

## IMPERIAL ROBE

Ceremonial robe of emperor. Yellow silk, yellow being the privileged color of the imperial house in the Ch'ing, or Manchu Dynasty. The robe is richly decorated with twelve emblems of imperial power, and also with various auspicious symbols. These emblems and symbols are worked into the yellow silk ground in *k'o-ssu* tapestry technique.

Ch'ien-lung period