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Country Philippine Islands.Locality South Central Mindanao.People Bila-an.

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(1678)

Name Akton<sup>n</sup>; - <sup>wooden</sup> Mans<sup>n</sup> shield the  
 front & back of which is finely carved  
 Centu & sides are decorated with yellow  
 horse hair. Realistic figures of  
 armed man & alligator, & dog  
 on upper half of back. (over)

Collection R. F. Cummings Philippine Expedition, 1909-1911.

F. C. Cole, Collector.

Notes The shield is held in the left hand.  
Cord slips over shoulder when not in use.

Width

Length

Height

Price

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In no place is the decorative art of the tribe better displayed than in the shields carried by the men in battle. They are always carved and are frequently inlaid with shells, glass or beads. The shield is held in the left hand and is used to deflect the spears and arrows of an enemy.