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Obverse



Tsuba *of a Katana*

Metal *Shibubiki*

School or Style *Yokoya*

Maker's Name *Somin*

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Reverse



Date *19<sup>th</sup> Century.*

Subject of Decoration *Tadamori and the priest.*

Obverse:— *Hosokawa-empereur with his attendant Tadamori, one rainy night visited his friend from whose house he saw something near the Torii-lamp pillar on the ground of the*

Reverse:— *temple in Kyoto. Thinking it a thief, Hosokawa commanded Tadamori to kill it. The brave yet low official*

Note:— *advanced and captured the creature and dragged him along instead of killing him and discovered him to be the high priest of the temple who, with a straw rain-hat was replenishing the lamp with oil. When Hosokawa heard this it was, the faithful priest he rewarded Tadamori for not killing him immediately and gave him all the precious things he had.*

Moral:— *Do investigate it before you act, as Tadamori did.*