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## Greek Icon of an Unidentified Bishop-Saint

The bishop-saint is shown full-length holding a book in his left hand and blessing with his right. He has a long divided beard; his halo is made of incised dots; and remnants of his name, in red, are barely visible to the left and right of his head. The background is divided into three fairly equal parts: gold at the top, red in the center, and green at the bottom. The overall condition of the icon is only fair. It is badly in need of cleaning, little of the red paint on the raised border being visible. There has been slight damage to the face of the saint and a large area of the gold background has been lost on the right side. An area near the center of the bottom edge of the panel has suffered from candle burn.

5 1/4" x 7 1/2"

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The icon, from Salonica, was purchased in Greece in 1958 for about \$50.