

Research Collections



Animal Figurine

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Title: Animal Figurine

Date: 1960 – 1970

Material: wood; fibre; metal

Dimensions: 11.5 x 8.7 x 13.3 cm

Description: Simple stick figurine of a pack horse with a diamond hitch pack. Body

formed from a small log, four nails serve as the legs, the 4cm. long neck is a nail bored through the head which is made from a twig section 3.5 x 1 cm. diam. Two eyes represented by two small nails, two ears are also two small nails. The bark from the twig has been shaved at the bottom of the head to suggest the muzzle, an indentation is cut into bottom of head to accommodate the string bridal. The string rein is attached to top of the bulging pack which is fastened with a triple diamond hitch. Two small blocks of wood pack boxes are nailed to the body, one on either side. These blocks are concealed by an unbleached cotton tarp, cotton is stuffed, and bulges unevenly over the securing string. Cinch is fashioned from a piece of insulated copper wire. Strand of thick string nailed to rear for tail. Abrand has been burned into left front: "M" ("M" standing on

rocking arch).

Subject: households

decorative miniatures animal horse

packers and guides

diamond hitch Chuck Millar

Mount Assiniboine

Erling Strom

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