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PLATE I

Amita Triad rising over Hills Traditionally ascribed to Eshin Sözu Genshin Japanese, 942–1017

Owned by the Konkai Kömyö-ji, Kyöto, and now deposited in the Imperial Museum, Kyöto

This group of Amita Buddha with Kwannon on the right and Seishi on the left is generally believed by critics to be a work of the Kamakura period (thirteenth century); but in the author's opinion the traditional ascription should be accepted. The text inscribed on the two upper corners expresses the artist's devotion to Buddha, and in this inscription the author' sees Eshin's autograph.

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DEDICATED TO THE PIOUS AND BEAUTIFUL SOUL OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Di questa costa, là dov' ella frange Più sua ratlezza, nacque al mondo un sole, Come fa questo talvolta di Gange.

Però chi d'esso loco fa parole Non dica Ascesi, chè direbbe corto, Ma Oriente, se proprio dir vuole. Dants, Paradiso.

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