

Troya

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Obverse



Tsuba *Dza Katawa*

Metal *Shibuichi*

School or Style of *Hamao School.*

Maker's Name *Toshihiro
Shofudo.*

Reverse



Date *2nd quarter of 19th Century*

Subject of Decoration *The Three Laughing Philosophers.*

Obverse:— *One of the Three Philosophers retired to an island, for he cared to do nothing with the outer world. His others invited him to a feast and while enjoying himself they led him, unaware*

Reverse:— *across the bridge to the island where they told him he had broken his vow. Since then thereafter they three*

Note:— *lived happily together.*

Reverse. *Wanryaku gote hermits retreat*