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The action using H.W. Holland & T. Woodward patent no. 17,578 of 15 September 1894, the sides of the action-body with the makers name engraved in an oval surrounded by best bold foliate-scrollwork, the underside engraved with the patent number, virtually full hardening-colour, the bright cocking-lever engraved en suite, the top-tang with shotgun-style safety and flip-up peep-sight, figured stock (minor crack at base of pistolgrip near cap) with pistolgrip, engraved pistolgrip-cap with trap containing three additional bead-foresights, cheek-piece and horn butt-plate, horn-capped forend, sling-eyes, the circular barrel with matt sight-rib, engraved *Holland & Holland, 98 New Bond Street, London Winner Of All The "Field" Rifle Trials, London*, 100 yard fixed-sight and leaf-sights sighted for 200, 300, 400 & 500 yards, and ramp-mounted ivory bead-foresight

Weight 7lb. 9oz., 14¾in. pull (14 3/8in. stock), 28in. barrel, London nitro proof

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