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Opium Pipe

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Title: Opium Pipe

Date: 1890 – 1915

Material: metal; fibre; glass

Description: A tall silver coloured opium pipe complete with tweezers and brush. The

main body is two cylinders 6.5 cm high 3.3 cm dia. with two smaller cylinders between them, decorated with birds, flowers and grasses. One of the bigger cylinders has a flip up lid, the other is the base for a long pipe 34.5 cm high. It has another cylinder protruding out from the base beside the long pipe, a heavy open rod 12.5 cm long fits into it. Tweezers are 13.0 cm long. The brush has a 13.5 cm long metal handle. There is another open ended cylinder which fits into one of the small cylinders on the base. The tweezers and the brush stand in these. A long silk string has a fancy flat knot from which hang two small glass painted balls then the tassels bound tightly with wire. A metal hook is tied onto the string as well, it hooks on to the top of the pipe. Inscriptions on the outside of the pipe have been translated as "Long Good Luck", and the inside says

"Made in Hong Kong".

Subject: Bankhead

Chow Dung Hee

Slippy

Henry Ness

smoking

Credit: Gift of Pauline Ness Williams, Kanata, 1997

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