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CHICAGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM—ETHNOLOGY

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Provenience: CHINA

Field No.

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People or Culture: Chinese

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Object: TOGGLE

Material: Boxwood burl

Description: Very old bun toggle of boxwood burl with relief carving on both sides. Outer face carved to represent four large fish circling around a disc surmounted by another disc labeled "moon" in Chinese. The underside has two entwined snakes in high relief, the body of one being undercut for the cord where it crosses the center of the disc. Acquired in Jade Market, Peking, late 1920's, early 1930's.

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Dimensions:

(in cm.)

max diam - 6.0 , max height - 1.9

Acc. 2780

Collection of Chinese Toggles: Gift of Miss C. E. Bieber, 4 October 1962