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Field No.

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Provenience: CHINA

People or Culture: Chinese

Object: TOGGLE

Material: Elephant tusk

Description: Section of pine tree, part of trunk with branch, carved in low relief on the flat inner surface of a segment of elephant tusk; convex outer surface roughened, apparently in an attempt to represent a rock which, like the pine tree, was a symbol of longevity. Hole at one side, between branch and trunk, for passing the cord. Acquired in Jade Market, Peking, late 1920's, early 1930's.

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Dimensions:
(in cm.)

max. length - 4.2, max. width - 3.3, max. thickness - 1.4

Acc. 2780

Collection of Chinese Toggles: Gift of
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