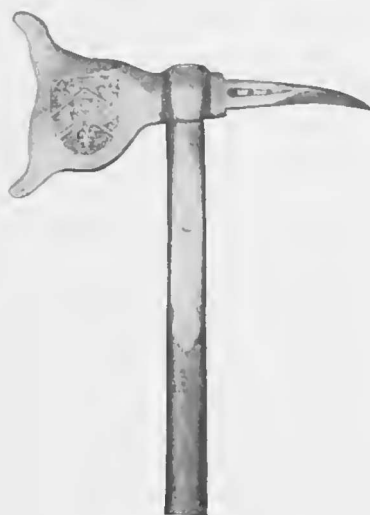




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CEREMONIAL AXES

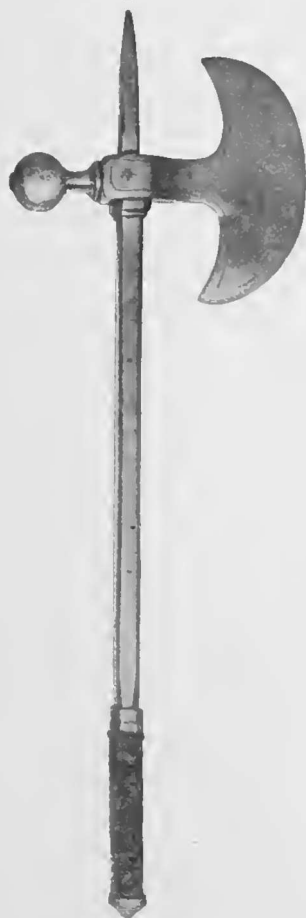
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38. **Axe (XVIth Century)**, with pierced blade bearing the date 1530, back spike and top spike, the latter in the form of eagles' heads, the whole covered with coarse etching. The haft is of steel with spiral bands of decoration.

Length, $31\frac{1}{2}$ in. ; weight, 3lb.



BATTLE AXE (VIII, 39).

39. **Axe (XVIth Century)**, with blade $6\frac{1}{2}$ in., top spike and ball at the back, all pounced with dots. The haft is of steel with velvet-covered grip.

Length, $24\frac{1}{2}$ in. ; weight, 5lb.

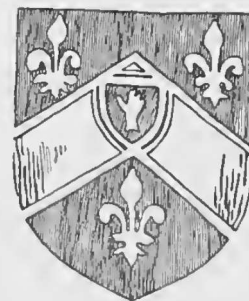
40. **Axe (XVIth Century)**, the blade (3in. across) pierced with a trefoil, top spike and back spike. The haft is finely wrought to represent twisted briars ending at the upper part in a dog's head ; the grip is engraved with lines.

Length, 20in. ; weight, 2lb.

Purchased at the Bernal sale in 1855.

41. **Ceremonial Axe (Late XVIth Century)**, with head $5\frac{1}{2}$ in. long, engraved on the one side with a shield of arms and on the other with a horse rampant ; back pick and haft of wood.

Length, 28in. ; weight, 2lb.



No. 41. Arms of
Sir Basil Dixley, Bart.
Circa 1628.