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CHINA

SNUFF BOTTLE

Material *agate*Dimensions *8.5 cm h., 5.8 cm w., 3.8 cm th.*

Original No.

Marks —

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Attribution *Ch'ing*

Description *Reddish brown opaque agate bottle, carved with cameo figures from the ivory-brown colored rind. On one side are four "fu-dogs" or lions playing with a ball; on the other side an old recluse sits near a pine tree*

Published: Laufer, Berthold. Catalogue of a collection of ancient Chinese snuff-bottles in the possession of Mrs. George T. Smith. Chicago, 1913.

Photograph

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while in front of him is a calabash from the mouth
of which floats a column of smoke or ether, with
two bats poised in the top of the column. The
carving on this battle is particularly fine.
Stopper of green jade.