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Country Luzon, P. I.

Locality Abra.

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People Tinguian

Stock.

Name Salbatana - Blow gun
and sokogan - bullet mould.


The gun is made of betel nut palm wood. Two long pieces are cut & grooved Fig. 1. They are then joined so

Collection R. F. Cummings Expedition,

(F. C. Cole, 1907-8).

Notes The blow gun was probably introduced through the Ilocanos. It does not figure in the folk tales

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that the grooves form the tube. A carabao intestine is drawn over the outside of the joined sections & cord is wrapped tightly over it. Wax is rubbed over the cord, and all air is forced through the tube. A clay ball is blown from the mouth to a considerable distance & with sufficient force to kill or stun birds. The poison arrow is unknown to these people. The clay bullets are moulded in the carabao horn molds & are sun dried.