Lil found this hook 12/5/72 in straightening out an afghan that hadn't been used in weeks, if not months, in the living room. It was usually kepton the back of an arm chair that is more inaccessible, in a corner. She had placed it folded on the sofa. During the night the McDonald's dog had pulled it part way off the couch. He carries no such hook, made of hard, think wire and obviously not a standard, manufactured item. I have no idea what it is for, who made it, for what purpose, or how it got there or even in the house. I do know that no guest could have deposited it by accident and that I had never seen it before. The only possible inference is that it was left by an intruder. It is shaped like a fishhook, except that where the hook part would be, the barb, it is flared outward and is not barbed. The overall length is about 1 1/2 inches, and bent part is about 3/8 accross, and the length of t e bent part is about 3/4 inches. It is of hard, unplated steel wire that shows no sign of having been rolled up, as on a spool. The end to which a cord might be tied or run through was made by something like needle-nosed pliers. There is no twist at this end, indicating great weight or stress was not anticipated. Mysteries.