



Figure 15 Despite use of scrap cords, close-set Spanish windlasses inboard and out exert pressure sufficient to bend a plank without steaming. Fish Road. Author.



Figure 16 Damaged pirogue is traditionally beached bow-first. The crew erect a canopy to shade the boatbuilder. Fish Road. Author.

groups of fibres which are thoroughly hammered to separate them before being tossed into the underbody ready for the master to use. A pair of men sew, the master inboard, and feed the two-strand cord to each other using a sliver of bamboo as a needle. During sewing the master wields his iron hammer repeatedly to compress the pads of coir which are laid over *chandrús* smeared along a seam (Fig.17). The