

FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY.

Country Dutch East Indies 29-11
 Locality Lake Toba, Sumatra
 People Toba Batak Malayan Stock

1242

Name Tunggal panaluan. Priest's or magician's staff.

Very old and renowned specimen with carvings of men and animals which assisted in recovering a mythical brother and sister who had been carried to the top of a giant tree by a vine. When such a pole is dedicated, a slave is killed and its brains fed to the carvings. The magician then controls the spirit of the slave.

Collection Arthur B. Jones Expedition to Malaysia, 1922=3.
F. C. Cole, Collector.

Notes Nos. 161371-377 have been long in use and each was christened with a human sacrifice.

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