Go inside the first true “arms race” as the invention of the perfect revolver pits Samuel Colt and Daniel Wesson in a race for patents that will forever revolutionize the firearm industry. Politician and businessman Mitt Romney and Twitter co-founder Biz Stone join historians and other experts as American Genius delves into the dramatic story behind the weapon that transformed America and forever changed how wars are fought.

**Directions**: In the space below take notes on the important inventions and progress made by each gun maker. When the video is done use your notes to construct an argument in which you explain which gun maker you believe should be given the title of “American Genius”. Be sure to provide a CLAIM, two pieces of EVIDENCE and REASONING and a COUNTERARGUMENT. Place your answer on the back of this sheet.

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