

leather to which they had been attached, and I was careful not to disturb them. They are made of beaten or leaf copper rolled into their present shape. In length they measure from three-fourths of an inch to an inch, and vary from three-sixteenths to five-sixteenths of an inch in diameter. The fine thongs by which they were sewn to the hide are still adherent to the under side.

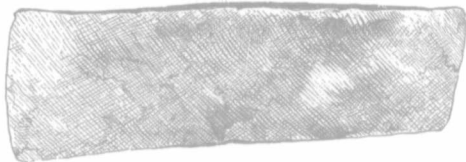


FIG. 75.

Fig. 75 was found by Mr. Samuel Haskett, on lot 23, con. 4, Biddulph township, and formed part of the Matheson collection.

It differs but little in pattern from some we had before, but it is, perhaps, specially interesting from the fact that a few specks of pure silver may be easily detected on the surface, thus affording proof (although none is required) that the material is native or virgin.

It is four and a half inches long, and one inch and a half wide at the cutting edge.

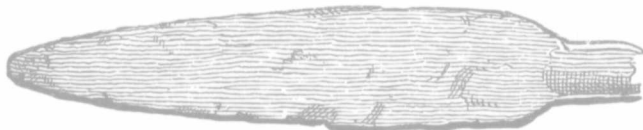


FIG. 76.

This good specimen (Fig. 76) was found by Mr. David Willet, in the township of Burford. It measures eight and three quarter inches long, and at its widest part is an inch and five-eighths. Like some of those described in our last report, it is provided with a fairly well-formed socket to receive a handle or shaft.

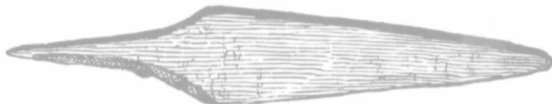


FIG. 77.

Fig. 77 is much smaller, and has a tine instead of a socket. It was ploughed up on lot 15, con. 7. in the township of London, by. Mr. James Hodgins. Both of these were procured from Mr. Matheson.

HEMATITE (Iron Ore).

The Indians of the territory (much of which formerly belonged to New France) now included in the Central States of the American Union, employed hematite to some extent in the production of weapons and a few other things.

I have never found, or heard of anything being found, of this material in Ontario, although it is more than probable that there are specimens of it in some private collections. The only trace of it I have met with was on Tidd's Island (see report for 1887,

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