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Field No.

Provenience: POLYNESIA
Vavau Island (Tonga)
People or Culture: Tongan

Object: Apron-skirt

Material: Sea shells and plant fiber. (Shells are abundant in mangrove and salt marsh areas.)

Description: Small shells woven into a pattern on fiber cords. Brown background formed by Melampus caffer shells with Melampus luteus forming a dog and a bird or chicken. Handicraft.

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Dimensions:
(in cm.)

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Collection: Obtained by Mrs. I. Newton Perry of Chicago while on visit to Tonga in February, 1958.