

.22 CALIBRE LONG BRANCH RIFLE

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Production to end of 1944	4,237
Production - 1st quarter 1945	<u>2,949</u>
Total production to date	7,186

Distribution of .22 Calibre Long Branch rifle to date is as follows:

Canadian account	<u>6,906</u>
Total shipments to March 31, 1945	6,906
Total orders received to date	7,206
Total production to date	<u>7,186</u>
Balance to produce	20

Production and shipments of Long Branch .22 rifles shall be realized in full during the week of April 9, at the latest. All the rifles have been completed but are presently awaiting completion of 20 "Chests" which are scheduled to be finished during the week of April 2.

The Department of Munitions and Supply has indicated the possibility of an additional contract being placed with Small Arms Limited for a quantity of 10,450 Long Branch .22 rifles, but at this date of reporting nothing official has been received in this connection.

STEN MACHINE CARBINE MARK II

Total production to end of 1944	112,932
Production - 1st quarter 1945	<u>3,397</u>
Total production to date	116,329

Distribution of Sten Carbines to date is as follows:-

Canadian account	65,162
U.K. account and Mutual Aid	9,781
Mutual Aid - China	35,882
Mutual Aid - Free French	1,400
Mutual Aid - U.S.S.R.	3
W.S.L. account	2
Inspection Board Can.	476
Inspection Board U.K.	<u>200</u>

Total shipments to March 31, 1945	112,906
Total orders received to date	112,906
Total production to date	<u>116,329</u>
Balance to produce	

At this date of reporting no official contract has been received confirming the reinstatement of the Sten machine carbine. However, production and assembly are proceeding on the basis of 6,000 per month. It was expected that between 5,000 and 6,000 Sten carbines could be assembled during March, but due to a delay of five days in starting up the assembly department, and a subsequent delay due to mechanical failure of Pin Sear Component, it was only possible to realize a total of 3,397.