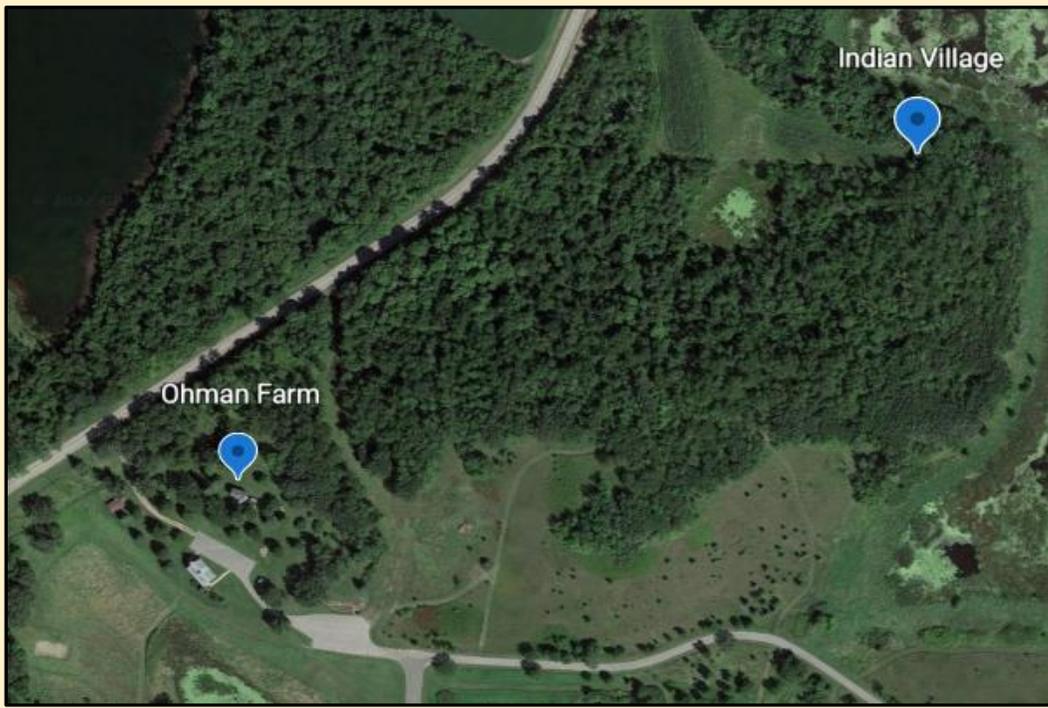


The Chisel Stone



The Chisel Stone was found just north of Runestone Park on private property next to a cornfield under the shade of trees where only sparse vegetation grew. This discovery was on black soil and void of any other lithic material other than this 3-pound 7 oz granite Chisel Stone. And a few feet away, a 2-pound 2 oz Flint Nodule, which Indians typically used in making stone tools such as arrowheads, hide scrapers, knives, etc. (Essay: [The Flint Nodule](#)) This part of the field has not been plowed for a few years. I think both stones were exposed due to the plowing that brought both stones to the surface. The stones were found was the site of the Indian village the 1362 Expedition spent time. Just west of the village site were Indian mounds that had been plowed over about a hundred years ago. Indian mounds are usually found next to a village. (Essay: [The Search for the Indian Village Site](#)).

Black soil in the chisel grooves helped make the Chisel Stone stand out when discovered. After ultrasonic cleaning, the grooves were less visible and challenging to photograph, so the grooves were darked for photographic clarity.



The Chisel Stone found at about the GPS coordinates: [45.815380](#), [-95.665714](#)

Indians lacked the metal tools necessary to make grooves on granite. Only a steel chisel, which only the 1362 Expedition possessed, could have made the grooves. The Kensington Runestone inscription is inscribed into softer greywacke sandstone, and its grooves are deeper. The Chisel Stone is made of harder granite, and its grooves are not as deep.

2700 feet separated from the Chisel Stone discovery site and Runestone Hill. About a ten-minute walk away. There is also 18 Claim Stones (*Essay: [Claim Stones](#)*) with holes created by a steel chisel located in Runestone Park, a distance from 500 to 1800 feet from this Indian village site.

A two-and-a-half-mile drive separates the landowner's farmstead from this remote field. Since 1968, they have owned this field and the nearby property. On this portion of the property, there has never been anything built other than a deer-stand. Also, "No Hunting or Trespassing" signs have always been there. I used a metal detector to scan the field, but nothing was found. The field hasn't seen any non-Indian activity except for the clearing of the trees approximately a century ago, the yearly planting and harvesting of crops, deer hunting, and the 1362 Expedition, that took place about 660 years ago.

If the Chisel Stone was found somewhere else than this Indian village site. It wouldn't be worth looking into because it would just be a stone with chisel grooves. However, The Chisel Stone and Flint Nodule connected to the Indian village site give them both a new meaning and a connection to the 1362 Expedition.



The Chisel Stone when just found.



The Gorian Dig Team of Jeremiah, Matthew, and Derrick sifting the soil for artifacts, at the Indian village site, none were found.



The Chisel Stone Hypothesis

The Indians saw the steel chisel as "**Magical**," doing amazing things that they had never seen before, such as:

- **Cutting a slab of sandstone into a rectangle block.**
(Kensington Runestone)
- **Drilling holes in boulders.** (Claim Stones)
- **Inscribing symbols on stone.** (Kensington Runestone Inscription)
- **Striking a steel chisel against a piece of flint creating sparks.**
(Starting Fire) (*YouTube: [How heathens make fire with FIRESTEEL](#)*)

This Indian village site is where the Kensington Runestone was cut from a slab of sandstone and inscribed, just about a ten-minute walk to Runestone Hill. The Expedition's members doing the cutting and inscription would have an audience. They probably would let some curious onlookers try out the mallet and steel chisel. As a result, they imitated the runic characters in a straight line that is inscribed on the Kensington Runestone. I believe the 3 characters have no meaning.

The Chisel Stone and the Flint Nodule were found next to one another; both having come into contact with a steel chisel. Something that only the 1362 Expedition possessed.

The Chisel Stone, Flint Nodule, Indian Village Site, Claim Stones, Kensington Runestone, and the 1362 Expedition are all associated with each other.

The Chisel Stone is Definitely Associated with the 1362 Expedition

This is private property and posted "No Trespassing." The landowner utilizes their property for hunting and firearm activities. Permission must be obtained each time you enter the property.