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(18 in.) long, though the muzzle has obviously exploded. It is in two sections; the proximal half is octangle while the distal end is round. The word "London" is engraved or stamped on the barrel; other markings are obliterated by rust pitting. Other items from the pit include a gun flint showing evidence of use (crushing) on three of its four edges; the lid of a round copper primer box with intact label, indicating the contents were Dominion Cartridge Company No. 1½ copper primers; and a piece of lead which appears to be waste from a bullet mold.

Taken together, the artifacts in this category provide the most complete evidence of a single type of activity carried out at the site. There is direct or indirect evidence for the presence of at least six different firearms of at least three different basic types--black powder cartridge, percussion cap, and flintlock. With the possible exception of gunpowder, which may have been contained in one of the tin cans found in the pit, a complete selection of items necessary for reloading cartridges is represented.

Clothing and personal adornment. The third category of artifacts consists of items relating to clothing or personal adornment. Eleven glass beads were found in the pit and the unit to the east. All are very small, round, and vary in colour from white to light pink. They appear to be of tube type construction and would thus be classified as types IIa11, and IIa58 according to the Kidd system (Kidd and Kidd 1970). The three buttons recovered were all of different materials. One was of white glass, one of shell, and one of metal. One of the two fragments of leather is cut and has two buckle holes, while the other is attached by a brass rivet to a metal D ring and is reminiscent of a suspender strap.

Household Equipment. Only two of the artifacts, both from