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DURING the Spanish-American War.
Smith & Wesson. Springfield.
Mass., was tendered a government contract for 3000 cal. .38 double-action sevolvers, of which 2000 were for the Navy and 1000 for the Army. The war ended before delivery of a single gun had been made, but the contract was

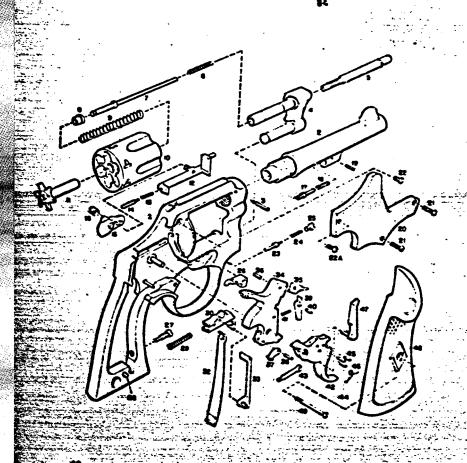
not canceled, and first deliveries were eventually made early in 1899. Designated the 38 Hand Ejector. Military & Police Model, this revolver was the first eal. 38 side-swing model to be made by Smith & Wesson. It was chambered for the 38 Colt long eartridge. The military version was made with

6½° barrel and walnut .- The commercial model had have rubber grips and 4° barrel.

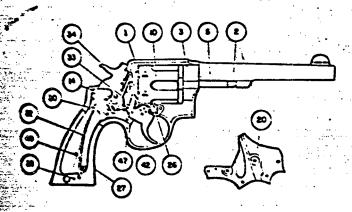
The improved Model 1902 M&P introduced in that year was chambered for the new cal. 38 S&W Special eartridge, and also featured a front lock for the extractor rod.

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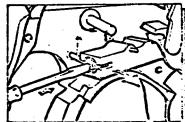
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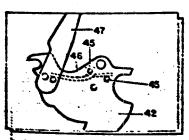
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HENRY DERINGER

He gave his name to a whole class of frearms

Born-Lusbett, Pa., 1786 Died-Philadelphia, Pa., 1888

This son of an immigrant Cerama gunsmith, Henry Danaset was destined to follow in his tarket to apprenticed to a gunsmith in Robinson Va., and made roles and other finearms there until he was said to set un business for himself in Philadelphia in 1806. In 180 h. ansected in obtaining his first grants ment contract, and there that he was and pistols for the Units Make and pistols for the Units Make until 1845.

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