

Spade and Screen

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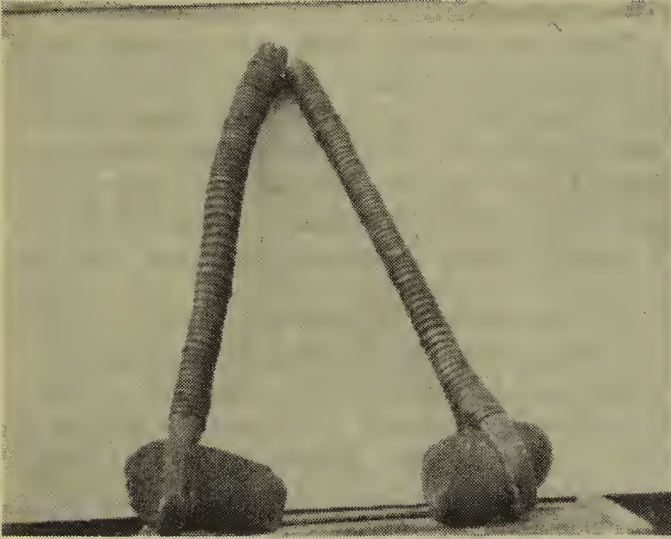


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PEMMICAN HAMMERS

One of the most common Stone Age relics in Western Canada is the Pemmican Hammer. These have been found by almost every Farmer as the prairie lands have been brought under cultivation. Since

they are never found with any portion of wooden and rawhide handles attached, the question is often asked, "What were the handles like?" The illustration on this page, sent in by Mr. Thos. Dutton of Gilbert Plains, Manitoba, show that it was a simple matter to place handles on the stone ax or the tomahawk or any of the types of hammers. Green willow, split and bent around the stone and then wrapped with thong and sinew when dry, would shrink to become a tight and strong handle.

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We illustrate the above fine group of arrowheads to remind each of you who is interested in Archaeology, to be sure and bring a few specimens with you when you attend our Annual meeting in October. Bring your latest find and your best material. A Collector likes to be able to say, "I've got a better one at home."