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When a chief dies, his copper shield is broken up and distributed. The pieces are portions of his body. The raised cross represents his backbone (In later days the cross came to be associated with the Biblical cross).

Only chiefs owned coppers. Their use is ancient.

Originally they were made of lumps of native copper from Alaska; it was the stock in trade of the Haidas to get copper and make these shields. In (Clifton's) own myth it mentions that they brought coppers with them from the headwaters of the Skeena.

In the myth of origin of copper shields, the copper is supposed to be the solidified blood of slaves who had been killed; thus their immense value.

A copper would be of greater value if it was broken and the pieces retrieved and put together again (by beating or riveting)