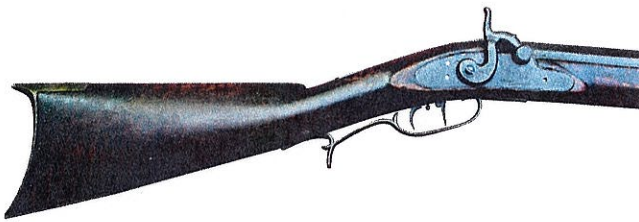




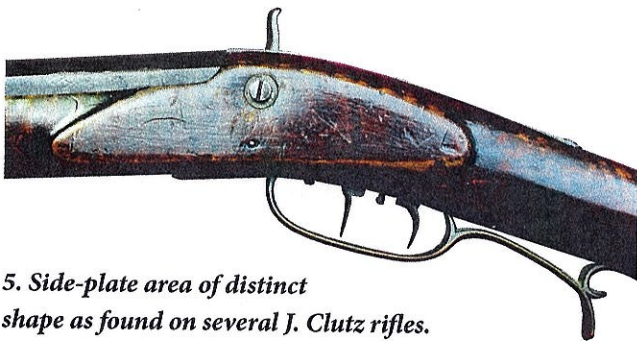
2. Overall profile of J. Clutz rifle described in article.



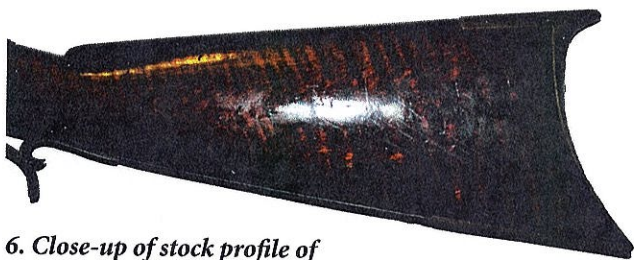
3. Lock side of the J. Clutz rifle described in the article.



4. Tang of the J. Clutz rifle described in the article.



5. Side-plate area of distinct shape as found on several J. Clutz rifles.



6. Close-up of stock profile of J. Clutz rifle described in article.



7. Close-up of butt-plate of J. Clutz rifle described in article, two screws.

Allied Tradesmen, 1750-1950. The lock panels and overall characteristics of the rifle pictured on p. 60, Vol. III [and repeated on p. 223, Vol. IV] are quite similar to the gun described herein.)

The pictured rifle is stamped "J. Clutz" 3½" behind the rear sight, and Leman, Lancaster on the percussion lock plate. (see figures 2-7)

Lock plate: 4¾" long, 1½/16" high

Barrel length: 32¼"; eight flats (hexagon); held on by a 5/16" wide key (likely an old replacement made of cast pot metal); front of key-hole is 3¼" back from end cap. Some brown finish remains.

Width at muzzle: 15/16"

Width near breech: 1"

Caliber: approximately .31 cal.

Tang: 5¼"; center of large tang screw, 11/16" from breech; smaller screw near anterior end of rounded tang; the tang has a long, shallow scallop, gracefully forming from behind the front screw into the anterior end until widening out again at the rear screw (see photo)

Ramrod pipes: 2, approximately 17/16" in length; front end of upper pipe is 3¼" from muzzle; lower pipe just short of 11¼" from muzzle; the iron pipes are round and well-finished, though simple; they are not true tubes, the split is against the barrel and may have been kept open to hold solder (very fine solder job); slots or dimples may have been made in the barrel at point of attachment

Rib: none

Front sights: low, brass, 1" from muzzle

Rear: small, 8" from barrel breech; 5/8" wide

Butt plate: 4½" high; length of top, 23/16"; 1½" wide

Placement of flat-headed screws: center of top screw 11" 16" from posterior of butt plate; two screws equidistant from top and bottom (and each other) in the curve of the butt plate)

Toe plate: 3½" by 9/16"; two small flat-headed screws (from upper end to center of screw posterior 3/8"; center of second screw 1¾" from upper end), and 1/8" metal rod slightly over 1/8" from bottom end of toe plate.

Trigger-guard: just shy of 7¾"; slightly less than 7/8" in height; trigger-guard held on with pins

Trigger-plate: about 49/16"; set-triggers

Stock: curly maple; dark, reddish varnish finish; 4-5 stripes per inch; wrist had a lateral break just ahead of end of tang; repaired at some point (unknown)

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Ladies Auxiliary

As I write this in late June, I hope everyone's surviving this heat and rain! Records broken in some way every few weeks. Alys and I have planned our Spring tour and luncheon and will have more details in the 2020 Feb./March issue.

We will go over the bridge into W. Virginia to have our luncheon at daVinci's in Williamstown before our tour. We will travel to the Henderson Hall Plantation for a guided tour of the house and gardens. The 3rd floor has been newly renovated. We will see a 20 minute video explaining the history and renovation of the property before the tour. We have the afternoon to also enjoy the property on our own, so cross your fingers we have a beautiful day.

We will again have the Silent Auction on Friday evening. We are hoping members are thinking about how they can participate with donations to bid on. Baked goods to a finely made knife and perfume bottle

all added up to a surprising \$640!! Donations kept flowing in before the bidding, so much more than we had hoped. We also appreciate those that reached far into their pockets to bid helping to make the auction a success. Lets make the next auction bigger and better with more fun for everyone!

Have a wonderful rest of the summer and hopefully see some of you at the fall show in Newark!

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Special Note: I want to thank all of you Ladies of the AOLRC, as well as some of you gentlemen, for the lovely card you sent me following my knee revision surgery. I'm doing very well and truly appreciate all your well-wishes.

As always,
Judy Herman

A Dainty Clutz Rifle, continued from page 11

Stock length: just shy of 28" from rear or nose cap to end of upper butt plate (26½" from rear of end cap to end of wood in inside corner of butt plate)

Lock panels: lock side, 5⅞"; side plate side, 5¾" (slight difference); front profile of lock panels cant downwards (see photos)

Wrist: approximately 1⅞" in height; space between top of fore stock ⅞" and top of side barrel flat

Length of pull (front set trigger to inner curve of butt-plate) 13"

Side plate: slightly ovoid circle of brass, ½"

Nose cap: pewter, ⅞" long; curved profile

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(Note: Color images of Clutz rifles appear on the Rock Island Auction website, other auction websites, and the American Longrifles site [americanlongrifles.org], which can be searched under "J. Clutz rifle". Special thanks to Bob Williams for input into this article. Text and images, unless otherwise noted, copyright by author.)

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As noted elsewhere in this newsletter Allen Corbett has done a fantastic job updating the AOLRC website. Visit the site to find dates of upcoming shows, articles, and even items for sale. These images from the site can be found at: <http://www.aolrc.com/>

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