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Match could be one of two things:

1. Fine gunpowder used to prime the touch hole of the gun,
2. slow match, cord impregnated with salt peter. This was lit and burned slowly and was used to touch the powder in the touchhole to fire the gun.

In this case the note refers to slow match.