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A rare Cast-Iron and Silver Inlay *Ruyi* Scepter
Qing Dynasty, Qianlong period (1736-95)

Well cast, the quatrefoil head with silver-inlay decoration, the central medallion with a peony on a "huei" diaper background within a double band border. The reverse inlaid with a six-character "da qing qian long nian zhi" mark. The elegantly curved shaft decorated overall with five archaistic characters within a round reserve on the same "huei" diaper decoration as on the head. The silver inlay of very fine quality.

Provenance:
David Kidd Collection, Japan, Kyoto

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