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Dylan Sung wrote:

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ie wrote:

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Hello,

just curious...
have you seen something like this before?
Total length 13cm (5 inches)
The bottom edge (2cm) was sharpened
Origin: Italy

<http://www.imagerage.com/picture/ITp90898.jpg>

TIA

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Yes I have seen such here in
Scandinavia. It's alike the
'modern' type

of

small spades used to take
three 'spoons' of sand/earth
on the coffin

during

burials. I have been told that
the old ones(from Catholic Age
in Sweden)
looking more or less exactly
as the one on the photo was
used by the

pater

or priest. If in the same way as today's or not I don't know.

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A 13 cm spade for throwing earth on the coffin? That's the size of a
small teaspoon. I'd have thought Swedish priests used more man-sized

tools.

I know it's that size. in January same size was
used to throw the earth on a
coffin at the funeral of a person close to our
family in a church here in
Bohuslän. Normally the long part is larger, but I
have seen this size
before.

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Can you explain why the OP say it was sharpened on one edge?
If it's not used for scraping, a sharpened edge is not
necessary.

It is a shit-scraper.

Could the ng treasury stretch to purchase this lovely example of the
genre? We could take turns using it to clean up the place.

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Tom McDonald

<http://ahwhatdoiknow.blogspot.com/>

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