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

<ab>A is a small peg, hooked like the pintle of a door and made like a gimlet on one end for quickly attaching a small petard with ears of fifteen or xvii lb. for a common door or window.</ab>

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

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

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

<ab>E <m>iron</m> fork made in the form of pincers as tall as a man, to promptly set the mortar without a peg. It must be of <fr>doux</fr> <m>iron</m> in order that the branches bend easily, if need be, to fit to the height or width of the door.</ab>

<ab>F This is another <m>iron</m> fork of the same height that supports the fork made like pincers and also sustains the petard, and with its low claw prevents the pincers from recoiling.</ab>

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