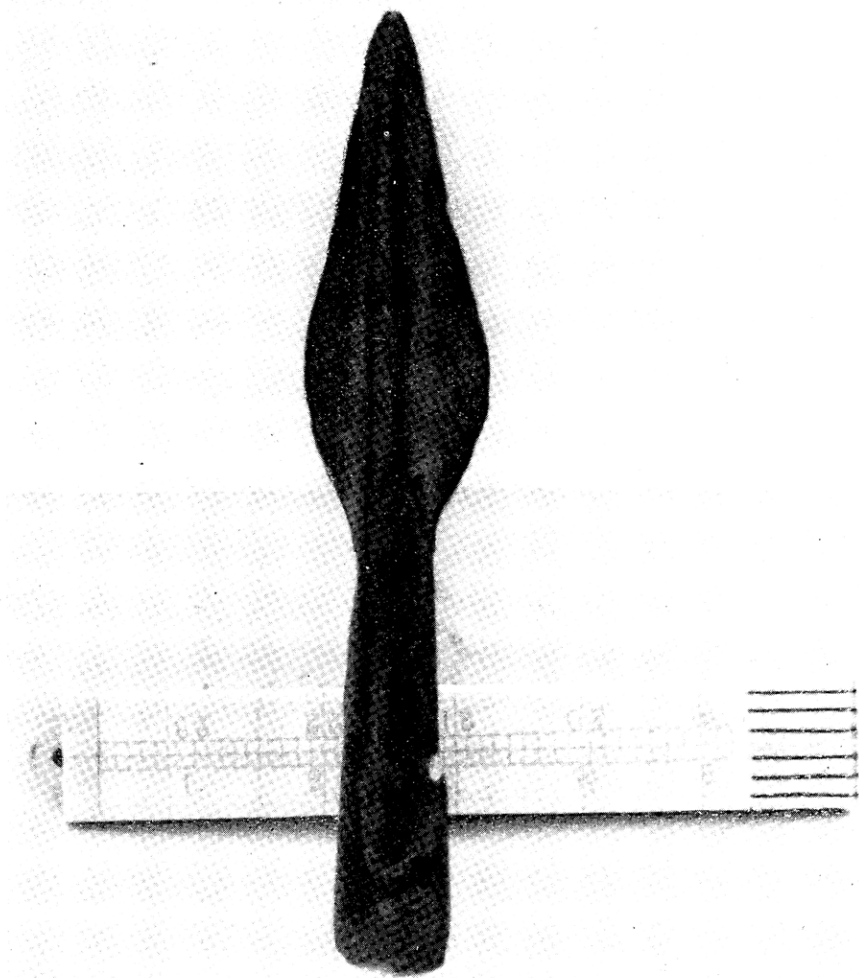


ART. VIII.—*A Bronze Age Spear-head.* By Lieut.-Colonel
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THROUGH the kindness of our member Mr. A. H. Greg I have got a Bronze Age Spear-head which was recently found by a man digging a drain at Sunny Bank between Arkholme and Redwell. It is seven inches long and one and a half inches at the broadest part of the blade and weighs at present $2\frac{1}{2}$ ozs. It shows two holes for pegs parallel to the plane. It is hollow to within one inch of the point and has no loops. It is leaf-shaped and according to the classification of the Rev. W. Greenwell and W. P. Bains (see *Archæologia*, Vol. 61, part 2, article XVII, "The Origin, Evolution and Classification of the Bronze Spear-head in Great Britain and Ireland"), it belongs to Class V.

This type seems to have lasted a long time and is later than the ones with loops. It does not appear to be common in our district. I can only trace two of the same kind in our *Transactions*. One was found at Butts Beck, Dalton-in-Furness in 1874, and is illustrated in O.S. xv, 164, and the other from Piel Castle is referred to in N.S. ii, 410, and illustrated in N.S., vi, 143. Most of the Spear-heads found locally are of the looped type.

My specimen is in a fairly good state of preservation but one side of the base has gone, though the two holes for pegs are still left.



BRONZE AGE SPEAR-HEAD FROM NEAR ARKHOLME.