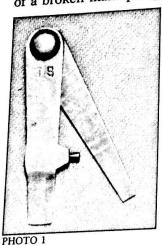
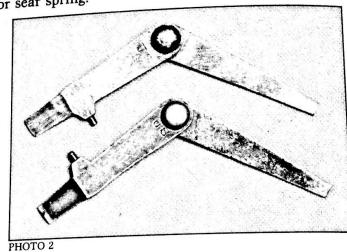


take place. Common field maintenance requiring such a disassembly included replacement of a broken sear, replacement of a broken tumbler and replacement of a broken mainspring or sear spring.





U.S. Model 1897 Combination Tool ("Screwdriver") For Krag Jorgensen Carbine and Rifle

Photo 1 shows the tool as it is most often seen. Photo 2 shows the standard tool (top) compared with an armory-misassembled tool, where the larger arm was reversed for stamping and assembly. The tool at the top is the type shown in the 1898 Krag manual.

The Krag combination tool was called a "screwdriver" in the 1898 Manual and was not designated with a model number. However, an original Springfield Armory drawing calls it a "M1894"- a term never reaching the field or the manuals (19). Later Springfield Armory production records call it a "Model 1897."

Packed four for every 20 carbines or rifles shipped, it is not certain this tool was intended to be issued with each weapon. Though both the carbine and rifle have butt traps, neither were designed to accommodate the tool. The tools are coarsely polished and blued as well as marked "U.S." on the pin leg.

OAL 2 1/2"

OAW At Pin 11/16"