



The left hand grips the ear first. Notice the position of the left hand thumb.

This shows the hand with the hook coming back across the ear to open up the shucks.

Here the shucks have been opened up and the left hand thumb is pushing the shucks toward the fingers of the left hand so it can grip the shucks. The right hand thumb is pushing the shucks back also so that the right hand can get a grip on the ear.

Here the right hand is pushing the ear forward and down while the left hand is pulling the shucks back and down. The hands should be going in opposite directions to clean the shucks off the ear.

Now the ear is ready for a quick jerk to break the shank from the stock, keep the left hand holding the shucks. After the ear is freed from the stalk it is tossed into the wagon with the right hand while the left hand is reaching for the next ear.

Picking Upright Ears