

or to accompany war expeditions. Each of the first six orders had its own peculiar dance, and the members of the principal warrior orders had also their peculiar staff or badge of rank.

First and lowest in rank were the *Nuhin'na* or Fox men, consisting of young men up to the age of about 25 years. They had no special duties or privileges, but had a dance called the *Nuha'wü* or fox dance.

Next came the *Hä'tahu'ha* or Star men, consisting of young warriors about 30 years of age. Their dance was called the *Ha'tahü*.

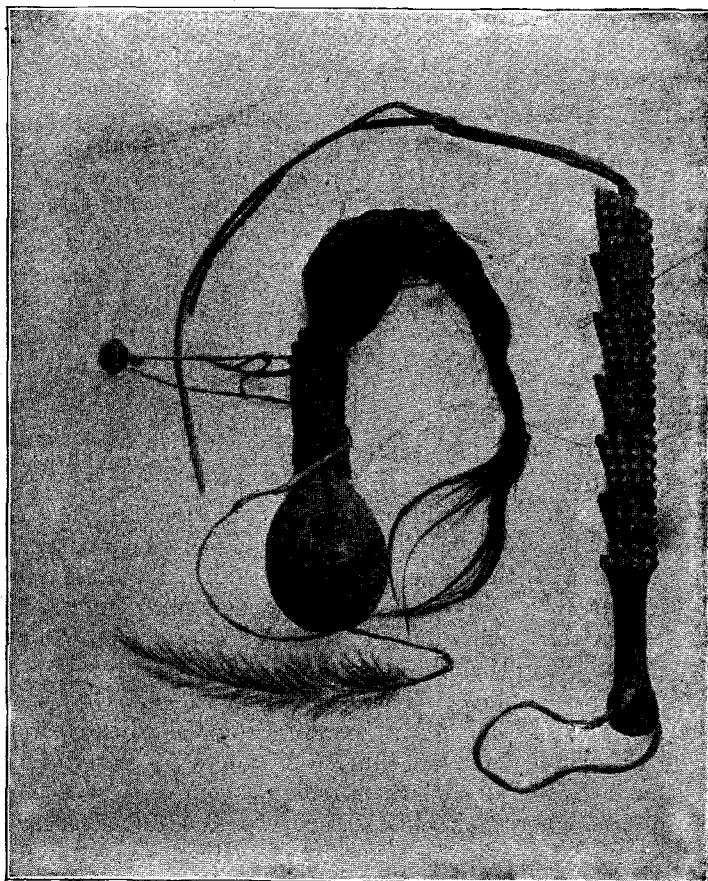


FIG. 94—Dog-soldier insignia—rattle and quirt.

The third order was that of the *Hichää'quthi* or Club men. Their dance was called *Hichää'qawü*. They were an important part of the warrior organization, and were all men in the prime of life. The four leaders carried wooden clubs, bearing a general resemblance in shape to a gun, notched along the edges and variously ornamented. In an attack on the enemy it was the duty of these leaders to dash on ahead and strike the enemy with these clubs, then to ride back again and take their places in the front of the charge. It hardly need be