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Provenience: POLYNESIA (Cook Islands) Aitutaki

Field No.

People or Culture:

none

Object: Carved slab

Material: Wood, twisted sennit

Description: Hard, brown wood with a smooth polish. Back surface unworked. Front surface displays a series of transverse raised zigzag lines, notched sides and at the top are three stylized representations of human figures. From the handle two separate (over)

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Dimensions:
(in cm.)

length: 50.0 cm.

Collection: Capt. & Mrs. A.W.F. Fuller

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masses of twisted sennit fiber. This is a most rare piece, there being only 8 others previously known. See Buck, P. H., Arts and Crafts of the Cook Islands, Bernice P. Bishop Museum Bulletin 179, 1944, pp. 331-337. Purchased by Fuller at a London auction on June 20, 1960 and presented to the Museum in July, 1960. Extremely rare.

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