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No. 483

Obverse



Tsuba *Da Katawa*
Metal *Steel*
School or Style *Kan'eiye*
Maker's Name *Unknown*

Reverse



Date *1st half of 18th Cent*

Subject of Decoration *Sho - Chik - Bai (Pine - bamboo + Plum)*

Obverse: - *Flowering plum - pine tree and bamboo all inlaid or applied - in copper, silver + gold.*

Reverse: - *Branches of budding plums.*

Note: - *These subjects are usually emblematic of longevity but each of these plants conveys a different sentiment in regard to expressions in tales and poems. For instance the pine may become an emblem of endurance.*