

CROSSBOW

This weapon, while not the invention of the natives, is much used for shooting small birds. The arrows, which are unfeathered, are half the diameter of a lead pencil. One is placed in a groove running along the top and is kept in position by means of the half-loop pegs of wire. The bowstring is held back by a short stick, fastened by a string loop to the bowstring, which is caught against the peg and the upper projecting end of the trigger, this end being released when the trigger is pulled.

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