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Provenience: Benin, Nigeria

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Object: Key and chain

People or Culture: Bini

Material: Bronze

Description: Catalogue plate XXIV.

Key and chain of 14 links. At top of key is a Janus head of an Oba with an arm going down each side to grasp the tail of a leopard.

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each side to grasp the tail of a leopard.

The leopard is shown photo on REVERSE SIDE devouring a goat. Imitations of the heads of screws decorate the handle, around which, where it joins the stem, is a coral-bead col-

lar with, on it in relief, 2 human & 2 leo-Dimensions: L. of chain and key 38.3; 1. of key 18.7 (in cm.)

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pard heads. Above the collar, in relief, are lips and the end of a nose. The stem or body of the key has patterns chased on it.

see accession jacket for additional information

