samuel-nock-rifle-no-6916/>
- 7079: Flintlock Collection April 2023. 7 barrel copper cap volley rifle.
- 7140: RK (UK). Single gun, copper cap nipple, imperial cap hammer.
- 7348: Neal sale 11/9/2000 lot 165. Cased pair copper cap duelling pistols.
- 7726: Poulin 11/2023 lot 3417. Copper cap rifle, ex WKN 10/25/2001 lot 9. "Samuel Nock, invenit" on lock. Turkish barrel. "Samuel Nock London" at breech. Imperial cap hammer nose and copper cap nipple.
- 7835: RK (UK). Double gun. See below.
- 7971: Keith Dill archive. Cased pair of copper cap target pistols.
- 8595: FB (Australia). Copper cap double gun, 15 bore. "S. Nock Invenit".

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Some bits about Samuel Nock:

180 Fleet Street 1806--1822 numbers 6379--6499

43 Regent Circus 1823--1852 Numbers 6614--8639 [but see above #6580]

116 Jermyn Street 1853--1858 one gun no 4054

Maker to his Majesty, William 4th died 20th of June 1837, highest serial number 7813

Maker to her Majesty, earliest number 7835 which is nice and near to the last King number.

My number 6380 is very early in the Fleet Street series which supports the possible patch lock origin.

There are some unusual numbers. No 111 is a flint gun sold in the Neal sale November 1995.

I have a flint rifle no 357. Both are 180 Fleet Street, appointment to his Majesty

I have seen a cased perc rifle with a 116 Jermyn St label no 4054.

[Blackmore says the Jermyn Street address was for the business after Samuel's death (1851).]

The numbers I have for Fleet St only give 120 guns over a period of 16 years so those lower numbers do suggest another series.

As all the higher numbers are percussions which must be 1820 ish and the two low numbers are flints it points to a lot of flints missing in the low series

I have recorded 36 guns [47 as of December 2021].

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Samuel Nephew of Henry, appr. to uncle, 1791; free of Gunmakers Co., 1800. Took Livery, 1820. Elected Assistant, 1833; Master, 1836. Gunmaker, Hawkesbury Pl., Walworth, 1804; 180 Fleet St., 1806–22; 43 Regent Circus, 1823–52. Apptd. Gunmaker-in-Ordinary to George III, 1805; George IV, 1822; William IV, 1830 (LC 3/68–9); Queen Victoria, 1837.

Granted Eng. Pat. No. 4054 (Flintlock pan), 1816. d. 1851. Will pr. 1852 (PCC). Business continued by Exors., 116 Jermyn St., 1853–8; then by John Wallis trading as Samuel Nock, 1859–63.