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Country China.Locality Singanfu.People Chinese.

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Name Brass Bed-warmer, a hollow sphere composed of two hemispheres of in open work, a brass ^{only} ball to be filled with charcoal is so suspended inside that it cannot turn upside down, when the ball is rolling. The mechanical principle is the same as that known to us as Cardanus' suspension.

Collection Mrs T. B. Blackstone Expedition,18th Century. Berthold Laufer, Collector 1908-1910.Notes Origin in the Han dynasty, see Laufer,Han Pottery p. 196-7.

diameter of sphere — opening diameter of iron ball
 Width 18.4 cm Length — Height 7.6 cm Price 3T

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