



## Steelyard Scale with Container

**Date**

19th Century

**Medium**

Wood, string, ivory and metal

**Description**

Wood and metal scale carved into bulbous shaped container with a long, thin handle. The wooden container

holds a metal plate attached with black thread to a cylindrical weight and long, thin ivory stick. The wooden container is open and can be closed by sliding a band of knotted string up and down the container's handle. Han culture, China; 19th century

**Dimensions**

3 3/8 × 16 in. (8.6 × 40.6 cm)