

AN AMERICAN "PUMP" GUN FOR THE CZAR.

We are pleased to reproduce a photograph of the beautiful Marlin hammerless repeating shotgun just completed for the personal use of Nicholas II, the Czar-of-all-the-Russias.

The gun is a 12 gauge *hammerless* repeat-

ing shotgun, 6 shots, with 30 inch full choke barrel, straight grip stock with rubber recoil pad fitted, in outline and general construction like the well-known Model 28 Marlin trap gun.

The distinctive features are of course in the exquisite quality of the beautiful English Walnut stock and forearm, with the rich, dull London oil finish, which does not glisten or shine and does not show scratches as plainly as the highly polished wood; in the elaborate hand engraving and fine checking; and in the special design of the engraving.

On the left side of the receiver the Russian Bear inlaid in gold is shown rampant, protecting her cubs from the fierce timber wolves. On the right side of the receiver the Russian Eagle (Coat of Arms) is beautifully reproduced inlaid in gold. Supplementing these center pieces, the frame is elaborately engraved and embossed with game birds and scroll work in relief, with bordering lines inlaid in platinum. On the top of the frame at the rear the Czar's personal monogram (N II) is inlaid in platinum.

It is a splendid example of American gun making of the highest type, and the excellence of its design, construction and shooting ability will certainly be appreciated by the titled sportsmen of the old world.



Firearm made for the Czar of Russia by the Marlin Fire Arm Co.