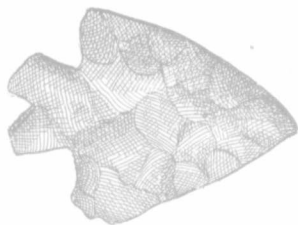


notched in this manner are rare. This was in Mr. Stewart's collection, and the locality is unknown.



(Fig. 79. Full Size.)

A rarer form still is seen at Fig. 79. In this case the neck of the weapon is cleft. Evidently the chipping is not accidental, because it is done neatly and evenly from both sides.

Figs. 80 and 81 represent two of sixty-eight, all roughly leaf-shaped flints found buried together a few inches below the surface, on the farm of Mr. Arthur Seabrook, near Komoka, in the township of Delaware. The farm is on the right bank of the Thames, and the pieces were embedded in the level ground at an elevation of at least fifty feet above the river, the bank of which is here quite high. Not far away from the spot is a stream of spring water which forms a beautiful cascade as it tumbles over the steep brow to reach the river; and taken altogether the situation was just such as would delight the heart of an Indian.



FIG 80. (Full Size.)

If we regard these rudely formed flints as finished articles, they could not have been intended for use as arrow-heads—their flight would be too uncertain: besides no provision has been made for fastening them to a shaft. The latter reason would also preclude their use for spear or lance purposes. It seems highly probable that they were intended for insertion in the heads of clubs—the tapering end being let into the wood, and the sharp semi-circular edge allowed to project from an inch to an inch and

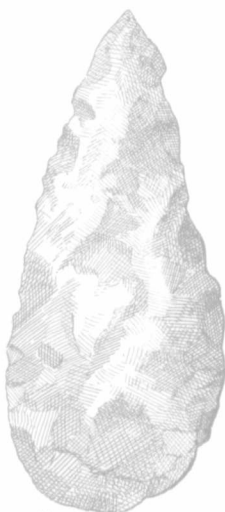


FIG. 81. (Full Size.)

a-half. On this supposition their very roughness would be an advantage to them in maintaining their hold.

The whole of Mr. Seabrook's "find" is now in our collection.