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Mr. Floyd Hays
The Watkins Company
P.O. Box 32050
Little Rock
Arkansas
U.S.A.

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Dear Mr.Hays,

I am writing with regards to your recent enquiry regarding the history of your Holland & Holland N° 30226 on behalf of your employer, Mr. Richard Watkins.

Having researched our records we are pleased to be able to confirm the attached details. I have also enclosed a copy of the original entry from our history books.

This rifle was ordered by His Highness The Maharaja Ramaneig Saran Singh Deo C.I.E of Sirguja from the Sirguja State. The rifle was despatched to the Raghunath Palace in Ambikapur on 26 November, 1924. When the rifle was order His Highness paid £135.00 for the rifle (!) and a further £8.00 and 8 Shillings for a leather case.

With regards to whether the rifle has been returned to us from the completion date to now is very difficult to say. Our computerised records only go back to 1997 and there is no record of the rifle being returned during this period. Prior to that all the records were manual and were recorded by owner name and not serial number. As such there is no way of searching the records to establish if and when the rifle was returned to ourselves.

I hope that you find this information of interest and if you require any further information then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Ambrose
for Holland & Holland Ltd.

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WEAPON HISTORY

Serial N°: 30336

Calibre: .577 3 inch

Model: Royal

Barrel Length: 26 inches


Regulated: Regulated with a 470 grain bullet

Stock Length: 14 ½ inches at centre

Date of Manufacture: 15 November, 1924

Weight: 13lb

Additional Information: Hand detachable locks,
Double triggers,
Treble grip,
Long top strap,
Top lever and auto safety,
Half pistol grip with cap box,
Cheekpiece,
Recoil heel plate,
Standard fixed sight with 1 folding leaf sight.


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Sirgupa 30336

a 577 3" Royal Hammerless
cylinder rifle
26 steel barrels
hand det locks
two triggers
triple grip
long top string
top lever & auto
half porting hand
cap box
chuck piece
recoil buffer plate
standard clip
extra det

Barrel 25/8 15/8
Length 14 5/8 14 7/8 15
C off 7 1/4 3/16 7 8 5/16
Weight 13.0 - 7.3 3/4
Pull 5 - 6
striking
choked

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