CHICAGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM—ETHNOLOGY Provenience: CHINA 233912 1-2 People or Culture: Chinese Inscription: prob. Late Field No. Ch'ing. Object: Inscribed tablet and stand Material: Tablet: calcareous limestone and fossil trilobites: stand: wood Description: Rectangular slab of calcareous limestone, Upper Lower Cambrian period, 485 million years old, on a low rectangular brown wooden stand. One side an irregular layer composed of a tangled mass of Neg. No. fossil trilobites, one of which is drepanura Dimensions: part |- 18.2 x 13 x | (over) 97699 ~ (in cm.) part 2-16.7 x 7.3 x 4.7 207 Collection:

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ized surface inscribed with a 20 character poem:

"His forehead creased with Trouble's line He gazed upon the surface of his pool. 'The wind has marked its surface: Worry, mine.

"And Worry is the pastime of the fool." (Translation do ne by an unknown person is subject to criticism.)



See Bergeron, M.J. "Etude de gudgues trilobitos de Chine" (Bulletin de la Societe Geologique de France, 3rd series, vol. 27; See also pl. 13 a plaque similar to ours.

CROSS REFERENCE

54B-33 Inscribed Tablets

See also: 54B (Ch'in--Modern)

2/09 Cricket paraphernalia

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37/01 Pillars

38/04 Inscribed tablets, tombstones

39 Ritual Miscellanea