

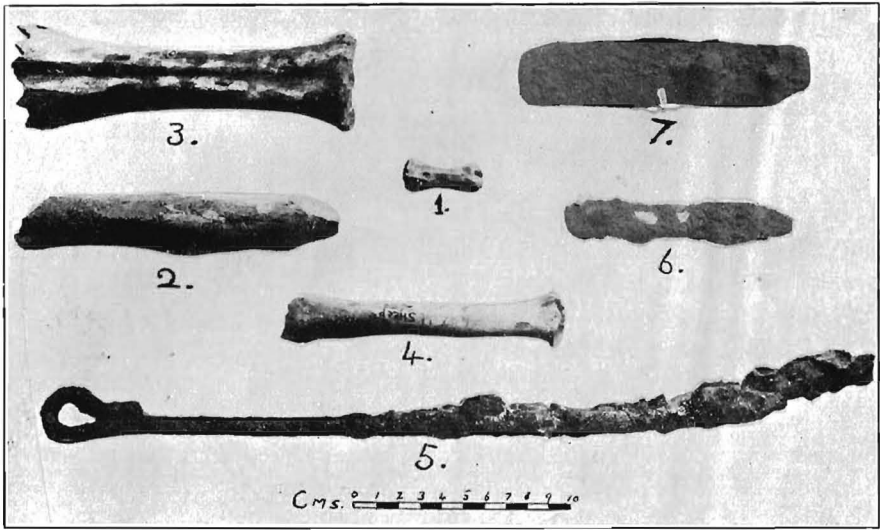
Note on a Bronze Spear-head found near Yeovil.

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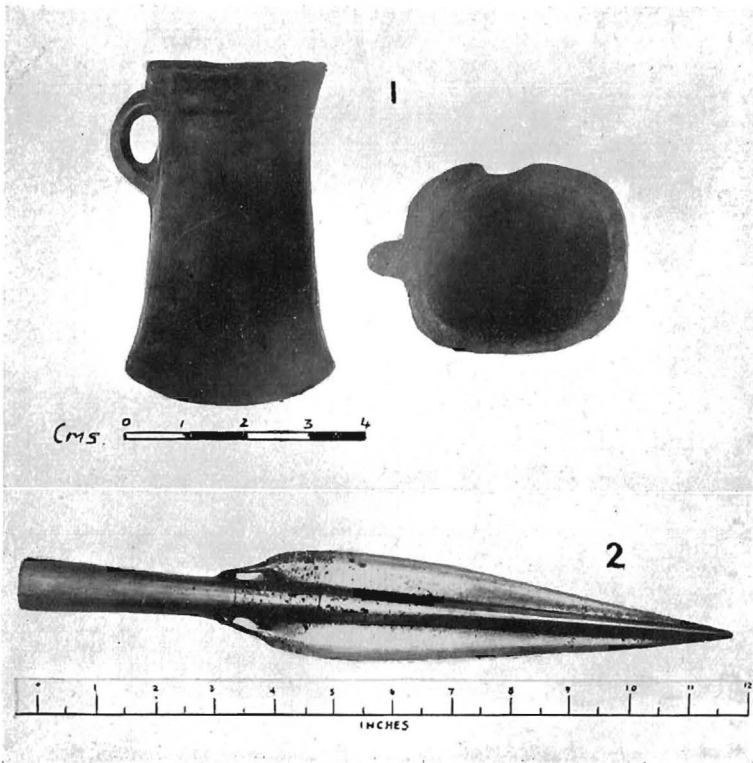
No account of this bronze spear-head has been published before, so far as can be ascertained. It is reproduced now (Plate IX, B, No. 2) by the kind permission of its owner, Mrs. R. Bicknell. It was discovered by Mr. Richard Bicknell in, or about, the year 1881, during draining operations near Yeovil, Somerset. The spear-head was about two feet from the surface, at a point about two hundred yards from Marston Two Elms, in the Marston Magna direction, and on the left hand side of the road going from Yeovil.

The spear-head measures 29.7 cm. in entire length, it is 4.5 cm. wide at the widest part of the blade, and 2.2 cm. wide at the base of the socket. Its total weight is 222.8 grams, and its specific gravity is 8.8. When it was discovered part of the wooden haft was still within the hollow socket. This has now been removed.

The weapon is socketed and looped, the hollow extending nearly half-way up the blade. The loops are at the end of the blade, and are of the protected type, flattened out to form lozenge-shaped plates. In section it is diamond-shaped. It has no holes for pins, and no ornament.



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PLATE IX.