

Finch & C^o



VICTORIAN EXAMPLE OF A BREECH LOADING 'SELF PROTECTOR'

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THE FOLDING TRIGGER WITH TWO ATTACHED BAYONET BLADES AND A GERMAN SILVER BACK STRAP WITH A FLIP UP
BREECH LOADING MECHANISM

30 CALIBRE FIRE. THE HANDLE OF POLISHED HORN. MADE BY UNWIN & RODGERS OF SHEFFIELD, THE LARGEST BLADE
MARKED 'PROTECTOR'

IN FINE CONDITION

CIRCA 1860

SIZE: 17CMLONG – 6¾ INS LONG

LITERATURE

COMBINATION KNIFE PISTOLS WITH FOLDING BLADES WERE POPULAR WITH VICTORIAN GENTLEMEN IN ENGLAND IN THE
MID-19TH CENTURY AS A MEANS OF SELF-DEFENCE. THEY WERE OFTEN ALSO USED BY SAILORS AS PROTECTION WHEN
ASHORE IN FOREIGN PORTS. MADE BY UNWIN & RODGERS OF SHEFFIELD THEY USED BLACK POWDER AND WERE SOLD
IN VARIOUS SMALL CALIBRES.