Why Gun Control?

Why did the British government pass the Penal Codes, denying firearms ownership to Irish Catholics? Was it their deep love for the Irish?

How about the British colonial laws preventing Indians from bearing arms? Let's ask Gandhi about that: "Among the many misdeeds of the British rule in India, history will look upon the act depriving a whole nation of arms as the blackest."

An anti-gun "scholar" once advised us that Hitler wasn't really anti-gun, since he only denied weapons to those whom he wanted to kill. Somehow this does not make me feel better.