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Provenience: CHINA

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Field No.

People or Culture: Chinese

Object: Pendant

Material: Donor specifies it as being jade, but it more likely is serpentine, or possibly pyrophyllite (judging from hardness, sp. gravity)

Description: Tubular pendant, perforated longitudinally (marks evident on interior surface). Tube wider at ends, narrower in middle, with mid-section showing a squared portion which is decorated on the four sides with four pa-kua 八卦 groups. Shape of the piece imitates a ku 角 bronze vessel. Color:

Dimensions:
(in cm.)

yellow-green mottled with russet. Said by donor to be of Han date, but

Length: a hair under 5.0 cm.

SP. GRAVITY -- IN THE
2.6 - 2.7 RANGE.
HARDNESS -- 2 - 2.5

Collection: Presented by Mr. Philip Pinsof,
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there is doubt of the assignment (one element suggesting a later date, even a modern one, is the fact that the interior of the piece is quite fresh in its appearance). There is the possibility that the piece is a modern or recent piece, used as a girdle pendant

The piece is said to have come from Yamanaka.

