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VICKERS .303 in. G.O. Mk. I GUNS

(30) Chapter 4, para. 142. First position stoppage, columns 3, 4 and 5. *Delete* the details under (3) in each column and *substitute* :—

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| <p>" (3) (i) Top plate rotates, but gun does not fire.</p> | <p>(3) (i) Defective firing pin or fouling in the firing pin hole in the breech block.</p> | <p>(3) (i) Remove the magazine. Clear the gun. Change the breech block. Replace the magazine and continue firing.</p> |
| <p>(ii) Stopping is repeated, after changing the breech block.</p> | <p>(ii) (a) Weak force of blow due to a weak return spring or sluggish action.
(b) Insufficient protrusion of firing pin.</p> | <p>(ii) (a) Correct maintenance of gun.
(b) Correct gauging and adjustment of firing pin protrusion."</p> |

(31) Chapter 4, para. 142. Third position stoppage, immediate action D. *Delete* the details in columns 3, 4 and 5, and *substitute* :—

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| <p>" (1) Gun fires but repeats stoppage.</p> | <p>(1) Defective extractor or extractor spring.</p> | <p>(1) Remove the magazine. Clear the chamber. Change the breech block. Replace the magazine and continue firing.</p> |
| <p>" (2) Gun fires after changing the breech block, but repeats the stoppage.</p> | <p>(2) (i) Dirty chamber.
(ii) Defective or dirty ammunition.</p> | <p>(2) (i) Correct maintenance of gun.
(ii) Ensure that ammunition is clean when loading magazine."</p> |

(32) Chapter 4, para. 142. At the end of the stoppage table *insert* :—

" *Note*.—If the gun develops too high a rate of fire, it may cause certain of the stoppages, due to the breech block racing the magazine. The remedy for this is to keep the small gas escape hole in the gas plug clean."