



### Leo Hansen Collection

A collection of 19 pieces of early Eskimo ethnographic items collected in Alaska by Leo Hansen during the Danish "5th Thule Expedition" led by Knud Rasmussen between 1921 and 1924. The collection includes :

A very rare pair of snow goggles carved from a sheet of baleen. They present an archeological aspect and were probably taken from one of the sites that the expedition explored.

A pair of curved, carving knives with riveted steel blades and ornamented bone handles.

A remarkable composite bow composed of bone, ivory, walrus skin and sinew.

A pressure-flaking tool with ivory handle which was used to make flint blades.

Two wood handled skin scrapers with their original flaked stone blades.

Two bone knives with their original slate blades.

An ulu with an iron blade and an ivory handle.

A cylindrical, bone, double ended comb.

A woven baleen basket with ivory centerpieces.

A group of 6 archaic ivory labrets.

An archaic archer's wrist protection with engraved décor.

The dates are variable and range from the late Punuk period up to the late Thule culture spanning approximately 1000 years. All of these objects are used and of normal functional size.