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COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

**A New or Improved Breech-block for "Martini" Firearms.**

I, CHARLES FRANCOTTE, of 61 Mont St. Martin, Liège, in the Kingdom of Belgium, Gunmaker, do hereby declare the nature of this invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

The breech-block for what are known as "Martini" firearms forming the subject-matter of this invention is shown in front view in Figure 1 and in longitudinal section in Figure 2 of the accompanying sheet of drawings.

The block *a* has a perforation *c* extending through its entire length. This perforation contains the striker *p*, and is enlarged at its front part to receive the spring *r* which actuates the said striker. This striker is held in place by a screwed plug *b* screwed into the front end of the block *a*, and having an opening through it for the passage of the point *o* of the striker. This screwed plug *b* is prevented from coming unscrewed by means of a pin *g*.

The spring *r* prevents the withdrawal of the striker *p* from the back of the block.

This arrangement simplifies considerably the milling of the block and facilitates the mounting.

Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is:

A breech-block for "Martini" firearms having a perforation *c* extending through its entire length, and serving to contain the striker *p* and actuating spring *r*, the said perforation *c* being closed at its front part by a screwed plug *b* traversed by the point *o* of the striker *p*, substantially as described.

Dated this 25th day of July 1902.

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