

Finch & C^o



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19 TH CENTURY

SIZE : 5 CMLONG – 2INS LONG

MADE BY A SHAMAN , SMALL AMULETS OR CHARMS SUCH AS THIS EXAMPLE DEPICTING A FOX ARE WORN OR CARRIED BY HUNTERS WHO BELIEVE THAT THE AMULETS HAVE THE POWER TO HEAR THE CLICKING OF WALKING CARIBOU , OR TO SEE SWIMMING GEESE AND ROAMING POLAR BEARS THAT ARE FAR AWAY . THE AMULETS LEAD HUNTERS TO THE ANIMALS AND GUIDE THEIR ARROWS , LANCES AND HARPOONS .