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<ab>a <tl>peg</tl> which one puts into the touch-hole, &amp; then, with a rope wrapped around the end of a <tl>stick</tl>, one gives fire &amp; promptly retreats to take cover. The small petards of 16 or 17 <ms>lb</ms> are attached promptly with a <tl>short hooked peg</tl> made like a <tl>wimble</tl><comment>c\_168r\_01</comment>, &amp; if the petard is of a good alloy, one can give fire by <bp>hand</bp> just as one does with petards of 27 <ms>lb</ms>, but then one only puts in three <ms>lb</ms> of <m>powder</m>. It must certainly be a strong door if the seventeen <ms>lb</ms> petard does not blow it up. Some use <tl>little bells</tl> worn by <al>oxen</al> or <al>mules</al> on a <pro>peasant</pro> door. Others load two pistol barrels &amp;, with a <tl>gimlet</tl> &amp; a <tl>string</tl>, attach them with the muzzle against the door. If the petards are good &amp; do not explode, they only recoil and cannot do harm if one is next to them.</ab>

<ab>A. This is a <tl>small peg, hooked like the hinge of a door</tl> &amp; made like a <tl><oc>gimlet</oc></tl> on one end for quickly attaching a small petard with ears of fifteen or xvii <ms>lb</ms> for a common door or window.</ab>

<ab>B. This is a small petard with ears.</ab>

<ab>C. This is a <del>larg</del> common petard of 27 or 30 <ms>lb</ms> pierced at the breech, through which a large <tl><m>iron</m> peg</tl> passes, button-like on one end &amp; made like a <tl><oc>gimlet</oc></tl> at the point, for quickly attaching the petard against a door that <del>does not have</del> <add>is not</add> <add>covered</add> with <m>iron plates</m>.</ab>

<ab>D. These are plates of <m>wax</m>, <m>cork</m>, &amp; <m>wood</m> for loading the petard &amp; sealing the <m>powder</m> well.</ab>

<ab>E. <del>This</del> <tl><m>Iron</m> fork made in the form of pincers of the <ms>height of a man</ms></tl>, to quickly place the mortar without a <tl>peg</tl>. It must be of <m><fr>doux</fr> iron</m> in order that its branches bend easily, if need be, to fit to the height or width of the door.</ab>

<ab>F. This is another <tl><m>iron</m> fork</tl> of the same height that props up the <tl>fork made like pincers</tl> &amp; also supports the petard, and with its claw at the bottom prevents the <tl>pincers</tl> from recoiling.</ab>

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