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Provenience: Mozambique or Zanzibar, East
Africa, Africa

People or Culture:

Object: Shield--hippototomus hide

Description:

Material: translucent, amber-colored (surface)

Shape: round hippopotomus hide

Decoration: (BACKED BY CIRCLES OF CARDBOARD)

Four decorative bosses of brass, each
designed to look like a lily
blossom turned upside down.

Decorative design in gold in (over)

Dimensions: Maximum diameter: ca. 35.2 cm.
(in cm.)

Thickness of the edge: ca. .90 cm.

Collection: Presented by Admiral Royal E. Ingersoll 12/9/53.

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center and on periphery of the front side,
and also on the periphery of the back side.

Attachments: Inner side of shield manifests four
iron pins with iron rings. These fittings
were part of the device for gripping the shield
shield. According to the information sent by
the donor, the shield formerly was also fitted
with flannel pads to cushion the hand.

Date: about 1888-1889

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