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LOT 3501

A fine mid to late 19th century kindjal or qama shortsword, probably from Georgia or surrounding Caucasus, with double-edged fullered blade, blade length 40cm, detailed with inlaid gold script and maker's mark, and walrus tusk-applied plate grips with profusely engraved and gold-finished foliate designs and boss-type gold damascened studs, with similarly decorated walrus tusk-applied scabbard with fine all-over engraved and gold-finished foliate designs with niello and parcel gilt edging and chape, the top with a panel of script, probably a presentation, to the back a utility knife with walrus tusk grip and decorated white metal pommel, with an associated dress knot.

Estimate: £3,000 - £5,000

Condition Report

3501. Qama in overall extremely good condition. Some light wear to leather backing and to stud tops on back side of grip. A little expansion to side bands on scabbard and just pulling away from tooth ivory mountings. Bi-knife has damage to tooth ivory grip on lower section where it meets the blade. Some old white filler present. Silver terminal to bi-knife also worn with some damage and loss.

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