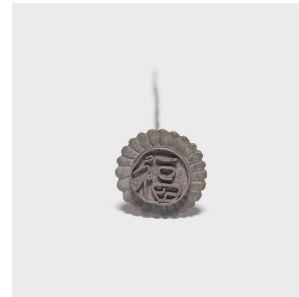

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GOOD FORTUNE HAIRPIN

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c. 1900 • China • Silver • Collection #NN008A

H: 5.0" Dia: 1.0"

Although eyes were certainly drawn to the high, fan-shaped headdresses that Qing-dynasty women affixed to back of their heads, it was the finishing touch of a hairpin or two that completed the look. This silver hairpin ends in a round floral medallion framing the decorative Fu (福) character for "good fortune." Attached to the front of a fine lady's coiffure, this little hairpin would have brought her blessings of luck and prosperity.



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