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Lesson 5—Additional Stripping. Add—

8. PISTON POST.

To Remove—Hold the piston vertically with the left hand, the piston post to the front, and place the rear end of the piston post on an ammunition box or similar object.

Force the piston downwards, thereby compressing the piston post spring and removing the pressure from the cotter. With a punch or point of a cartridge, push the cotter to the left and remove. Remove the plunger and spring.

To Assemble—Insert the spring and plunger into the piston post with the plunger end protruding. Insert the assembled post, plunger end first, into the opening on the underside of the extension.

Compress the piston post spring and press the piston post head through the opening until the post is flush with the underside of the extension.

Hold the piston vertically and place the rear end of the piston post on an ammunition box or similar object. Force the piston downward to compress the spring further and insert the cotter until it is flush with the piston guides, ensuring that the small projection on the cotter is on the right side of the piston extension.

Note.—In the above operations, care should be taken to avoid distortion of the junction of the piston and extension.

Lesson 6—Care and Maintenance, para. 3. Add to sub-para. ii—

Examine the piston post for signs of damage or fracture. Remove and examine piston post spring for condition.

Assemble and test functioning. Check condition.

Lesson 6—Care and Maintenance, para. 6. Add note—

Note.—Check the condition of the Piston Post and spring before assembling the weapon. This will entail removal of the spring.