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From the Editor

This issue brings to a close the first year of publication of The Q. From a first issue that was beset with major problems, we think we have made tremendous progress in removing the “glitches” from the magazine. However, before we break our arms patting ourselves on the back, Linda and I realize that the jury is still out on the final test of success or failure of this enterprise. That lies in your hands. The hands of our readers, advertisers and contributing writers. In the next few weeks you must decide whether or not to renew your subscriptions, renew your advertising commitment or contact us with your ideas for an article. We’ll let you know how it turns out.

On to other matters. The markets, both stock and antiques, seem to be heading skyward. The Stock market fluctuates wildly, depending on some portfolio manager’s interpretation of the latest governmental report or the latest pronouncements from on high of the Chairman of the Federal Reserve. On the other hand, the antiques market seems to have completely recovered from the disastrous plunge experienced in the early 1990’s, when the art and furniture markets seemed to implode. The two little segments of this larger antiques market, that concern us are also enjoying a resurgence, with good solid prices being recorded at most auctions. In the “Around the Block” feature, this month, you will read of a single blue lacy candlestick reaching an extremely strong price and we are happy to report that the Liverpool pitcher we illustrated on page 37 of the July/August issue, sold at Skinner’s for a strong $20,700.00 (including premium). That bodes well for the general market and for our book on Liverpool, which is scheduled for release in 1998.

Ah yes, 1998 is just around the corner. A new year of discovery, acquisition, education and dispersal. I can hardly wait to see the interesting pieces which will unexpectedly present themselves. We’ll fight over them. Some of us will acquire them. Some of us will call them great and others will shake their heads in disbelief. The Q will report it all. The good, the bad and the ugly. In the meantime, let us be the first to wish you a most healthy and prosperous New Year.

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or Joseph Arman.

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In the recent issue of The Q, you mentioned the “buzzard” eagle. Enclosed is really a buzzard eagle!

Marvin Engle

Enclosed are the photos of the “Dix Cove on the Gold Coast, Africa” oversized tureen from the Irregular Shell Border series by Enoch Wood & Sons.

If you compare to the photo in Snyder’s book, p 140, you see that my tureen is much shorter and longer than the standard model. The border design at the bottom has been completely eliminated on my tureen. I was told that this is probably the base to a three piece hot water dish which would have included a liner and a high dome lid. An example of this type of piece is known in the ‘Landing of LaFayette’ pattern by Clews (see ‘The Richards Collections’ catalogue for March 26 & 27, 1994) but no other examples of this type are known to me by Wood or any other potter. Perhaps the readers can help with this one.

The hot water dish base is dark blue, 14” L., opening is 10 3/8” x 8 1/4”, 4 3/4” H. The base measures 8 1/2” x 6 1/2”. I have 2 soup tureen undertrays, one Grapevine Border and the other Circular Shell Border and believe me they don’t fit. The indentation on the regular soup tureen undertray is 7 1/2” x 6”. This is 1” shorter and 1/2” narrower. Frankly I am not convinced that this piece even came with an undertray. For example, covered entre dishes and covered vegetable dishes have no undertrays.

Probably the most interesting aspect of this piece is the underglaze blue mark on the bottom. It clearly reads “DIX COVE ON THE GOLD COAST, AFRICA” on a rock cartouche. To my knowledge this mark is unique. I know of no other pieces in this series with an u/g blue mark, all others are either marked on the front in the rocks or not at all. Perhaps this is because they chopped off the bottom design where the view name would usually be.

Norman Wolfe
Can You Identify These?

Excerpt of a letter from George Kahule:

"......I've enclosed some pictures of things that I can get very little (information) on. You may think they are "discoveries".

#1. The blue decanters I've never seen before. There was one with no stopper lot #283 in the Bourne Sale of 12/12/89 where he described it as "Double cut overlay Sandwich decanter with a frosted "grape leaf" pattern and opaque white cut to clear panels. Mine are white cut to clear cut to blue and with stoppers measure 16 3/4" tall. The stoppers are not interchangeable and bases and stoppers are cut with Roman numerals, so you can tell which goes where.

#2. Barlow/Kaiser do a lot with overlay lamps, but not much with decanters and spills. I am almost certain these are Sandwich based on the motifs. The strange star on the spill I've never seen in literature, but I have very little on the New England Glass Company. It might be theirs.

#3. The third one is a spill or spooner in paneled (blue) inverted diamond point. The panels are separated by a vertical prism-shaped strip. The pressed glass books I have say nothing about inverted diamond point, much less in colored flint.

George Kahule

Okay glass experts, can you help Mr. Kahule with his attributions? Do you know if any of these pieces are illustrated and where?

Grapevine Border Series

The latest issue of the 'Q' came yesterday and once again you have outdone yourselves. This issue is better than the last two put together. I guess the only question is 'can you top this one'?

In reference to 'Woods Grapevine Border Series' WGB 69 - Unidentified view #3 and WGB 69 - Unidentified view #4 are the same view.

I have always called WGB 70 - Unidentified view #5 'Ross Castle, Monmouthshire'. It bears a strong resemblance to the left half of WGB 49, named as above. If you look in Dict II, p 171 it states that the existence of Ross Castle has still not been proved. It goes on to speculate that this view may actually be 'Kirkstall Abbey, Yorkshire'. I do not have the 6" plate of Ross Castle(WGB 49) so I have no idea if it is underglaze blue marked or not.

In Friends of Blue bulletin 85, p 4 a close-up photo is shown of this same view but from the Folke and Scroll border series shared by Clews and Adams. This view has been identified as Kirkstall Abbey by Mr. David Furniss who grew up nearby. The article goes on to say that 'there are still substantial remains by the side of the River Aire'. The source of this view is still unknown.

I have this same view from the Folke and Scroll border series in my collection and a photo is enclosed for comparison. Frankly, the ruins do look more like an Abbey than a Castle. As with all of the views in this series, the plate is unmarked. It has a different body style and footrim from the other pieces I have which are marked Clews, so I have attributed this view to Adams. It has also been attributed to Adams in the above mentioned ar-
article from FOB bulletin 85.

What does all of this mean? Just another question mark for the records I am afraid.

Norm - when I first looked at WGB 68 and WGB 69, I agreed that you were right, then I realized I was illustrating the view of the cover as Unidentified #4. Sorry for the confusion. For our readers: any clarification of the question WGB 70 being WGB 49? Personally, I do not agree, as there is little resemblance in the building and the figures in the foreground are totally different. This necessitated a different copper plate, hence, I believe, a different view. Any comments readers?

Norman Wolfe

Clues on Clews

We recently found a swan creamer who’s pattern has previously been attributed to the Shorthose or Bellevue potteries (see photo). However, the pseudo-Chinese mark on the bottom (as pictured), is the same as the mark which we previously found on a pepper pot which has the Clews Basket of Flowers pattern. We mentioned to Norman Wolfe that the clues pointed to the creamer being Clews. Norman kindly researched the pattern and found in Williams and Weber, Staffordshire II (page 364) a Clews saucer that is both impressed with the Clews crown in a circle mark and contains the same pseudo-Chinese printed mark. We can now attribute this pattern to Clews, although the other factories may also have used it.

One of the pleasures of the “Q” is the connections it forges between collectors who can share information. Thanks again for your efforts.

Jodie Siddall
David Hoexter

Wood’s Grapevine Border Series

First, I would like to congratulate both of you on the wonderful job being done in publishing “The China and Glass Quarterly”. I look forward to the future issues.

Read the recent article on Vine Leaf & Grapevine Border series in the April/May 1997 issue which prompted me to send the enclosed photos of a covered tureen that may be of interest. It measures: 10 1/8″ diameter; 7 1/2″ diameter of base; 4 1/4 height; 7 1/2 height with lid and there are no marks.

RLS 1 - “Balloch Castle, Dumbartonshire”, page 68

Blue & White Printed Pottery, Volume I Goysh & Henrywood (a) Page 239 - sauceboat by Marsh (b) Page 322 - sauceboat, Maker Unknown.

Perhaps some of the views on this tureen would be identifiable by you or your readers. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Bill and Betty Annable

Friends of Blue Exhibition and Catalogue Information

An Exhibition of late 18th and early 19th century Blue and White transfer printed pottery to mark the 25th Anniversary of the Friends of Blue has been organised, in collaboration with the Wedgwood Museum, at the Wedgwood Visitor Centre, Barlaston, Stoke-on-Trent, from March 21st to July 12th 1998. The Exhibition has about 750 pieces, most of which are from members collections and many of which have not been illustrated or reported previously. A 172 page book containing essays by leading authorities on Blue and White pottery as well as photographs, 12 pages in colour, of all the exhibits is being published. It will be available at the Exhibition or from The Oakland Press, P O Box 39, Portsmouth, RI 02871 for a price as yet to be determined, plus postage and handling (see below).

Editor’s Note: We have made arrangements to purchase several hundred catalogues and will have them shipped to the United States. We have not been told the suggested retail price, as yet. I am sure we will have more information in the January/February issue.
IMPORTERS, RETAILERS, WHOLESALERS, and AUCTIONEERS
OF EARTHENWARE AND SOUVENIR WARES IN THE
UNITED STATES AND CANADA - PART I

by

Arnold Kolwalsky

From the eighteenth to the twentieth century importers and/or retailers played an important role in distributing table and decorative wares throughout the United States and Canada. As in England, china and earthenware destined for sale and distribution was auctioned on U.S. and Canadian wharves during the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. As towns and cities grew, so did an emerging network of importers, retailers and tradesmen who brought their wares to all areas of the expanding North American continent. Importers and retailers, as well as others, used china and earthenware as an advertising vehicle as is evident by the printed back stamps of the “American and Canadian Importer” listing.

An exception has been noted for the American importer, John Greenfield, importer of china and earthenware, at No. 77 Pearl Street, New York. His marking (the only one recorded to-date) is an impressed double circle (recorded in the FOB Bulletin No. 94, Winter ’96/’97, p. 8).

Canada’s rich history of china imports paralleled that of the United States. The major waterways of Canada not only helped move wares into the back country, but also served to move goods of the constantly expanding china trade into the United States via the Mississippi, Missouri and Ohio Rivers, etc. Later expansion was effected by rail and other avenues of ground transportation. Flow Blue chinaware was the predominant media used and ordered for advertising and special occasion pieces. In addition, military camps, ship-building lines, hotels, taverns, etc. placed direct orders for their china/earthenware needs as well as orders for special and/or occasional pieces. Further, pattern and/or maker’s marks, back stamps often included advertising marks, as noted, but not limited to:

SAMPSON BRIDWOOD & SON (LTD.) “Made for Walker and Pratt Manufacturing Company, Boston, Massachusetts” marked “Crawford Cooking Ranges.” (Crawford Cooking Ranges has also been noted with a Rowland & Marselles marking.)

BURGESS & LEIGH, Burleigh pattern imprinted with the Harvard University Insignia. W.H. GRINDELEY & CO., Melbourne pattern marked “First Baptist Ladies Society, 1904.”

GEORGE JONES & SONS (LTD), Abbey Pattern - a “Shredded Wheat Dish” used as a promotional give-away.


The late Victorian period ushered in the manufacture of English china “Souvenir” wares, predominantly in blue, another important export commodity to the United States. Many of these “Souvenir” wares are marked and identified by both the potter and importer. With the emergence of department stores, which now brought specialties under one roof, this late Victorian fad found new venues for reaching the market place.

I have attempted to organize this information into a cohesive, but nowhere complete, listing which is separated into four sections:

**American Importers, Wholesalers, Retailers and Auctioneers, 18th -early 20th century.**

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**Canadian Importers, Wholesalers, Retailers and Auctioneers, 18th -early 20th century.**

**American Importers, Wholesalers, Retailers of “Souvenir” Wares, late 19th -early 20th century.**

American and Canadian Importers, Wholesaler, Retailers and Auctioneers of the 18th -early 20th century which are listed below do not represent the total body of trades people nor manufacturers. In most cases addresses and dates recorded for retailers, importers and the like may not represent the actual addresses and dates of the company’s listed due, in part to conflicting material. This information has been recorded as it was found, and are vignettes gleaned from bills of lading, correspondence, newspaper ads, etc. Willow Ware Imports and Retailers have been recorded from ongoing research of back stamp markings.

This is an area that is ripe for further scrutiny. Such research and the resulting data would definitely provide invaluable insight into the dating of imported wares and their respective manufacturers.

For further reading, I would direct the researcher and collector to the following selected references (see bibliography for complete titles): David & Linda Arman, Edwin Atlee Barber, Blue Berry Notes, Arlene Burgess, Elizabeth Collard, Neil Ewins, Mary and Frank Gaston, Ellen Hill, Sam Laidacker, Ellouise Baker Larsen, Frank Stefano, Jean and Petra Williams.

1) This section records information taken from printed back stamp markings.
2) This section is not recorded from back stamp markings but abstracted from sources noted above.
3) This section records information gleaned from various printed and recorded sources as listed above as well as from the bibliography.
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Ed. The following information is taken from Encyclopedia of American, English and European Earthenware, Ironstone, Stoneware (1780-1980) to be published in 1998. (Copyright pending).
IMPORTERS, WHOLESALERS, RETAILERS, AUCTIONEERS
ENGLISH IMPORTS -18TH THROUGH EARLY 20TH CENTURY
UNITED STATES

IMPORTER
R.J. Allen, Son & Co.
309/311 Market St.
Philadelphia,
J.L. Atenbaugh
Tiffin, Ohio
Imported By
Babcock Brothers
Evansville, Indiana
Baldwin, Pond & Co.
Woonsocket (RI)
L. Barth & Son
New York [NYC]
(c. 1900)
J. D. Bass
Boston (MA), America
C. 1810
N. G. Bassett
Importer
Newburyport (MA)
C. 1840s
Mr. Billsland, Importer
447 Broadway
New York (N.Y.C.)
(C. 1840s-1852)
Clifford Black & Co.
Malden, Mass.
F. J. Blair
Importer
Corner of Wisconsin & Water Sts.,
Milwaukee, Wis.
Manufactured
For / Bowman & Bowlush
(C. 1830-1880)
Enos Briggs
Importers of Earthenware
Boston (MA)
Richard Briggs
Boston (MA)
C. 1800s
John W. Bull
No. 70 State Street
Hartford (CT)
C. 1840s
Burley & Co.
C. 1890s
Burgess & Goddard
Importers
New York City
P. & I. Chamberlain
Importers
Louisville (KY)
Clark, Livering & Co
Importer
more [MD]

POTTER REPRESENTED
F. R. Pratt & Co.
Anthony Shaw & Son(s)
Thomas Goodfellow
Jacob Furnival
Wood & Sons, Ltd.
Minton
J. & G. Alcock

IMPORTER
Davis Collamore & Co.
B'way, Corner 21st S
New York (N.Y.C.)
c. 1860s
Gilman Collamore & Co
Union Square
New York (N.Y.C.)
c. late 1870s
Horace Collamore
Boston, (MA)
(c. 1814-1820)
Manufactured for
Davenport Bros.
203 Greenwich St.
N.Y. (N.Y.C.)
(c. 1842-1890/92)
G. Dummer & Co.
China Dealers
112 Broadway
N. (New) York (NYC)
Ebbets & Gale
71 Pearl [St.]
New York City (NY)
early 1800's
Evan's & Hill
Importers
Concord, NH
Wood & Sons Ltd.

POTTER REPRESENTED
W. T. Copeland & Sons*
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William Davenport & Co. (& possibly Henry, 1881-1897)
Bailey & Batkin
Joseph Clementson
Clementson Bros. (Ltd.)
New Hall,
(Bone China).
John Davenport
Podmore, Walker & (Co.)
See P. Williams, Flow Blue,
Vol. 1, p. 89 for pattern
"Bouquet" marked "F&W".
Joseph Clementson
J. C. Fairchild
Madison
Mich (or marked) WIS.
c. 1850's
Field & Clark
Importers of Earthenware
Utica (NY)
c. 1822-1829
Manufactured for & Imported by
Channcey J. Filley
St. Louis, M.O.
(c. 1854)
Manufactured for & Imported by
E.A. & S.R. Filley,
St. Louis, M (MO)
(c. 1854)
T. J. & J. Mayer
W.B. Fuller Co.
Mansfield [MA]
Wood & Sons Ltd.
Joseph Clementson
A.S. Gardner & Co.
Cleveland -O (OH)]

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* For a listing of importer names on back stamps of W.T. Copeland & Sons,
1860-1953, refer to Copeland, pp. 94-100.
Henderson & Gaines
Importers
45 Canal St.
New Orleans (LA)
c. 1834-1836

Henshaw & James
Importers of Earthen Ware and Chinaware
Boston (MA)
c. 1815-1818

Hill & Henderson
Importers
New Orleans (LA)
c. 1822-1834

Geo. T. Horn
House Furnishers
Charleston (MA)

Huntington & Brooks
235 Main St.
Cincinnati (OH)
c. 1890's

J.C. Huntington & Co.
102 Main St.
Cincinnati (OH)

James & Mathier
Detroit (MI)
c. 1850's

80 Pearl Street
New York (NYC)

J. & J. Mayer
(Mrs.) Sackett & Co.
Pittsburgh (PA)
1870's

J. McDivitt & Straton
Importers
[Boston, MA]
c. 1890's

Imported by
T. Kissam
145 Maiden Lane
New York, (NY)
c. 1840s

Robert Lawrence
[Pearl Street]
Cincinnati (OH)

Class. Lovesey & Co.
Importers
Baltimore (MD)

JNO. R. Ludlow & Co.
Charleston, S.C. (SC)
c. 1802-1828

H.P. Merrill
Sandusky, Ohio
ca. 1840s - early 50's

Henshaw, Williamson & Co.
(Fourth Avenue Building"

Joseph Heath
ca. 1845-1853

H. Miller
Alexandria, VA
1840

Ovington Brothers
1 Brooklyn (NY)
c. 1800's

Peppard & Callan
Importers
Pittsburgh (PA)

W. H. Plummer
26 West 22nd or 23rd Street
New York (NYC)

A. Reeves & Co.
Louisville, (KY)
c. 1852-1859

J. & J. Mayer
(Mrs.) Sackett & Co.
Pittsburgh (PA)
1870's

Edward Clarke & Co.

J. & G. Alcock

Brown-Westhead Moore & Co.

Wood & Sons
pattern noted as "Chain of States"

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<td>Taylor &amp; Wright Importers 62 Pearl Street New York, (N.Y.C.)</td>
<td>J. Wedg Wood</td>
<td>(2) See White Ironstone Notes, Vol.3, No. 3, Winter 1992, p.12 for a copy of importer's marks. Also refer to G. Bowman, included in Souvenir Wares Section, as the company may have preceded Bowman &amp; Boulsh.</td>
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<td>H.P. &amp; W.C. Taylor Perfumers Philadelphia (PA) c. 1865</td>
<td>Podmore, Walker (Co.)</td>
<td>(3) See Arman Quarterly, Vol. 1, 1997, p. 34 where two importer's marks are noted on one piece.</td>
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<td>Thompson &amp; Parish 10 Pearl Street or 79 Pearl Street New York (N.Y.C.)</td>
<td>J. &amp; G. Alcock</td>
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<td>Tyndale and Mitchell No. 219 Chestnut Street Philadelphia (PA) c. 1847-1861</td>
<td>Francis Morley &amp; Co.</td>
<td>(6) See Ewins, p. 96, Plate 16</td>
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| L. Weishaber & Co. New York (N.Y.C.) c. 1840-1890 | Wm. Smith (Co.) | (7) Arman notes in Historical Staffordshire: Updated Supplement: "...Errors corrected... Change the attribution of the maker of both the Cities Series and the Don Quixote Series from Clews to Davenport."
| R.M. Williams 183 Washington St. New York (N.Y.C.) | John Wedgwood | (8) Sam Laidacker notes in the American Antiques Collector, Vol. 1, March 1940, No. 9, "...Peppard's were in business and Callan became a lawyer and that ... at any time from 1819 to 1848 these men could have had an importing business in addition to their regular work..." p. 189 |
| Peter Wright (Co. & Sons) Importers Philadelphia (PA) U.S.A. 1810s+ | Thomas Furnival & Co. | - Both Montgomery Ward and Sears & Roebuck were actively involved in the import of English Earthenware and China to the United States (1870s+). (Microfilm and catalogs are available at the New York Public Library System, and Montgomery Ward Catalogs are available on microfilm at the University of Wyoming Library.) |

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**Duplicate Auction Catalogues For Sale**

1. Lorimer, Part I, Parke-Bernet, March 29,30,31, April 1, 1944. Includes Staffordshire, Glass and Lustre...$75.00
2. Lorimer, Part II, Parke-Bernet, October 21-28, 1944. Same...$75.00
   and Prints...$45.00
4. Frelinghuysen, Parke-Bernet, Jan. 24/25, 1964. Staff. figures, toby jugs and lustre. $35.00
5. Susse, Parke-Bernet, March 19-21, 1959. Early American Glass, export and historical prints...$35.00
6. Yager, Parke-Bernet, March 17-20, 1943. Hist. Staff., English Ceramics...$75.00
7. Howe, Part I, Parke-Bernet, Nov. 7-8, 1940. Early American Glass...
   $75.00
8. Howe, Part II, Same, April 3/4, 1941. EAG.....$75.00
9. Wood, Parke-Bernet, Jan. 22/23, 1942. Early American Glass...$75.00
10. Fish, Parke-Bernet, Jan. 5/6, 1940. Early American Glass. $100.00
11. MacIntyre, American Art Assn., Dec. 5-7, 1935. Early American Glass. $75.00

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BLUE-PRINTED POTTERY ITEMS IN THE STOCK BOOK OF AN EARLY
19th. CENTURY NEW YORK GENERAL MERCHANT
(Finally!! Proof the American term “Cup Plate” is correct)

by
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A n interesting hand-written stock-book, kept meticu-
uously from April 28th. 1835 to March 20th. 1840 by a
New York merchant, has somehow survived intact. The
owners would no doubt have been astounded to learn that the
line after line of items of stock with their individual prices,
extensions, totals and suppliers’ names, could hold any interest
at all for readers over 180 years in their future. Yet we know
that the chance of detailed contemporary information of the business pro-
ducess of such relatively humble firms is rare enough to excite our collectors, if
ever it does turn up.

This particular firm starts out on April 27th. 1835 as “Messrs. North & Wheeler,
New York” and in May 1836, it becomes “Messrs. Wheeler & Co., New York”. The
Company name remains the same until July 1839, although the address is occasion-
ally varied from the majority of entries where it is still “New York”, to
“Catskill”, “Walton”, “Albany” or “Hudson”. In July 1839, the firm’s title
becomes “Messrs. Wheeler, Gardiner & Co., New York” with an occasional ad-
dress change to “Walton”. There is a
change of handwriting on 16th. October 1839 indicating a change of
bookkeeper at that point and the address is less often given
as “New York”. The other addresses are “Athens”, “Walton”,
“Catskill” and “Oxford”. The last entry is dated March 20th.
1840 under “Wheeler, Gardiner & Co., Walton”.

While the general merchandise purchased by this firm is
fascinating in itself, preserved food, textiles, clothing and
household supplies are not our particular interest - except
where the household supplies are ceramic and peak of
excitement - blue-printed pottery! Such items form a very
small percentage of the goods listed, only eight pages out of
ninety-seven show some mention and we illustrate a portion
of these for clarity.

The reader will note that individual pricings are in British
currency, presumably because, with few exceptions, the goods
were purchased from importers handling only British goods,
and then those prices were converted for totaling, to Ameri-
can currency. Details of the conversion rate, although not
absolutely consistent, seem to indicate that eight British
shillings (8/-) equaled £1 American. As eight shillings in
today’s British currency equals forty pence, this indicates a
conversion rate in 1835/40 of $2.50 to £1. (Perhaps some
fiscal historian among our readers would be kind enough to
confirm or refute my suggestion). At this point, our younger
readers might find a table of the older form of British
currency of some help. In that system, abandoned as recently
as the early 1970s, twelve old pence equaled one shilling and
twenty shillings equaled one pound sterling (therefore two
hundred and forty old pence equaled one pound sterling).

Round sums in shillings were indi-
cated thus 5/- (five shillings) and
fractions of a shilling thus 3/6. The
latter would indicate three shillings
and six pence or three and one half
shillings, (remember twelve pence,
not ten, to a shilling). Where actual
fractions of half or quarter were
shown, they referred to old pence and
fractions of a penny. Finally, in the
book, quantities are priced in units or
fractions of dozens (lots of twelve) or
grosses (lots of one hundred and
forty-four).

The book’s earliest list devoted to
ceramic pots is dated 27th. April
1835 and holds a great deal of
interest for us. It is as follows:

- 2 doz. Black (?) tea pots
- 1 doz. C.C.(?) Chambers
- 3 doz. C.C.(?) Bowls (two prices presumably indicate two sizes)
- 1 doz. enamel ditto and half doz. creams (two prices again)
- Half doz. salts (two prices) and two doz. tumblers (two prices)
- 1 doz soups
- 2 doz. plates (three sizes)
- Half doz. nappies* (two prices and large items as reflected in
the prices)
- Half gross printed teas (priced in pence and no colour
mentioned)
- 2 doz. pink muffins (not a popular colour in Britain at that
time)
- 1 doz. **CUP PLATES** (PROOF AT LAST! THEY DID EXIST)
- Half gross enamelled teas “strangely enough, cheaper than
the printed teas)

Cartage for all the above totalled twenty-five cents. The
supplier was “J.Barrow & Co.”
We can pick out several items of particular interest from the next delivery of pots. This was listed on October 1st, 1835 and the supplier was “Jno. Wright Jr. & Co.” (Incidentally, this name tends to confirm what we might in fact expect, that the importer was American and not British; the suffix “Jr.” being found much more commonly in American business names; and if more confirmation is needed, the list includes “Pitchers”, a term used very rarely in Britain, the preferred description being Jugs).

For the first time, the list clearly stipulates “Blue Printed” wares and the first three items seem to refer to “1 doz. sets” of each. “Twister” is a plate size still recognized and refers to a “between” size smaller than a tea plate but larger than a cup plate. “Hoop Plates” are mentioned. What are they? A word which is difficult to decipher but may be “Covd”, perhaps a shortened form of “Covered”, refers to “Dishes” and “Bakers” which is to be expected, but also to “Sauce Boats”. Were they also sometimes supplied covered? *Could this refer to a sauce tureen?* (ED) A most unusual form listed is “1 Pr. Decanters”. These would surely be a great rarity for collectors.

The next section of particular interest to us is dated “May 28th, 1836. Once again the supplier is “Jno. Wright Jr. & Co.”, but this time their address is added - “36, Water St.”. Here a “Sauce Tureen” makes its appearance for the first time and “Moco Pitchers” are added to the “Moco Bowls”. It is also worth noting that “1 Blue Ewer” (not Pitcher) “& Basin” is listed with other toilet items, “Soap Box” and “Brush Tray”. Finally, Lustre ware is mentioned for the only time in the book; “half doz. Lustre Creams”. This ware was greatly in demand in Britain at this time and so it is very surprising to find it forming such a small percentage of this firm’s imports of pottery.

The next listed section of pottery interest, dated “May 13th, 1837” seems to form the peak of the dealings in this material shown in the book. The total value of $115.24 for pottery plus a little glass, is by far the largest single transaction in those items. The same company has supplied the goods, (this time entered as “John Wright Jr. & Co.”) by the new bookkeeper). Unfortunately, his writing is not as clear as his predecessor’s and this makes it more difficult for us to decipher items of particular interest. Nevertheless, one item which alone totals the relatively enormous sum of $16.20, seems to be for “3 Gross Pink Blue & Brown Teas” followed by another $9 worth of the same. (Of course we can only speculate as to whether these “Teas” were a mixture of single coloured items, or whether each piece was printed in the three colours mentioned.) The listing of “Yellow Peppers” is the
only occasion on which we find a mention of items with that colour-glaze in this book, but this is in line with its comparative scarcity in other markets. So far, our sections of interest have contained items only of ceramics or glass, but two items here are ambiguous. “Stove foot Lamps” (whatever they may be) and “Japan Lanterns” might be manufactured in ceramics or glass, but may equally well be of other materials and have been included mention of a “China” item; (the description itself is indecipherable). At the time in question, “china” was an acceptable alternative word for “porcelain”. Could these half-dozen items have represented a daring experiment by our merchant to raise his sights to include wealthier customers (and if so, did it succeed)? The cost of porcelains over earthenwares, since the earliest productions to the present day, has maintained a remarkably constant ratio of three to one and the high cost shown in the stock figures indicates that this “china”, may well have actually been some form of porcelain. (If it originated in Britain, it would have been bone china, otherwise hard-paste).

The last two sections to concern us show a marked decline in purchases of pots. Probably it was found that profits in those items were less than expected and capital could be more usefully laid out in other directions. (The possible speculation in porcelain bodies may have gone horribly wrong). On “November 28th, 1837” a small purchase totalling $9.76 for three items was made from “John Wright Jr, & Co.” once again and, a long time after, on “July 3rd, 1839, the last order in the book for the material in which we are interested, was placed with a firm which may have been a continuation of the last supplier, “Wright Shillin & Co.”. There is nothing of note in the items ordered on this occasion, except perhaps that green printing is mentioned for the first time - “2 gross Emerald Teas”. The total cost was a respectable $41.62, but still did not approach that of earlier orders and seems to have been a last fling after a long pause. As we know, the last overall entry in this book (by no means necessarily the end of the firm) was to be less than a year later. For all we know, business in pots may well have picked up again in succeeding years and reached unprecedented heights.

To try to make definitive judgements on the entire early 19th century ceramics import business into the USA, on the basis of the stock records of a single relatively small general merchant over a five year period, is of course an impossibility and I do not claim to do anything of that nature. However, this unexpected survival of a contemporary document gives us an opportunity to lift a corner of the veil which hides from us a way of life (and business) which is long gone. In addition, steeped as we all are in our current business attitudes, without the puzzles posed by some of the seemingly incomprehensible preferences and actions of our business forbears, we would probably never be stimulated into trying to get into their skins and understanding a small part of their world.

* “Nappies” were made at many British factories in the early 19th century. Unfortunately, their precise use and appearance seems to have been forgotten. I have consulted Mr. Robert Copeland of the Spode/Copeland factory who is a former practicing potter and who passed on to me his best educated guess. He thinks that they were flat-bottomed bowls (rather like soup plates without a rim) made in various sizes from six ins. diam. upwards. However, he cannot make a sensible guess at their use. Naturally, if any reader can put us right on this, we should be delighted.

* “Cup Plates”, as you know, have long been a source of dispute as to whether they actually existed, or whether the name was fabricated to fill a gap in our knowledge. On the whole, American opinion has been that cup plates have always been around and have always been referred to by that name. British opinion has always expressed doubt and has inclined to attribute it to American “wishful thinking”. I feel that the references in this book establish beyond doubt that cup plates were a perfectly normal label to put on small plates in early 19th century America. To claim that it was in international use is a far more difficult matter. After much discussion, I feel that these plates may have originated in the early American method of taking tea, which followed closely the contemporary Continental European (not the British) of using the saucer to cover the cup while allowing the tea to steep. The wet saucer would then not be usable in polite society as a receptacle on which to put down the cup and so a small plate would have been necessary to take on that duty. This may have been the origin of the cup plate.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: My profound gratitude goes to my good friend, Mrs. Bella Kleinman of New York who originally found the ledger, which inspired this article. She was later kind enough to present it to me, in view of my great interest in the subject.

Two pages of the original ledger are reproduced on the next page.

Ed.
Ed. The confusion concerning the term “cup plates” has been around since A. W. Cogsh disputed the term in his 1970 publication, Blue and White Transfers. Mr Cogsh saw the light in his later book The Dictionary of Blue and White Printed Pottery, co-authored with R. K. Harrwood. Many Americans do share Mr. Cogsh’s questions regarding these plates (see Norman Wolfe’s comments at the end of his Part II coverage of the Clews pottery, in this issue), but the majority of us “fans” have sailed serenely along, unconcerned by these questions and totally at ease with our terminology (and possible ignorance). Both the American Glass world and the American collectors of English ceramics have always assumed the usage, as put forth by Mary Louise Gutman, in the next article was correct. The usage, as discussed by Mr. Palmer, at the end of his article, seems to make a lot more sense to me, however, who really knows?? These little plates will continue to be highly sought after and extremely hard to obtain, no matter what we label them.

“AROUND THE BLOCK” continued from page 23

The lowest shelf’s first lot also produced another surprise, when the deep teal blue Mt. Washington dolphins (a pair) reached $8,250.00 against an estimate of $4,000.00 - $6,000.00. The remainder of the shelf did as expected, with the pair of canary eye and scale lamps bringing $2,300.00, the pair of blue and white small acanthus sticks reaching $3,000.00, the pair of electric blue petal and loop sticks realizing $3,250.00 and the pair of canary dolphins stopping at $1,200.00. A few pleasant surprises for the consignor and basically a continuation of the strong glass market being seen at all the recent auction sales.

Have the prices reached the top? Personally, I do not think they are even close to reaching the true value of these early and fragile pieces of Americana. I have felt for years, that this market has a long way to go to catch up. There may be fluctuations, from time to time, but I predict that the rise in the value of both glass and ceramics will continue at a percentage higher than other Americana. At one time in the 1930’s and 1940’s, American Glass brought prices equal to the price of a very good piece of furniture. Only recently have we seen a piece of glass reach the $75,000.00+ mark and pieces of ceramics begin to nudge the $50,000.00 plateau. Several major art and furniture dealers are exhibiting choice pieces of glass and ceramics at the most prestigious antiques shows and are asking prices comparable to the value of their top line pictures and wood. I truly believe it is a “growth market”. Ed.
FROM CUP TO SAUCER TO CUP PLATE

by
Mary Louise Gutman

Who invented the Cup Plate? We know that the purpose of these little plates was to keep a person’s linen from being soiled, or, lacking a cloth, her table from being marred. We know that the size of these plates are between 3” and 4 1/4”, give or take a fraction. We have learned that in some few circles in England, and much more prevalent in America, it was the custom to pour one’s tea from the cup into the saucer, so it would cool more quickly, and then to drink directly from the saucer. The cup was then placed on the cup plate. Also, to be remembered, in the 18th and early 19th Centuries, many cups were handleless, making them too hot to handle.

According to one source, the first cup plates were of china and manufactured by all the European potters. “Most of them were made to match sets”. I shall not write about the Continent in this article, but in England these plates were made almost entirely of earthenware, and not “of made to match sets”. I have a collection of Lustre Cup Plates, none of which belonged to a set, and I have seen numerous tea sets, as well as dinner sets and dessert services, none with accompanying cup plates. According to their owners, those illustrated here, were not from sets either, nor had they seen any others that were.

There is no doubt that many English potters were making cup plates along with their regular line of table and other wares, in order to capture the lucrative United States trade. Staffordshire manufacturers, in particular, were turning out these “Anglo-American” wares by the shipload, and sending them from the Western seaport City of Liverpool to the Eastern Seaboard cities of the United States. Along with the potters mentioned in the illustrations, I would like to mention several other names, who, we know made a great deal for export. William Adams & Sons, Davenport (with the famous anchor mark), Ralph Stevenson, Joseph Stubbs, William Ridgway, and last but not least, the Wedgwoods.

It was natural that many of the subjects used were of historical content, such as busts of Washington and Clay, as well as American views and places commemorating important events. These potters also made some very colorful designs which were particularly popular with the Pennsylvania Dutch. A group of these are illustrated and described in this article, and most were made during the first half of the 19th Century, the largest output coming after the War of 1812. I would like to mention one cup plate not illustrated here, it is part of the Leon Collection of English Yellow Glazed earthenware at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C. It is a 3” cup plate “a crude version of the Great Seal of the United States”. It has the impressed mark, ENOCH WOOD AND SONS, BURSLEM, dating it between 1818 and 1830.

Cup plate collecting in the United States reached its peak in the 1930s and 1940s. One of the largest and most famous collectors was William Randolph Hearst, the Newspaper Magnate. It was estimated he had over 1,000 cup plates. Mr. Hearst collected “Historical Blue” as well as pressed glass cup plates, which brings us to another very large area of this subject.

Referring back to my original question: “Who invented the cup plate?”, we do not know the “who” of the original earthenware ones made in England, but we do know the origins of the pressed glass ones made in the United States. Here when people refer to cup plates, I believe the first thing that comes to mind are those of pressed glass, made by the Boston and Sandwich Glass Company in the small town of Sandwich, Massachusetts. This plant was started in 1825 by Denning Jarvis who had invented the pressing machine a year earlier. The site was chosen, not because of sand, but because of timber. There was a large amount

Two dark blue Historical Staffordshire cup plates, on the left a 3 1/2”d “Landing of Lafayette” by R. and J. Clews. On the right is an extremely rare “Arms of the United States” by an Unknown Maker. This view appears only on tea services and cup plates.

A spectacular sapphire blue Eagle cup plate attributed to Pittsburgh, circa 1840.
of this in the area, and wood was needed for fuel for the factory, as well as for building houses for the workmen.

The Company prospered from the beginning, as they turned out fine flint glass for all sorts of uses. There were, of course, full sets of glass made for the table, cut, etched and engraved, besides the pressed glass. By 1880 the Company was still doing good business, including export, but gradually it began running at a loss. The plant was closed in 1888 and has never been reopened, its buildings torn down in 1920. On this site now stands the Sandwich Glass Museum. It is generally thought that Pressed Glass was the most important part of the Boston and Sandwich Glass Company. The name “Sandwich” has become generic, in spite of the fact that there were many more factories making pressed glass. In 1829 the New England Glass Company was founded in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and there has always been confusion between the production of the two Companies. According to the late Vincent Ortello, who was President of the Early American Glass Collectors Club when I discussed this with him, it is impossible to tell the difference between the glass made at these two New England factories. Not so with some of the glass cup plates made in the Mid-West plants. Their distinguishing characteristic is the “Bull’s Eye” border found only on pressed glass made outside of New England.

The term “Mid-West” covers a large area, starting in Philadelphia and extending into Ohio. The largest factories were in and around Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. According to “American Glass Cup Plates”, by Ruth Webb Lee and James H. Rose, these plates were divided into two groups “Historicals” and “Conventional”s. The former covered “Busts, Log Cabins, Ships, Monuments and Eagles”. There are some 58 plates displaying the Eagle, and nearly all are variations of the design on the Great Seal of the United States. There are only two busts known of George Washington, however, there are 6 to 10 different versions of Henry Clay, who was a famous politician in the Mid 19th Century, but never became President. There are some of President William Henry Harrison in the so-called “Log Cabin” group. I would like to mention one design which will be of interest to English readers, that of Queen Victoria. Many were made in the United States for export to England, and some were made in England for export to America, as well as for home consumption.

Cup plates, as with most other commodities, have appreciated enormously in value. The pressed glass ones even more than those made of earthenware. When they were first produced in the 19th Century, most of them used to sell for less than $1.00. They then went up to several dollars or a little more in the 1930's and 1940's when cup plate collecting became the rage. At an Antiques Show I recently attended, some had “gone thru the roof”. I bought the pressed glass one of the American Eagle for $28.00, and found afterwards (from Ruth Webb Lee's book) that it is a reproduction, probably made in 1922. The same dealer had an emerald green plate, with a ship design for $1,500.00 and one of cobalt blue for $2,100.00. As to the earthenware cup plates, I can find no reference as to what they sold for when they were first made in the 19th Century, but in the 1930's and 1940's they were selling from $20.00 upwards to $150.00 for some.
historicals. I checked out these plates at the Antiques Show, as well as at a shop in New York, and there was the same wide range of prices, as with the glass ones. I bought a 3 3/4” impressed Davenport with Anchor, of an inconsequential view, for $30.00. Another dealer was selling “Historical Blues and Gaudy Dutch” from $475.00 up. The Clews “Landing of Lafayette,” illustrated here, was priced at $525.00, a Ridgway “Philadelphia Custom House” at $950.00 and an ENOCH WOOD & SONS “Boston State House” at $1,000.00. I suggest you search your cupboards and attics, and, if you can find cup plates, you might suddenly become quite wealthy, as well as delighting in your finds.

Six of the finest glass cup plates with the top left a Pittsburgh eagle in blue with the bull’s eye border, a clear “peacock eye” attributed to Philadelphia and a green floral Eastern plate. The bottom row has an electric blue heart, an extremely rare “Union Glass Works” and a green “Chancellor Livingston” ship plate.

Evidently many reproductions were being made in the 1920s and 1930s, some for the collectors, and others as new pieces for use as ashrays as well as for souvenirs. The only sure thing about these reproductions is that they were not being made for their original purpose.

Above: a rare “strawberry” pattern in enamels and a black transfer “Washington and Lafayette”

Above: a light blue spatter cup plate with a peacock center and a “King’s Rose” in red and green enamel.

Left: a pink lustre plate impressed “Harley and Co.”, next to a desirable pink lustre bordered butterfly (painted over the glaze). Photos by John Harbold, courtesy of Mrs. A. J. Cutman.

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“Hurl Gate”

An Elusive “Old Blue” Rarity, a Hellish Place in American History

by

Ted Gallagher

In the April/May, 1997 issue of the “Q”, David Arman highlighted the magnificent Morse Collection of “Old Blue” china at the American Antiquarian Society (AAS). He also paid fitting homage to surely one of the greatest of Staffordshire view rarities, the “View at Hurl Gate, East River” by Joseph Stubbs from the Eagle and Scroll Border Series. This article will discuss the long absence of this rare china view from the market, its strange name, which is actually Hell Gate, the significance of the geographical place itself, and its torturous role in the long history of New York City.

Joseph Stubbs was the only potter to produce the view of “Hurl Gate” on Staffordshire china. The “Hurl Gate” specimen at the AAS has been there since Mrs. Emma DeForest Morse donated hers in 1913. Only one other example is known to exist, and it was donated by Ellouise Baker Larsen to the Smithsonian Institution in 1962. The illustration of “Hurl Gate” accompanying this article is of the Larsen specimen, which measures 7 1/4 inches in diameter and is in proof condition.

The rarity of “Hurl Gate” cannot be overstated. The last known record of its sale was at the American Art Association in New York on February 19, 1937, at the auction of the Eugene Tompkins Collection, where the china view, 7 1/4 inches in diameter and in proof condition, sold as a single item, Lot 49, for $155. I am virtually certain that the Tompkins and Larsen specimens are one and the same article, based on a comparative point-by-point correlation of the specimen in the Larsen illustration (see next page) and of that in the Tompkins illustration in the auction catalogue. I conjecture that Mrs. Larsen was the winning bidder on the Tompkins “Hurl Gate.” Now the only specimens known are both locked away in museums, and collectors have been searching fruitlessly for another one for the past 60 years. It is considered by many to be the “Blue Holy Grail.”

Now, for some history of the locale. In 1615, a Dutch shipper, Adrian Blok, made the short voyage north along what is now called the East River, from Lower Manhattan to Long Island Sound. On the voyage, he named the water route, which he was the first European to explore, the Hellsgat River, after a branch of the Scheldt River in his native Flanders. The name translates as “beautiful passage.” Blok could not have known the death toll that the waters of this “beautiful pas-
sage” would later exact. Unlike the majestic expanse of the Hudson only two miles to the west, the East River runs narrow, girdled by Manhattan Island on its west bank and by Long Island on its east bank. The East River also has a co-conspirator in the Harlem River, similarly narrow, which runs headlong toward it from points north, both rivers converging at Long Island Sound.

In the late 1650s, an Englishman wrote a description of the meeting place called Hell Gate, “which being a narrow passage there runneth a violent stream both upon flood and ebb, and in the middle lyeth some Islands of rocks which the current sets so violently upon that it threatens present shipwreck; and upon the flood is a large whirlpool which continually sends forth a hideous roaring, enough to affright any stranger from passing that way.” Thus, early on, the name hellsgat — originally applied to the whole of what is now the East River — has been restricted to the place where narrow rivers collide and churn with the currents of the Sound and, wrenched from its poetical meaning, “beautiful passage,” to something smelling of the infernal. It was not solely through Englishmen’s ignorance of the Dutch language, however; for even the Dutch themselves speedily forgot the origin of the name, and gave it a meaning that better reflected its true, ungodly force.

Propriety perhaps swayed Stubbs in his decision to call the place Hurl Gate and not its long-standing name of Hell Gate. Stubbs probably wanted to avoid any profanity that might irk the sensibilities of Americans.

James Fenimore Cooper memorialized the treachery of Hell Gate in his novel The Water Witch: “Being at the best of times a very violent and impetuous current, it takes these impediments in mighty dudgeon; boiling in whirlpools; brawling and fretting in ripples; raging and roaring in rapids and breakers. At low water, for instance, it is pacific a stream as you would wish to see. But as the tide rises it begins to fret; at half-tide it roars with might and main, like a bull bellowing for more drink; but when the tide is full, it relapses into quiet, and for a time sleeps as soundly as an alderman after dinner. In fact, it may be compared to a quarrelsome toper, who is a peacable fellow enough when he has no liquor at all, or when he has a skinful, but who, when half-seas over, plays the very devil.”
Before improvements were made to the natural features of the channel, a thousand vessels a year were wrecked by collision with its projecting rocks, with such names as Shell Drake Rock, Pot Rock, Bald Headed Billy, Negro Head, Hen and Chicken, Great Mill Rock, Frying Pan, Hog's Back, the Gridiron, and Hallet's Point. Many of these projected upward, but were concealed from view at changing tide just below the water surface. Over the centuries, it was not so

Hell Gate closed to mass shipping, trans-oceanic crossings were exposed to one hundred extra miles of dangerous Atlantic coast along the south shore of Long Island.

The first scientific survey of Hell Gate was taken in 1845, followed by immediate appeals to Congress for funding to clear the rocky passage. Congress's response was to order additional surveys. With each subsequent appeal, Congress

much the damage done to the light coaster that frequented the passage, as the exclusion of larger craft from this much needed entrance to the harbor of New York, that made the bars of Hell Gate so hurtful to American commerce. With repeated its wish for more surveys. Meanwhile, a French engineer named Mailléfert came forward and volunteered to conduct experiments, at no cost, to open Hell Gate. He used gunpowder, which explodes underwater in a shock-wave effect
that shatters surrounding rock. The process was remarkably simple and, within certain limits, was quite successful. By 1851, despairing of any Federal action, private shipping interests in New York City hired engineers to begin work on making the Gate safer.

Finally, over the next quarter century, with interruptions from the Civil War, the U. S. War Department, commissioned by Congress, systematically blasted nearly every reef, ridge, and rock cropping. This succeeded in taming the worst of Hell Gate, though still, even today, sailors remain wary of its brute force and await favorable tides before entering this most hellish of places.

Notes

(1) The Morse specimen measures 7 1/2 in diameter. It has visible glaze wear in the well of the plate and an extensive, old repair to the rim at 8:00.

(2) Although the actual size of the Larsen specimen is 7 1/4 in diameter, the photo print appearing in this article shows the plate somewhat larger.

(3) This date corrects an error that I made in a letter to the editor of The Maine Antique Digest (MAD), October, 1996 issue, in which I stated that the Tompkins sale took place in 1956. "Hurl Gate" was the subject of that letter.

(4) Ibid. The term "Holy Grail" was added by MAD editor Sam Pennington as a lead to my letter.


(6) Ibid, page 34.


Ed. Ted is absolutely correct in that this is one of the rarest views in the field. Perhaps of interest to our readers is that this rather "common" series also contains three other great rarities. They are illustrated to the right: The first is a 10 1/2 in plate "highlands, north river", the second an 8 1/2 in plate "new york bay" and the last the very elusive 4 5/8 in cup plate "MENDENHALL FERRY". We have seen only each of these during our 27 years of specialization.

The 10" highlands was de-accessioned in a large group lot at a New York auction. It was later sold by Arman Absentee Auctions in January, 1993, realizing $1,650.00 (includes premium). The 8 1/2" new york bay (which I personally think is one of the finest views in the field) came from the Collection of Paul C. Smith and was sold by Arman Absentee Auctions in February, 1989, bringing $2,530.00. The little MENDENHALL came out of the Nancy Nebenzahl Collection and was sold by Collectors Sales and Services in August, 1994 for $1960.00 (with a hairline). What would a HURL GATE bring at auction? An interesting question. Perhaps one will come to auction and we'll find out.

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Very little first hand information has survived the years concerning the Clews Brothers. All we have to go by are the beautiful patterns and views they left behind. Their entire potting career in England lasted just under two decades but during that period they produced some of the highest quality dinnerware in Staffordshire history. I have omitted much of their best work from this article, such as Doctor Syntax, Wilkie’s Designs, States, Winter View of Pitsfield, Mass. and Landing of Lafayette, because they have been so well covered in previous publications. Any new information I should come across concerning these, will be passed along in due course.

I have also excluded the Neptune pattern from this series of articles. The body styles don’t match any known Clews patterns and a marked piece has never been recorded. I feel this is another case of guilt by association, like the Cities series and Don Quixote, namely if it looks like Clews, it must be Clews, but this is not necessarily so.

Photo #1
I feel fortunate to have this cup plate. It was purchased in England this year from a dealer who bought it here in America. This little plate has crossed the Atlantic three times and I intend to keep it here for quite a while. The cup plate is 4 3/8" D, impressed circular Clews mark, u/g blue ‘SELECT SCENERY’ in a wreath of leaves, ‘IVY BRIDGE, DEVON’ on a ribbon below. No reference has been made to Devon before and I always assumed that the name Ivy Bridge was made up. There doesn’t seem to be any Ivy on the Bridge or anywhere else in this view.

Photo #2
This pattern is a new one on me and was probably produced for the domestic market in England. Until a better name comes up I call it ‘FLORAL BORDER GEOMETRIC CENTER’. The child’s plate is medium blue, pearlware, no footrim, impressed Crown with ‘G’ and ‘R’ on either sides, ‘CLEWS WARRANTED STAFFORDSHIRE’ curved below. This is one of their earlier marks c 1815-25.

Photo #3
At first glance this looks like Spode but it is once again

Clews. Just like the Indian Sporting Series, Clews borrowed this pattern and produced it in a slightly darker blue. The circular soup tureen and undertray bear the view known simply as ‘CASTLE’. It is actually THE GATE OF SEBASTIAN and was the entrance to the ancient city of Capena on the famous Appian Way in Italy. It has the standard impressed Clews circular mark and u/g blue ‘CLEWS’ on a Chinese style square box with ‘Stone China’ below, c 1815-25. This photo was sent to me by Judie Siddall.

Photo #4
I am sure this pattern has another name but I have always called it ‘DOGS WITH SPOTS. As far as I know it was only produced on tea/coffee wares for export. The scrolled fern-like leaves and flowers make a beautiful border with a string
circular mark, c 1820-30.

Photo #5
Here we have a sugar bowl in the same ‘Dogs with Sports’ pattern which is quite large even for this era. It measures 6 1/2" L and 5 3/8" H, without the lid. The handles are of a jungle mask in relief which serve no practical purpose. Without handles I can see how the lid got broken. The base is indented vertically every 1/4" and is unmarked as are many hollow bodied pieces, c 1820-30.

Photo #6
The shape of this coffee pot matches exactly one I have seen in the ‘Landing of Lafayette’ pattern. It has the same indentations as the above listed sugar bowl. I attribute this piece to Clews on the basis of these observations. My name for it is ‘CASTLE MAN POINTING’. The coffee pot (no lid) measures 10" from spout to handle and is 6 7/8" H, ca. 1820-30. On the reverse side is a dense forest with no central view. The border design here is quite similar to that used by Clews with the Flower and Foliage border series which is known primarily on pitchers. Views in that series include New York, City Hall, etc. The flowers are different and the stringing around the edge does not quite match.

Photo #7
My creamer is the same shape as the one illustrated in Arman #1 p 10 bottom right showing the LANDING OF LAFAYETTE. This is once again ‘CASTLE MAN POINTING’ and is 5 1/2" H. at the handle. The border of branches and leaves at the top of the creamer is the same as at the bottom of the coffee pot, c 1820-30.

Photo #8/9
This photo shows three less than common shapes. These all match up with known pieces in the LANDING OF LAFAYETTE series. a). The footed master salt has the ‘CASTLE MAN POINTING’ pattern once again. It is 3 1/4" D and 2" H. b). The covered mustard pot has the same FOREST border but now has a different central scene. This time we have a MAN ON A BLUFF FISHING. It is 3 1/4" D, 3 1/4" H, and has a spur handle exactly the same, as two Clews custard cups, I have in my collection. Inside the rim is a border of grapes and leaves which matches the border design illustrated on a small dish in Staffordshire II, Williams and Weber, page 364. This pattern is named HADDINGTON and is impressed Clews. The lid has a slot for the spoon and fits this piece nicely, but alas, it is in the CORONATION pattern (also by Clews). c). The pepper pot has the same border and stringing but has two different central views. Both show a ‘MAN ON A BLUFF FISHING’ and are quite similar. What appears to be a black Labrador Retriever is jumping into the water in both views. It is 2 1/4" D and 4 1/8" H. c 1820-30.

The last five pieces described, are all from the same series. Rather than call it Foliage Border, I think that the FOREST BORDER SERIES would be less confusing. It seems odd that all I have come across so far are relatively uncommon shapes. Do plates and platters exist or was this pattern just used on a tea/coffee service? I seem to have as many questions as answers on this one, how about some help out there?

Photo #10
This saucer is in the ‘CORONATION’ pattern, the same as my mustard pot lid listed above. It is 5 3/4" D and has the standard impressed Clews circular mark, c 1820-30.
Photo #11
The 'American Eagle on Urn' falls into the category of historical chinoiserie. Funny how we are willing to pay twice as much for this compared to other patterns simply because it has an Eagle on it. The tea bowl is 4" D and 2 1/2" H. The saucer is 5 3/4" D. and has the standard Clews impressed mark, c 1820-30. It is darkest blue and quite beautiful.

Photos # 12 & 13
This pattern is, to my knowledge, previously unrecorded. The shape is identical to the one illustrated in Arman #1, p 10, bottom, with the Landing of Lafayette pattern on it. The sugar bowl has the standard impressed Clews circular mark plus u/g blue 'CROWN APPLE' on a unique shaped cartouche, c 1820-30 again. These photos were sent to me by Judie Siddall.

Photo #14
Another previously unrecorded design known only on tea/coffee wares is illustrated here. I call it 'Cathedral And Fisherman'. The dark pom pom border frames perfectly the lighter central view of a huge Cathedral with river and a man fishing in the foreground. The tea bowl is 4" D, 2 1/2" H and the saucer is 6" D, standard impressed Clews circular mark, c 1820-30

Photo #15
'Shells and Flowers' seems like an appropriate name for this pattern. The geometric design of the six pointed star makes this set an eye-catcher. The tea bowl is 3 3/4" D, 2 1/4" H and the saucer is 5 7/8" D, standard impressed Clews circular mark, c 1820-30.

Photos #16 & 17
This design is marked 'MOSAIC TRACERY' and the name fits. The geometric background helps to set off the scroll and floral center. The cup plate is 3 7/8" D and has the standard impressed Clews circular mark. For contrast how about a 17" platter in the same pattern. It has no foot rim but does have the u/g blue name in a diamond shaped cartouche with flowers here and there, c 1820-30.

Photos #18/19/20
This series is one of my favorites and is known as the Hunting Views series. This view shows a man and his hunting dog. If you look behind the shrub to the right you will see a rabbit hiding, I have named this one 'Rabbit Hunting'. The other man may be his loader and he waits with two more dogs, a woman and child approach in the distance. I am told that this was used for the many meat dishes they ate in those days and isn't an open vegetable as I would have thought. It is 12 1/8" x 9 1/4", 2 3/4" H., combed back and the standard Clews impressed mark, c 1825-34. The exterior is decorated on the two long sides with the bottom half of St. Catherine's Hill near Guildford and an unidentified view. These two views were also used in the Foliage and Scroll Border series and the Select Scenery series. Rabbit Hunting is also known on a 15 1/2" platter, see CS&S catalogue for April, '97, #46.
Photo #21
Another from the Hunting Views series is illustrated here and shows 'Duck Hunting' this time. The platter is 13 1/2" x 11", has no foot rim and is unmarked. The indented beaded rim matches exactly the molds used in the Picturesque Views series and other colored dinnerware that came along late in the Clews Brothers potting career, c 1825-34.

Photo #22

I had originally called this 'Return from the Hunt'. It was pointed out to me that the man has no 'bag' of game. Perhaps then he is 'Setting out for the Hunt' instead. The man carries a gun over his shoulder with two dogs at his side, he approaches a gate. The cup plate is 4 1/2" D, double undercut foot rim and the standard Clews impressed mark, c 1825-34. This body style is different than the above platter and will be covered in part 3 of this article.

Photo #23
Two geese lay to the left of the hunter in this view so GOOSE HUNTING seems appropriate. The man reloads his rifle while two hounds look on. Another man stands to the right in the distance. The plate is 8 3/4" D and has the standard Clews impressed mark. What is uncommon here is the body style. It has the double undercut foot trim as used by most potters in the 1820s, but has the deeply indented rim characteristic of the 1830s. It is odd that they used two different body styles for this series unless it came at a transitional period in the Clews brothers short potting career.

Cup Plate or Not?

Has anyone ever noticed that most tea/coffee patterns have no cup plates? If they do it is usually because the pattern was also used for dinnerware. Here are some examples where cup plates and cups are present: Landing of Lafayette, Cities, Irregular Shell, Lafayette at Franklin's Tomb, American Scenery, Catskill Moss, Vine Border, Lace Border, Boston State House, Arms of the States (Mellor & Venables), American Views (Godwin), American Cities & Scenery, Residence of the Late Richard Jordan, Boston Mails, America (Ford) and Lake. In all of these examples both tea/coffee service were made. The only examples I have found where cup plates seem to belong to a tea/coffee service are Boston Harbor - Spread Eagle by Rogers and the Arms of the States by an unknown maker.

Has anyone ever noticed that most dinnerware patterns have cup plates? The States series has cup plates but no tea wares. The same goes for Peace and Plenty, A Winter View of Pittfield, Mass, Doctor Syntax, Wilkes Designs, etc. Some of these dinner services had as many as 180 pieces. It seems logical to me that if these had been intended as cup plates, they would have had the sense to match them up with tea wares.

A perfect example is the Grapevine Border Series by Wood. We now have nearly 70 named views and many more yet to figure out. New shapes are discovered on a regular basis. There are several cup plates in this series but you know it is funny, there are no tea pots, no sugar bowls, no slop bowls or cups and saucers. Do you know why? Because these little plates were never intended as cup plates. We resourceful Americans adapted them to our own needs. Call them what you please. Although I can't tell you what they were originally used for, these were never intended to have a tea cup placed on them while people slurped their tea from the saucer. Perhaps they were used as drinking glass coasters or for individual servings of condiments such as mustard. I, of course, still call them cup plates, just like you do.

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Around the Block
Reports from the Auction Rooms


In early August, Ron Bourgeault and the merry band that make-up the highly successful auction company known as Northeast Auctions, held another wild sale of Americana. In amongst all the furniture and paintings was a significant offering of colored glass, that was reportedly the private collection of a New York State dealer. As you can see by the illustration, there were many wonderful forms of early pressed glass in equally wonderful colors. The star of the sale, was the cobalt blue lacy candlestick shown on the center shelf. Estimated at $5,000.00 to $8,000.00, the provenance was the collection of world famous Maine retailers, L. L. Bean. I vaguely remember that collection being sold many years ago, but I really don't know either the exact date or the auction house. Anyway, it was cataloged as “Rare cobalt-blue lacy Sandwich Glass Candlestick With Socket Number One (Barlow-Kaiser terminology) and Crossbar Base. Height 6 3/4"h.” I was unable to attend the sale in person, but two knowledgeable collector-dealers assured me that the base (which looks ground to me) was 100% correct and perfect. They were obviously proven correct as the bidding quickly soared to a strong $23,000.00 (plus a buyer premium of 15%), which has that little beauty bringing a very nice $26,450.00 or three times the high estimate. Nice job Northeast!

As most of you are aware, glass prices have continued to be strong during the last several months, with the possible exception of Blown Three Mold. The two pieces of Blown Three Mold illustrated above, proved that where rarity is concerned, people are still willing to bid strong. The sapphire blue quarto GV-9 decanter with the original ribbed stopper brought a hammer price of $7,500.00 (against an estimate of $2,500.00 to $3,500.00) and the double molded clear quarto GHI-15 (from the Gotjen Collection sold by Arman Absentee Auctions in January, 1985 bringing $1,500.00) brought $2,800.00 plus premium.

Starting with the top shelf, we will describe the pieces and their hammer prices. Damage is not listed in Northeast catalogues and as I said, I was unable to attend the sale, but the two gentlemen that did, reported that there was a great deal of minor roughness and flaking, especially to the bases of the pieces. At the top left we have a lovely pair of Twisted Loop vases in medium amethyst, which sold for $3,400.00. While the opal medium blue boat salt brought $1,200.00. The single, tall blue and white Acanthus stick realized $700.00, the other boat salt brought 550.00 and the pair of blue Three Printie vases cost $1,200.00 plus the 15% premium. (all prices are without the 15% buyers premium).

The second shelf produced a surprise, when the pair of plum amethyst Petal and Hex sticks brought $5,000.00 (est. $1,500 - $2,500). The green Ellipse and Oval pair of vases stopped at $2,500.00, the pair of blue and white dolphins at $4,000.00 (est. $3,000 - $5,000), the pair of pale jade-green hexagonal sticks took $2,000.00 and the pair of deep emerald green Hex and Loop candlesticks struggled to $3,750.00 (est. $3,000 - $5,000).

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MAGICAL GLASS WHIMSIES

by

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The art of glass making was mastered by the Egyptians over 3500 years ago. Glass beads and small amulets were discovered thousands of years before Christ. Glass making spread throughout the Roman Empire, survived the Dark Ages, kept alive in small isolated glasshouses, and was reborn again in Venice. From Venice it was carried to France and later into England. A different tradition was preserved in the small glasshouses scattered throughout the German forests. The two very different traditions of Germany and Britain were the main sources influencing American glass, which retained some of the characteristics of each while incorporating others.

The term whimsy is used for the odd or unusual pieces of glassware created by individual workers to show their skill and inventiveness. Whimsies were produced in Spain and elsewhere in Europe from the sixteenth century on. Miniature top hats, buckets, large tobacco pipes, birds, lizards and farm animals were blown in both clear and colored glass. Some were used to decorate the interiors of workmen’s cottages and others were sold as souvenirs.

Small bottles with short necks appeared in seventeenth century England in response to requests from devout householders for containers of holy water. Word spread that the families owning these bottles were protected from evil spirits, especially witches, and the demand increased. Over the decades the bottles became hollow spheres of glass known as witch balls. The inner surfaces were smeared and daubed with a variety of colors. The Victorians believed these glass balls would keep away evil spirits, sickness and bad luck. Folklore claims that by wiping the dust and soot from the ball the spirits were exorcized. The tradition was carried to America where the balls were made from the nineteenth century on.

One of the most famous glassmaking areas was in Nailsea, Somerset, England. Between 1788 and 1875, this town, approximately seven miles from Bristol, was a glassmaking center.

Glass workers occasionally spent time during lunch, or after completing their regular work schedule, creating unusual glass objects. These included candy striped canes, darners, hats, pipes, paperweights, witch balls and other unusual items.

Glass canes range from very short, under one foot, to lengths of ten feet. They are made in hollow and solid form. Hollow canes can have a bulb type handle or the rarer “C” or “L” shaped handle. Canes are found in many fascinating colors, with the candy striped being a favorite among collectors. Many canes are filled with colored powders, gold and white being the most common and silver more difficult to find. Sometimes they were used as candy containers.

The canes were hung in a conspicuous place in the home. They were carefully cleaned every morning to create a spell against disease. This superstition was so deeply rooted that the owner could not be persuaded to sell one. If the cane was accidentally broken, it was believed that some dire misfortune would fall on a member of the household.

A principle of glassblowing is that if one starts with a gather of variegated color at the end of the blowpipe, when the taffylike mass is stretched out the original pattern is prolonged. From this concept, made use of by the early Venetians who expanded and extended millefiori designs, have come the highly decorative walking sticks of striped and spiraled glass made in New Jersey. Like witch balls and rolling pins, these canes originated in England’s Stourbridge region where many elaborate ones were produced to be sold as souvenirs.

Rolling pins were also credited with magic. In England they were blown especially to be salt containers which evolved out of necessity.

From the beginning of time, salt has been the very “stuff of life,” a need satisfied instinctively by animals as well as man. When civilizations developed, men hoarded salt as a precious commodity, and by the Middle Ages householders in Europe and Britain often had their salt supply consecrated by the church to protect it against evil.

The earliest rolling pins were open at one end to admit a ground glass stopper which kept out dampness. Made of “black” glass that was dark olive-green in the light, they tapered toward the knobbed ends which made useful handles for hanging them at the hearth. They were cleaned daily to bring good luck and good health.

One glass blower conceived the idea of blowing rolling pins to hold exactly a pound of tea at a time when it cost a guinea a pound. These became an immediate success as wedding gifts. Some were filled with candies as gifts for sweethearts.
who used them for luck in making wedding pastries. Some were painted with enamels and inscribed with good luck mottoes such as “To wish ye well.” Many were decorated with appropriate nautical mottoes for bon voyage gifts. If the rolling pin was broken during the voyage this was regarded as a warning of misfortune ahead.

Most of the colorful glass pipes originated in England’s Nailsea Glass Works. Pipes with large bulbous stems and bowls are usually referred to as “English Style” and were imported from England between 1850 and 1900 for wall decorations.

The glass pipes attributed to glasshouses in America are more delicate with long twisted stems. This fragile style with four foot stem was known as a “church warden’s pipe” in Spain.

The Lily appears to be an American glass house whimsy. There are many styles available. One is a vase type and can retain water. Others are a cornucopia style, usually made with thin, colorful glass and a thin, swirling tail. Most lilies are several shades of one color. The tails are usually twisted, curled and pinched off at the end.

During the twentieth century oblong glass “cards” about 4 x 6, etched with holiday greetings, were made to hang in parlor windows. Merchants may have copied this idea for business window cards of etched glass and there may still be some in existence.

Glass hats were made in amber, blue, green, amethyst and red. Some have low round crowns and wide brims curled up at the sides.

Linked chains of glass existed during the Victorian years. Glass blowers who were forming a chain for a sweetheart, usually added a glass heart at the center of the links. These chains were hung in archways, doorways, across windows, over mantels and used as tiebacks for curtains.

Chains were made in varying lengths depending on the intended use. A curtain tieback could be one to two feet long while a chain exists which is one hundred sixty feet long.

visitors to the United States Centennial exposition held in Philadelphia in 1876 could attend a glassblowing exhibit and take home glass souvenirs. These included birds of paradise, Turkish smoking pipes, Cinderella slippers, goblets, vases, cigar holders, Liberty Bell mugs, baskets, crosses, candelabra and hundreds of other useful and ornamental glass work.

Because of their uniqueness and infinite variety, whimsies can rarely be attributed to a specific glass house or glass worker. Whimsies occurred wherever glass was made and were created as individual workers expressed their own artistic talents.

The special talents of glass makers in Europe and the United States have all combined to bring us the fascinating world of glasshouse whimsies.

Some recent prices, which may interest you. An aqua witch ball with wide bluish white loopings, sheared mouth, smooth base, probably American c. 1850-80, 4 3/4” d. (1/8” mouth fissure) may sell for $340. A clear ball with pink and white loopings, sheared mouth, probably American c. 1850-80 5” d. books for around $715. A cane, 31 1/2” cased cranberry glass, swirled, ribbed ext., mid 19th century sells for around $150. A pipe, 26” long, Nailsea type, opaque white, pink loopings, three separate PC’s, bowl, stem, and connector, c. 1870 books for around $145. A powder horn, 14” high, cannon shaped, twisted neck, clear non-lead glass, blue and red loop pattern, pontil scar, American, mid 19th century may sell for $150 or more.

If you would like to join the Whimsy Club you can contact Lon Knickerbocker, 20 William St., Dansville, NY 14437.

For further information on glass whimsies please refer to Concsice Encyclopedia of American Antiques by Helen Comstock or Glasshouse Whimsies by Joyce E. Blake.
During the last days of a hot and hazy August, I spent three days in an attic in Massachusetts, with my good friend Rex Stark and his gracious wife, Patti. Two months earlier, I had been privileged to act as Rex's best man at a wedding ceremony in this same house. The reason we were in the attic, was that we were unpacking over forty huge boxes containing Rex's collection of Political Americana. These had been in storage for seven years and had recently been moved into this residence, where Rex had converted the entire third floor into a show-room for his 2000+ piece collection. It was like Christmas, with heat and humidity.

The only way to describe this "Washington Tomb" tankard is BIG! Over 5" h and 5" d. This is only the fourth American view tankard I have recorded.

A magnificent dark blue shallow bowl, MacDonough's Victory 14" in diameter with a flanged lip. Finest colors, contrast and condition. Related to a beaded bowl, I have never seen this form before.

On the other hand, "small" is the word for this toy soup tureen underriter from the "Landing of Lafayette" series by Clews. We know of one other of these little gems and there was a toy soup tureen in the Foliage and Scroll border series, floating around the New England shows a few years ago.

I took over six-hundred photos and acquired one fine rarity for my own collection (this entailed fast-talking and hard trading to get him to part with the tiny "Landing of Lafayette" undertray).

As we got further and further into the Collection, it became apparent that it was composed of many collections within the collection. The Battersea-type enamels depicting early Americans, is surprising in its content and depth. So much so, that I decided to add a chapter in the book, strictly dealing with this, one of the earliest uses of the transfer technique. The anti-slavery group was also enormous, with every "Texian Campaign" custard cup in light blue. Very rare form heretofore unrecorded for this desirable series.
form imaginable decorated with the familiar figure of a kneeling slave. This, of course, neatly led into the ceramics dealing with the American Civil War. As a matter of fact, another book could be written using these two groups to illustrate the vast amounts of ceramic wares the English potters continued to send to America, long after the dark blue transferwares and Liverpool had become passe. After a very brief thought about doing such a book, I decided to leave that project to someone else.

Even though I am now approaching my thirty year anniversary of specialist dealings with historical ceramics, I was amazed at the amount of pieces I never knew existed, that Rex had in his collection. Over fifty unrecorded views on Liverpool and “1812”, plus unusual forms and unknown views in the field of Historical Staffordshire made for the American market. It was then that I knew I had to share some of these with you, our readers, so I have taken a few of the unpublished rarities and combined two features of The Quarterly into this one article, which will introduce you to some very rare items, and at the same time, make a brief visit to the Stark Collection.

As you can see, the first group we have illustrated are rarities of form or in the case of the two Jackson plates, decoration. Perhaps the most

"VIVA MEXICO" is the slogan the potter placed beneath the Eagle symbol of the Mexican Republic. The transfer is in a light brown, the leaves and outer circle in green, with the inner circle in orange-red. Unmarked.

Measuring over a foot in width, this Barber’s Bowl with a light blue transfer of the "Texian Campagne" is both imposing and extremely rare. It is the only barber’s bowl with a Historical transfer that I am aware has been recorded. Does anyone know of another?

Another unrecorded form for the Texian Campagne series, a tall tankard with the transfer in mulberry. This view is normally found on a large platter.

This is the underglaze mark of the plate on the right. The three entwined crescents state that this was "MADE BY / JOHNSTON / LONGPORT"

With the transfers in a bluish-purple, the wide geometric border encircles a portrait bust titled "MAXIMILIANO PRIMO / EMPERADOR DE MEXICO". Maximilian ruled Mexico, with French support, from 1864 to 1867, when he was deposed and executed by Juarez.
An interesting piece is the unbelievable “Texian Campagne” barber’s bowl. Although I knew these existed in the so-called “romantic” patterns of the 1840-1870 era, I never thought that one with a historical view existed until the day I received a phone call from England and a customer asked what I thought this one was worth. I stammered out some extremely high figure and he said thank you and goodbye. The next thing I knew, Rex had purchased the bowl, while visiting an antiques show in Florida! He obtained it from the same person who called me, for a great deal less than I had quoted. It is both spectacular and perfect. Rex likes that story about as much as I like the bowl. On to other items.

In our last issue. The first is impressed “CLEWS”, which is the only time I recall this potter being associated with this type of ware. The second is a bird resembling a “phoenix”, but probably meant to be another type of eagle. I have never seen this before. The plate illustrated above, is spectacular in that the art work is superb and the potter used pale blue, dark blue, brown and ochre to create one of the most pleasing examples of this

On this page are four of the enamel decorated “eagle” plates we discussed
genre I have seen. The tiny platter illustrated at the bottom of that page was purchased by Rex over ten years ago. It is quite small and is the only example from what must have been a child's service, that we have ever seen.

For those of you who like spatter, the blue spatter pitcher with a matching blue transfer of an Indian Buffalo Hunt, has to be considered extremely rare. Unfortunately it is unmarked, so we can only guess at the maker. Below, if we were printing in color, you would be surprised to see a "Harrison" plate in red. Rex also has another of these rarities in green. I think I knew they occurred in green, but I can't find any record of an example in red. They will both be illustrated in color in our forthcoming book on Liverpool and War of 1812 ceramics. It's companion to the right should be familiar to you as an example of the extremely rare "Henry Clay / Star of the West" portrait bust, which we illustrated and discussed in our second issue. Until now, the only other plate recorded or illustrated, was in Barber's 1899 volume, Anglo-American Pottery, where he illustrated an example, which I believe was from the collection of the Victoria and Albert Museum. Any form with this bust of Mr. Clay is considered an extreme rarity.

Above you see illustrated a very rare brush box or razor box by Ridgway from the Columbian Star series made for Harrison's 1840 Presidential campaign. We knew there were bowl and pitcher sets, so it followed that other toilet articles were sure to exist. This is the first of these boxes we have recorded.

For our two final pieces, we have chosen to illustrate two rather unusual pieces of glass. The first is a simple clear lamp with a freeblown font, which retains its original metal collar and single fluid burner. What makes this so special is the rather crude
Counting from the previous article, the next piece of unpublished glass is the clear Pittsburgh open sugar bowl on the right. Cut in a typical Strawberry Diamond and Fan design, this has a notched rim and a thick applied starcut base. The slight flare to the rim, makes it obvious that this was never meant to have a cover. The form is both unusual for this period and is unrecorded in any of our references. As with most Pittsburgh cut pieces of the early years of the Nineteenth century, this is quite a sophisticated piece of glass.

On the left is another Pittsburgh product, this time a lovely golden amber pressed glass sugar bowl and cover in the Bigler pattern. This is rare colored flint glass of the 1850's. It is similar to a geometric piece illustrated in Inness, Pittsburgh Glass, but this is pattern glass and therefore somewhat special.

Below, we find another piece of colored pattern glass, this time in a lovely opaque powder blue. The handle is applied. Surprisingly, it is also flint glass of the mid-nineteenth century. Origin is not hard and fast, as the pattern was made in both the west and east, but we lean toward a Pittsburgh attribution.

On the next page, we illustrate two Dolphin compotes, which we attribute once again to the Pittsburgh area. The first is a striking electric blue...
and is practically identical to another illustrated in Inness, Pittsburgh Glass, plate 396. However, close inspection will reveal that the Inness examples are pattern glass (Jacob's Ladder), while that shown above is pierced loopings. These are non-flint of the 1880's. Below is the second dolphin compote which is identical in every respect to that example illustrated in Inness (plate 395), except one - the dolphin standard is NOT frosted. This Bakewell product is also of the 1870-1880's period and is non-flint.

Our next piece is illustrated above right and is still another Pittsburgh piece. This time it is a rather rare example of freeblown overlay glass, cut in a simple pattern of printies. This has a typical bold flaring mouth and lip and a lovely applied solid handle. The handle and the applied base are both clear glass, and the base has been star-cut. Pittsburgh overlay is not well documented and the Inness book is amazingly short on illustrated examples.

Our final two illustrations show two New England pitkins that are more than just a bit unusual. Both came from the John Tiffany Gotjen Collection and both are quite special. The first is your typical olive-green bottle, but the thirty-two ribs are swirled both to the left and to the right, forming a lovely diamond design. I believe there is only one other recorded. Below is a pair of olive-amber pitkins that the gaffer joined together at the base, while the glass was still hot. One is patterned in a thirty-six rib, swirled to the left design and the other in a thirty-eight vertical rib design. It is 12 5/8" across and one could only guess at the intended use. This is really a strange one.

Send in those photos folks, let the world known what you've found. Nothing is too big or too small, too early or too late. It just has to be unpublished.
Meet the Collectors
Joseph Arman’s Collection of New England Freeblown Glass

It was not a big problem, but rather one of balance, as this issue of The Q had more ceramics articles than glass, so your friendly editor needed a two page story in a hurry. Right there, under my nose, I realized that our son had been quietly accumulating a rather impressive collection of early New England freeblown.

Olive-green and olive-amber are the glassmakers colors native to New England. This basically utilitarian ware traces its origins to sixteenth and seventeenth century Europe and the familiar (American) shapes and colors are often found in the paintings of that period in Holland, England and Spain. The earliest glass makers in America were making this same ware in English Virginia (1584), in Spanish Florida (1565) and in French Quebec (1608). Pieces are still found along the Florida coast after hurricanes and in Boston, while digging for any type of new construction.

The first group of “containers” or bottles are illustrated above and consist of those examples in the collection that still retain recognizable portions of their original paper labels. The two round cylindrical bottles on either end contained a quantity of black ink, that was later placed into individual inkwells. The small domed bottle in the center is meant to serve as both a container for the ink and as an individual inkwell. The two square bottles flanking this, are “blackening” bottles, which contained a liquid used to darken shoes, belts, harnesses and “chair bottoms.” This product and these containers are found extensively advertised in the newspapers of the period.

With this design being found mostly on flasks, rarely on inks and very rarely on jars or cruets. The remaining inks were mostly manufactured by blowing the glass into a full-sized mold, which gave the bottle its size and decoration. Often these bottles contained an embossed advertising message on the sides, that also resulted from being blown into the mold. All of the bottles in the first two illustrations were probably capped with a cork stopper.

Below, we have a nice display of various types of bottles. The largest piece, in the left rear, a Pitkin flask, used for liquor. This is pattern molded in a vertical rib design, which not only enhanced the beauty of the bottle, but also served the practical purpose of giving the holder a better grip, than a smooth surface. The bottle on the far left is an oval bottle, probably used to hold snuff, while the one in the middle-forefront probably held some type of food product, such as mustard. These come in various sizes and are believed to have been used as “canning” jars. Of the four remaining pieces in this illustration, the square piece is recognized as a typical blacking bottle, the two cylindrical bottles are inks and the ovoid flask is termed a chestnut (from its shape) and is an unpatterned liquor container.

On the next page, we leave the realm of strictly utilitarianism and find a few oddball pieces that were not the common “production” items normally manufactured by these glass factories. The pair of pitchers are classic New England bottle glass products. The glass blowers made bottles all day and occasionally put their talents to work producing a piece of tableware. The amber pitcher on the left has a pleasing form with a nicely formed mouth enhanced by the tooled decoration around the lip. The handle is applied and is solid.
Nothing fancy or elegant, but useful and practical. You may recognize the second pitcher, as it is that same piece illustrated by George and Helen McKearin, *American Glass*, plate 74-13. Identified as Stoddard, New Hampshire it is a deep red amber. Here we have a rolled lip and a pinched neck. The solid handle lacks any great amount of grace, but is quite functional and has been doing its job for over 150 years. Both of these pieces are considered to be rather rare and are both quite desirable.

On the right we find one of the rarest items in the collection, which is a pair of dense red amber freeblown vases, having nicely flared mouths, long slender necks and pleasing bulbous bodies. These are attached to solid “wine glass” stems and are mounted on delicate round bases. This form of stem is termed “wine glass”, because it is this bladed or knop form, which is usually found on that particular form of drinking vessel. These vases are quite exceptional, because they show that the gaffer might have been relegated by circumstances to producing uninspiring bottles and flasks all day, in order to earn a wage, but had an innate sense of form, proportion and beauty. While these pieces lack the grace and towering majesty often found in Pittsburgh pieces, they certainly are far more elegant than those two examples in the illustration below. The red amber vases are the exception, rather than the norm, when one encounters New England blown glass.

On the right is another interesting array of utilitarian pieces. Once again, these are not production items, but all are classified as “individual” pieces. The diminutive aqua cylindrical jar comes with a matching witch ball cover. Often, these round balls served as excellent seals to preserve the food contents of the jar from the ravages of insects and spoilage. The gaffer did a nice job on this example of pinching the neck and flaring the flanged mouth. This was the typical “cannister” of its day and in various sizes, served the home owner as a storage container for dry foods such as flour, beans and sugar. To the right of this, we find two examples of freeblown vases, the first in dense brown amber and the other in a golden amber. It is obvious to even the most casual observer, that these lack the grace and style of that pair below. These were made using one gather of glass, which was then blown and manipulated to form the bowl, knop stem and base, all in one piece. Lacking any refinements, such as tooled rims or pattern molding, these are typical austere New England pieces. BUT, after all these years they still work! All you need do is add water and flowers and you create instant beauty.

The little cockeyed piece in the front foreground is one of Joe’s favorite pieces, as it personifies all that he loves about New England glass. The gaffer took a little blob of amber glass and blew, then manipulated it until he had it formed into the shape of a footed master salt, complete with a rolled rim, knop-type stem and a heavy solid base. Then, to Joe’s delight, as it was cooling, it’s mouth and bowl sagged. Being a thrifty New Englander, the gaffer saved it and probably took it home.

The two final pieces in this collection are drinking vessels. The one in the center-right is a chalice and is made of thick deep amber glass. The stem is drawn out from the bowl and was manipulated to form a wedge-shaped base. The weight of the thick base provides some stability. The extreme edge of the lip has been beveled inward, to provide a smooth surface for one’s lips. The last piece is a simple tumbler. This form must have been made in quantity, but whether it be New England or Midwestern, this is not an easily found piece to add to one’s collection. This is a dark olive-green and has a plain rim and rough pontil.

Considering that none of these pieces are really common, Joe has accomplished a lot in the formation of this collection in only a few years. We’ll give him another ten years or so, and return for an update.
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Midwestern Glass and Glass Making - 1790 - 1810

Historical Background

gift, like a promise, like God’s providence in an unfeeling world...."

They came and they tamed the wilderness and formed the new States of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee. At the Pittsburgh boat yards, $35.00 would buy a rectangular flat-bottomed boat with a shed-like cabin, which housed both animals and humans and a low rafted deck to hold the cattle and horses. Nicknamed a “broadhorn” it had two long steering oars set in notches on the roof. Like a floating barnyard, it moved serenely down the “shining road”, stopping at Wheeling, Louisville or Cincinnati for supplies. Some stayed and others kept moving west. Cities named Cairo, Natchez, St. Louis and Memphis were built.

In 1803, the third President of the young United States brought off the most significant land purchase in history, when Thomas Jefferson, the farmer from Monticello, purchased that land known as “Louisiana” from the cash poor Revolutionary French government of Napoleon. At a single stroke, the size of the coun-

Liverpool creamware pitcher for the American market circa 1800, with a black transfer of the results of the first census of the United States. While the design has a few inaccuracies, it is generally close, except for South Carolina, where the engraver left out a number. The actual results, which show the terrific growth occurring in the “west” were: New Hampshire - 141,835; Massachusetts - 378,787; Vermont - 85,425; Delaware - 59,096; South Carolina - 249,073; Tennessee - 35,691; District of Maine - 96,540; Pennsylvania - 434,373; Rhode Island - 68,825; Connecticut - 237,946; New York - 340,120; New Jersey - 184,129; Mary Land - 319,728; Virginia - 747,610; Kentucky - 74,877; North Carolina - 393,751; Georgia - 82,548; South of Ohio - 33,069 and North West of Ohio - not known. Those States shown in bold are those that have population in the states of the great rivers of the “west”. Using a bit of smoke and mirrors and guesswork, one could estimate that between 12% and 16% of the population in 1790, lived in the west. The recorded growth during the next twenty years was phenomenal. Lewis Collection.
try was doubled and the mighty Mississippi River and all its tributaries came under the control of the Americans. Ohio became a State in 1803, Mississippi became a territory in 1804, Louisiana (to Montana) and Michigan became territories in 1805, followed by Indiana and Illinois in 1809. The "broadhorns" kept floating down the rivers, taking the Germans, the Irish, the Virginians and New Englanders west. At the end of the journey, the little boats would be broken up to form a small dwelling. Settlements were built, then towns, and finally cities. As an example of the explosive growth, take Indiana, the central portion of which was purchased from the natives in 1818. By 1824, four wagons moved the seat of government from Corydon to the new centrally located town of Indianapolis. Within a very short time the new capital boasted not only a State House, but an Institute for the Blind and a State Hospital. All these hundreds of towns needed glass. Window glass, which formed the basis of a great industry, which was forming primarily in Pittsburgh and Wheeling, but also in New Geneva, Mantua, Zanesville, Kent and Louisville. River towns.

At first, window glass came in a variety of colors that were the result of the elements found in the local sand. From aqua to amber. Then as tastes and demand changed, the glass companies rushed to perfect the process to make "white glass", free of all hints of color. Competition between the companies was fierce. Lowell Inness mentions one particular instance in 1801, when New Geneva triumphed over the larger houses in Pittsburgh for a contract calling for the purchase of eight hundred 10" x 12" panes for the new courthouse in Chillicothe, Ohio. Eight hundred pieces for one building in one little town. This gives you the idea of the enormous volumes of glass that was being used in the new territories.

Window glass was created using one of two methods. The first involved the gaffer blowing a large long cylinder of glass, which was split lengthwise and flattened, which was the fastest process and allowed the manufacture of large individual panes. The drawback to this was the rippling that was caused by the flattening process. The second method was called crown glass making where the gaffer blew a large flat circular sheet called a "crown". This could be cut into small, but extremely clear panes, without the offensive rippling common to the other method. These methods were used throughout the 19th century, with little modernization of the techniques.

If the manufacturing techniques were rather primitive, the marketing system was positively archaic. One has to read Lowell Inness' "Pittsburgh Glass", where he quotes excerpts from Bakewell's Thomas Pears' letters to his wife, which give a first-person view of the difficulties of selling glass in 1819 to 1820, along the rivers. Glass was purchased direct from the factories or from merchants. Often agents of the factory would accompany a flatboat load of glass, stopping at the different river towns to sell, barter or auction the goods. Due to the lack of a National Banking system manufacturers used vouchers, letters of trade and old fashioned barter as payments. This was an unwieldy system, which weakened the companies by the extension of too much credit. If a financial crisis occurred (as they did following the unpopular War of 1812 and again in 1837), their accumulation of debt would quickly lead to their demise. According to the McKearins, writing in "Two Hundred Years of American Blown Glass", more than half the companies operating glasshouses failed in the five year period between 1815 and 1820. However, due to the strong demand for the product, others with a bit of capital would purchase the defunct plant and start
new. Thus was the tumultuous history of manufacturing in the west.

This barter economy caused the demand for the second major product of the early Midwestern glass makers—bottles or containers to hold the liquid products of the burgeoning agricultural industry. Farmers, who grew the corn and grain, converted it to whiskey, and thus needed containers to hold the product. Whiskey not only had a higher value, but was also easier to transport. Taverns and homes needed the containers to store the product and glassware to drink it. So the factories produced a variety of bottles, flasks and blown table wares. The bottles and flasks seem to remain the “natural” colors produced by the local sands, but society, entranced by the Anglo-Irish and Bohemian imports, wanted high quality “white” lead glass for their tables.

It wasn’t until 1811 that the first steamboat, The New Orleans, was launched in Pittsburgh, which enabled that city to ship its wares downstream to New Orleans, South America and the Indies. The power craft quickly conquered the rivers, opening a triangular area of trade, which included the Great Lakes, the prairie as far north as Fort Benton and the great Gulf port of New Orleans. This turned out to be a rather mixed blessing for the glass makers, as the exports which used Portugal, Germany and England. The Napoleonic Wars and the crushing blockade of Europe by the English Navy, crippled this trade and enabled the Anglo-Irish glass industry to successfully challenge this leadership. The “new” Empire style made the English cut glass, which resembled tiny sparkling diamonds the vogue, and England, assisted by protective tariffs, became the leading glass maker to the world. It should be no great surprise to the student of American glass, that those importers of Staffordshire china, as discussed in our book, “The First Supplement Historical Staffordshire”, located in the river cities of New Orleans, Louisville, Cincinnati, Wheeling and Pittsburgh, would also carry an Anglo-Irish line of fine glass wares. After the War of 1812 and the Napoleonic Wars, England adopted an aggressive trade policy of subsidizing its exports, so that it could be sold at well below its cost. The imports flooded the East coast, causing many of the infant
industries, such as ceramics and glass to whither on the vine. The ripple effect eventually reached the Midwest and caused failures and reduced production. Politically volatile, this led to the emergence of western lawmakers calling for the "American System" to combat the threat. That is where we will take up the story in the next installment of Midwestern Glass and Glass Making.

The Glass

Freiblown milk pan in a medium amethyst color with folded rim and pontilled base. Made from bottle and window glass 1809 - 1860. Loosely attributed to Manlius, Ohio on the basis of color.

Above: This is a flat disk of glass with a pontil at the center which is the "crown" glass referred to in the text. Approximately 60" in diameter, the crown would be cut as indicated, yielding (2) 6" x 5" and (2) 6" x 4" pcs. all having one rounded side. There would be (2) 11" x 8" pcs; (2) 10" x 10" pcs; (4) 15" x 10" pcs; (2) 14" x 10" pcs; (2) 11" x 8" pcs and (4) 6" x 5" pcs.

Typical freiblown table wares made from bottle and window glass circa 1797 - 1860. Colors of this group range from a darkish olive green of the bowl on the left, to the two aqua bowls in the center and then to a golden amber found in the rare circular window.

Left: A 19th century woodcut of St. Louis on the Mississippi. The steamboats plied the rivers from Waterford, Pennsylvania to New Orleans to a point three thousand five hundred and sixty miles from the sea, up the Missouri river near Fort Benton. These boats carried far from the Northwest, tribute and payments to the Indians, Mormons, emigrants, soldiers and gold seekers bound for California and Montana. By mid-century one traveler reported that one could always count nearly one hundred steamboats on the river, "taking in or discharging freight...."
Right: A fine selection of Midwestern flasks. From left to right we have (1) a dark red amber chestnut in a 24 rib pattern, (2) a golden amber chestnut in a twenty-four vertical rib pattern and (3) medium red amber twenty-four rib chestnut, which is in front of a (4) rare yellow twenty-four rib chestnut. These and (10) the red amber twenty-four ribs chestnut on the far right are all attributed by the rib count to Zanesville, Ohio. The small deep citron (5) unpainted chestnut in the foreground is next to a (7) sea-green pitkin, which is behind (8) a fine sea-green small chestnut flask in the Zanesville "ten-diamond" pattern. Number 6, in the rear, is an aqua sixteen vertical rib chestnut. The light blue flask in the rear is patterned in a twenty rib pattern and is probably Pittsburgh, while the last flask, (9) is a deeply patterned root-beer colored golden amber pitkin.

Two rare and rather special bottles. Left we have an extremely rare olive-green pitkin cruet. This New England bottle was created using the "German pont" method and has two layers of glass and two intersecting patterns. On the right we have its Midwestern counterpart, a rare Mansfield, Ohio light amethyst cruet pattern molded in a twenty rib mold with the ribs ending in a terminal ring around the pontil.

Right: One of the bottle forms originating in the Midwest is that of the "glob" or globular bottle. With a turned over collar and shallow indented base, it is usually decorated in a rib pattern. Colors are usually in the amber family, ranging from deep black amber, through red amber to the lovely golden amber. The bottle illustrated here is probably the finest known example of a globular bottle having perfect form, a rather rare twenty-four vertical rib pattern and in a deep, almost black, amethyst color. The form has a transitional feel to it, usually found in the earlier Steigl products. Provenance isn't bad either, having once been in the collections of Charles Gardner and Paul C Richards.
Blown and blown pattern molded drinking vessels 1790 - 1840. On the left is an olive green handled mug with a plain rim, flat pontilled base and a thick applied handle with a simple turned over curled ending. This is a typically New England product, having little or nothing artistic about it. On the other hand, the other two examples are classic Midwestern and have excellent form and proportion and their appearance is enhanced by the use of the rib patterns. Note the subtle lines of the tankard, the curve of the body and handle. Not only was the gaffer good, but he was having a good day. This is where glass approaches the realm of art. The tumbler is aqau, while the mug is a delicious clear green.

Two fine footed salts. The example on the left is probably South Jersey, circa 1820-1870 and has been artistically enhanced by the addition of white looping to the clear glass. Both Pittsburgh and Jersey are identified with this type of decoration. Nice piece, however, when it is compared to the sea-green Zanesville example, that is pattern molded in a twenty-four rib design, it is entirely outclassed in form, proportion, workmanship and beauty.

Right: Created in a window or bottle glass factory, this superb red amber footed compote once again illustrates the use and understanding of form and proportion by the gaffer. The boldly flared mouth and deep bowl is nicely balanced by the applied funnel foot. This Ohio product was not a production piece, but rather something the gaffer made in his spare time, probably for personal use. The rest of the time he blew bottles. Now, I like Midwestern bottles and flasks as well as the next guy, but that seems a waste of a wonderful talent.
Here we have four candlesticks showing that New Englanders too, on occasion, had an artistic sense. On the far left, is the classic “Beehive” design firmly attributed to the Boston and Sandwich Glass Company. This is a fine example that calls for no apology, when placed next to the pair of classic Pittsburgh sticks in the center. The stick with true “star” quality is the olive green New Hampshire example on the far right. Only very rarely, does one encounter a New England piece with the presence and artistic qualities that are found in this piece. Again, true talent having a better than usual day with a blow-pipe.

These “pocket-bottles” have a decided 18th century European origin, however it is a known fact that they continued in popularity well into the 19th century in the Midwest. Rarely found unpatterned, they were decorated in the typical ribbed, swirled and diamond pattern known to have been used by Mantua, Kent, Zanesville and others.

18th century examples of the imports which obliterated America’s fledgling glass industries. While the copper wheel engraved decanter on the left, is probably English, it might be attributed to an American origin, as it does have the Seal of the United States on one side and “LIBERTY” on the reverse. However, the delicately engraved example on the right, while attributed to the Anelung enterprise in “American Glass”, has now been proven to be of Bohemian origin.

To Be Continued........
Voices From the Past
Articles, Letters, Sales Lists and Auction Results from 1890 to the Present

The Caleb C. Ewing Collection of Early American Glass &
Historical Staffordshire ~ Part I

In the first issue of The Q, we mentioned Caleb Ewing
when we discussed the unique Washington medallion cup
plate, which Mrs. Larsen donated to the Smithsonian. Cal's
first love was Early American Glass and his Collection, while
not as large as the Esholz holdings, was certainly more
representative of the field, since it included much more of
the rare and desirable blown glass, which Esholz’s lacked. In
addition to the wonderful pieces of blown and pressed glass,
we are listing in this and the January/February issue, the Col-
collection included several hundred cup plates and several hun-
dred salts. As a matter of fact, Cal’s collection of salts was
used by the Neals as models for the drawings in their defini-
tive work, Pressed Glass Salts of the Lacy Period. Linda and
I fought Cal’s attempts to interest us in glass, refusing his
many offers to accompany him to Bourne auctions or visits
to dealers such as Abraham and May. He stated many times
that he was going to “get” us into glass, if it was the last thing
he ever did. When Cal died of cancer in the early 1980’s, we
received a call from his son, who told us that his father’s
instructions were that we were to sell his glass and Stafford-
shire (over 2000 pieces) and that Cal had left his library to us
to assist in this labor. Needless to say, we were an instant
presence in the glass world and have been profoundly grateful to
Cal ever since.

Cal got into Staffordshire rather late in his collecting and de-
cided to concentrate on smaller pieces, such as child’s mugs,
salts and cup plates. His collection is quite impressive and
remember, he did own the fabled Washington medallion at one
time, but decided to dispose of it and wait for a better example.
This was a major collection of Staffordshire, even though the
items themselves were small.

It was a Collection put together in the period from 1940 through
1975. Some might say that was “the good old days”, before
things became hard to find. We hope you enjoy this collection
formed by a gentleman and a very gentle man. Ed.

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fect......$225.00 |
Several of these salts are really quite rare. Number 13, the blue checked diamond is an Amelung product, which we haven't seen in ages. Numbers 18, 19, 20, 21 and 29 are all very rare and beautiful Midwestern products. They would bring many times the prices quoted back in 1980, when we started the dispersal of the Collection. Item number 36 is of New England origin and I can't recall when we've seen another.
Item number 37, the aqua Lilypad salt is one of the finest examples of American Blown glass we have handled. The double Lilypad is an extremely rare touch. The price is ludicrous, but don't forget, this was our first attempt at selling glass and the prices we were quoting really were considered high, at that time. The amethyst blown three mold G-II-18 salt is another show stopper, as are the two green blown three mold bottles, numbers 72 and 73. Wish I knew where some of these goodies are today.

37 / 512 / 2" aqua double lilypad crimp-footed salt. Extremely rare item, from the collection of Titus Genesey. Has lilypad decoration up from base and another down from top. Threaded rim. Probably New York or New Jersey. Perfect...$850.00 2" clear G-II-III-25 three mold salt. Sunburst in a square. (form similar to, but with flanged top) $110-11). Sandwich. Perfect...$75.00 2" blue G-II-25 three mold salt. Same form as above. Perfect...$850.00 1 3/4" blue G-II-III-25 three mold salt. (identical to B-110-11). Two tiny chips out of the rim.$275.00 2 1/4" blue G-II-III-25 three mold salt. PAINT Imprint. (shape: B-110-10). Perfect...$80.00 2 1/4" amethyst G-II-18 three mole salt, (identical to B-2-9-1; B-110-8). Has a tiny chip/check which clearly shows in Ref. 5-9-4. Extremely rare...$750.00 2 1/2" citron 16 vertical spiraled rib Ohio Salt. (B-80-6). Perfect...$500.00 2 1/2" blue G-II-III-25 three mold salt. Perfect...$1475.00 2 1/2" clear, same as the above. Perfect...$275.00 2 1/4" clear same as the above. Perfect...$875.00 2 1/4" clear, heavy ribbed salt (38 ribs). Looks similar to open round ribbed bowl mounted atop a similar solid bowl. Proof...$55.00 1 3/4" round (not footed) clear salt. 12 heavy vertical ribs. Perfect...$80.00 Blown molded oblong salt, clear. (identical to A-26-1). Slight roughness top rim...$65.00 Blown molded oblong salt, clear (identical to A-26-1). Tiny chip on rim, plus usual roughness...$40.00 Blown molded oblong clear salt (identical to A-26-3). Usual roughness, perfect...$75.00 same as the above...$65.00 Blown molded oblong clear salt (A-26-6). Tiny chip on rim...$75.00 Blown molded clear oblong salt with plain rim, vertical ribbing on bottom half and sunburst bottom. Several large shallow chips on side...$235.00 Blown molded oblong clear salt with a pattern of vertical ribs alternating with panels of diamond quilting. Usual rim roughness...$85.00 same as the above, but in blue-purple. About mint...$925.00 Blown molded oblong Blue salt (A-26-3). Has roughness and several chips around top rim and a 7/8" hole in bottom. $3175.00 Blown molded oblong blue salt (A-26-4). Ends are different, in that they are finished with a continuation of the vertical rib pattern, not the chevron. Very rough rim resulting from excessive chipping...$175.00 Blown footed Egg cup, olive amber. 2 3/4" high. (Ref: 2-24). Rim on this has been slightly rolled and turned down. Polished pontil. Two minute flakes under turned down rim...$65.00 Round clear blown molded salt (A-26-7). Perfect...$65.00 Octagonal clear blown molded salt (A-26-8). Tiny flake on the rim...$85.00 same as number 60 above. Perfect...$365.00

HATS, BOTTLES AND SHALLOW BOWLS

63 / 263 / Clear blown hat, three mold (G-III-1). Perfect...$200.00 Clear blown hat, three mold w/rayed base (G-II-16). Perfect...$295.00
64 / 586 / Blue blown hat, three mold (G-III-25). Perfect...$50.00 Blue blown hat, three mold (G-III-29). Perfect...$50.00
65 / 513 / Clear three mold 5 1/8" diameter bowl. Probably G-II-16. Turned finished rim. Perfect...$225.00
66 / 587 / Light green 6" 18 ribbed shallow bowl. Probably Western Penn. or Ohio (G-17-3). Perfect...$75.00
67 / 199 / Olive amber Flask, broken swirl chestnut flask. Proof...$50.00 Olive amber Ohio broken swirl pitkin flask. Perfect...$90.00
68 / 253 / Olive amber, three mold blown decanter G-III-16. Perfect...$300.00
72 / 581 / Olive green-emerald green, G-II-28 square decanter (B-102-3). Rare and mint...$1200.00
73 / 1805 / Sea green Ohio globular bottle. Applied rim/amp. Perfect...$160.00
74 / 193 / Clear three mold decanter G-III-5, w/wood stopper (B-111-1). Probably did not originally go together, but they now make a matching pair. Height: 18 3/4". Perfect...$50.00
75 / 758 / Aqua blown tall (3 3/4") crownd cowboy hat. Not terribly old, but unusual. Tiny chip on brim...$65.00
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<td>Clear 2 3/4&quot; miniature decanter, G-III-12 (B-105-12) w/wafer stopper. Extremely rare and proof</td>
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<td>Clear 4&quot; decanter (1 pint), G-III-21, waffle diamond sunburst, with swirled stopper. Tiny chip on collar.</td>
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<td>Clear 4 3/4&quot; crust bottle w/stopper. G-I-21L. Perfect</td>
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<td>Clear 4 7/8&quot; crust bottle w/stopper. G-II-41L. Perfect</td>
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<td>Clear 4&quot; bottle decanter without design (B-72-6 for form). Perfect w/stopper</td>
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<td>Same as the above, but 6 5/8&quot;. Perfect</td>
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<td>Opaque white Bristol-type cologne bottle w/stopper. Good amount of the original gold swagging still remaining. Perfect</td>
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<td>Clear blown glass cruet w/pouring spout and stopper, 12&quot; tall. Has a handle. Perfect</td>
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<td>86</td>
<td>Blue blown ribbed cologne bottle 9&quot; tall. G-I-7 three mold. Double ringed neck. No stopper. Perfect</td>
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**Deep Blue blown three decanter stopper (only). (B-114-2). Extremely rare colr. Mint.** $150.00

**FLIPS, MUGS AND GLASSES**

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<td>Clear blown three mold handled mug G-III-8. Tiny shallow flute on inside of rim</td>
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<td>Clear 7 5/8&quot; blown three mold flip, G-II-34. Rare size. Perfect</td>
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<td>Clear 6 4&quot; 3/4&quot; ribbed flip with engraved trellis of vines around top. Perfect</td>
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<td>91</td>
<td>Clear 3 3/8&quot; blown 5 1/4&quot; ribbed handled mug with engraved leaves and buds around top. Perfect</td>
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<td>Clear 1 1/4&quot; blown 4 1/2&quot; rib flip glass. Perfect</td>
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<td>93</td>
<td>Clear 4 3/4&quot; blown spill holder with engraved leaves around rim. Perfect</td>
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<td>Clear 5 1/4&quot; blown stemmed goblet (B-12-1). Perfect</td>
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<td>Clear 3 3/8&quot; blown whiskey tumbler. Slight chipping around rim</td>
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<td>Clear 5 1/4&quot; blown tumbler stem wine. Tiny chip on rim</td>
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<td>97</td>
<td>Clear blown 1&quot; wine glass. Perfect</td>
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<td>Sea Green 2 3/8&quot; blown and swirled whiskey tumbler. Perfect</td>
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**VASES & BOWLS**

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<td>Set of two similar blow footed engraved vases (B-7-1). Shape is the same, decoration is slightly different. Tiny shallow chip on rim of one</td>
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<td>100</td>
<td>Heavy flint glass clear footed compote. 5 3/4&quot; high. Totally plain. Perfect</td>
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<td>101</td>
<td>Amethyst blown twelve paneled finger bowl. 3 3/4&quot; x 3 1/2&quot; d. Flute pattern. Perfect</td>
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<td>102</td>
<td>Same as the above, but slightly smaller. Perfect</td>
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<td>103</td>
<td>Clear pillar molded compote with blue rim (D-197). Perfect</td>
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<td>104</td>
<td>Amethyst blown 7 3/4&quot; paneled vase (B-33-1). Rare form. Tiny chip underneath folded rim</td>
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<td>105</td>
<td>Same as the above, but in electric blue. Perfect</td>
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<td>106</td>
<td>Same as the above, but in sapphire blue. Perfect</td>
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<td>107</td>
<td>Deep olive green Saratoga (Mountain) Glass Works footed bowl 4 3/4&quot; high (B-69-2nd row #10). Perfect</td>
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<tr>
<td>108</td>
<td>Deep amber Ellenville, N Y footed bowl for shaker (B-28-4). Folded finished rim. Perfect</td>
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<td>109</td>
<td>Aqua blue footed bowl, probably Mt Vernon. Perfect</td>
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<td>110</td>
<td>Clear with white loops footed vase (B-34-6 for similar form). Probably Pittsburgh. Perfect</td>
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In the interest of brevity, we will reference the following volumes and illustrations contained therein, during the course of the following list. It is difficult to describe forms, etc., so we will cite these references/illustrations as often as is possible:


The Caleb C. Ewing Collection
of
American Pressed Glass

**MINIATURE LACY**

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<td>Wash pitcher, (Ref A, plate 80, top row, far right) Canary, no damage..............$350.00</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>Wash bowl, (same refs), blue, paneled side, proof...$175.00</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>568</td>
<td>Wash Bowl, same as the above, proof.............$175.00</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>295</td>
<td>Soup tureen, cover, tray, clear, (Ref A, plate 80, top row middle). Fan design all three pieces. Shallow flake under side lid, unseen shallow chip inside base foot rim, small ground area rim of tray........$175.00 set tureen base (only), same as above, badly damaged. One handle off and crudely replaced, the other partially gone...$30.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>799</td>
<td>cremer, clear, (Ref A, plate 80, middle row, 1st to left) two tiny flakes on top rim and one scallop on foot rim off, otherwise proof...........$95.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>655</td>
<td>cremer, clear, same as the preceding, except it has a fan handle. Shallow flake and roughness top rim. Scalloped base..............$185.00</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>798</td>
<td>cremer, amethyst, (same refs). Heavy damage, in that handle has long shallow chip on side, spout gone, ½ scallops on base rim gone..............$125.00</td>
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<td>cremer, opal, (same refs). Tiny flake top rim, otherwise proof..............$45.00</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>931</td>
<td>cremer, opal, (Ref A, plate 80, middle row 2&amp;3 from left). Two chips on foot rim and one scallop gone from top rim. Looks good...........$375.00</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>911</td>
<td>footed bowl, opal, (Ref A, plate 80, middle row 2&amp;3 from left). Two chips on foot rim and one scallop gone from top rim. Looks good...........$375.00</td>
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<td>870</td>
<td>footed bowl, same as above, clear, perfect except for two scallop off top rim flaked.............$175.00</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>520</td>
<td>cup with saucer, clear, (Ref A, plate 80, middle row, 2nd from right). Cup has chip out of rim, three shallow flakes off rim of saucer...........$75.00</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>726</td>
<td>saucer (only), clear, overall rim rough age..............$45.00</td>
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<td>saucer (only), clear, slight rim roughage..............$65.00</td>
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<td>15</td>
<td>869</td>
<td>footed compote, clear (Ref A, plate 80, bottom row), excellent condition with only minor flaking on top rim. Lee states this is the rarest. 1½x high, rayed base and bowl center..........$400.00</td>
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<td>16</td>
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<td>soup tureen and cover(Small size) Blue, remarkable condition with only a few flakes on underside of cover that are unseen..........$650.00</td>
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<td>soup tureen tray (only), clear. Fits small size tureen. Overall scallop roughness, border clear..............$50.00</td>
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<td>18</td>
<td>873</td>
<td>oval platter, canary, bulls eye center, paneled border. Proof..............$225.00</td>
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As you probably know, colored lacy miniatures are considered quite rare. This Collection has a good representation of these rarities, along with some very rare examples in clear. The numbers which are crossed out were those items that quickly sold as the result of our advertising, as this was before we had any listing of Glass collectors. As always, the great rarities sold at "light" speed. It takes an experienced collector to know what is considered "rare" and only then will you realize that the opportunities to possess these items are quite limited and must be quickly grasped, if and when occasion arises.

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<td>Oval veg. dish, clear, same as above</td>
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<td>Oval veg. Dish, clear, same as above, missing a few scallops.</td>
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<td>oval scallop dish, opal, Ref A, plate 81, 2nd row. Perfect</td>
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<td>min. plate, amethyst, (Ref A, plate 81, third row left). Tiniest flake on rim</td>
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<td>plate, clear, proof</td>
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<td>plate, clear, two scallops faint roughness</td>
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<td>plate, clear, five scallops ground</td>
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<td>rectangular footed dish, (Ref A, plate 82 top row). Great rarity with a tiny chip and a flake on foot</td>
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<td>43</td>
<td>candlesticks, canary (Ref A, plate 83). A pair that is</td>
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<td>plate, clear, Ref A, plate 83, 2nd row right side. Proof</td>
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<td>candlesticks, electric blue. Proof</td>
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<td>tumbler, deep blue, very lacy. Lee states that she only knows of two of these. Proof, except for shallow flake that does not go through rim</td>
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<td>flat iron, opal, perfect</td>
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<td>flat iron, smoky blue, perfect</td>
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<td>sparkling lamp w/pressed base, blown font, 3¼ high, clear</td>
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<td>178</td>
<td>footed tumbler, blue, late paneled, unusual</td>
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<td>footed tumbler, blue same</td>
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### WHISKEY TAISTERS AND TUMBLERS

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<td>min whiskey taster, amethyst, proof</td>
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<td>min whiskey taster, peacock blue, proof</td>
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<td>min whiskey taster, lacy, amethyst, tiny chip on rim</td>
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<td>min whiskey taster, lacy canary, mold roughness on foot, otherwise proof</td>
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<td>min whiskey taster, lacy, opal, exact form as others, but blower expanded mouth giving it a &quot;salt&quot; look. Unusual and proof</td>
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<td>whiskey tumbler, 1¼ high, blue, proof</td>
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<td>tumbler, 3½ high, emerald green, paneled</td>
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<td>44</td>
<td>tumbler, 3½ high, amethyst, paneled, tiny flake inside rim</td>
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## Lacy Plates and Bowls

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<td>One scallop has been off and replaced</td>
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<td>6 1/4&quot; lacy bowl, amethyst, plume (Ref A, 6-1). Seven scallops flaked</td>
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<td>1 1/8&quot; bowl, blue, Crossed Swords (Ref A, 85-1). Four scallops flaked</td>
<td>$1.10 each</td>
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<td>1 3/4&quot; bowl, amber, Roman rosette, (Ref A, 85-3). Two tiny spalls</td>
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<td>1 1/2&quot; bowl, blue, Roman Rosette, proof</td>
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<td>1 3/4&quot; plate, clear, cinquefoils &amp; roundels, Midwestern (Ref B, 26-1-2). Tiny flakes on two scallops</td>
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<td>1 3/4&quot; bowl, clear, Oak Leaf (Ref A, 85-1). Tiny flakes on a few scallops</td>
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<td>5 3/4&quot; clear lacy bowl (Ref A, 91-3 center/91-4 border). Quadrate (four pointed star) with princes feather border. One scallop flaked</td>
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<td>6 1/4&quot; bowl, electric blue, Peacock Eye, (Ref A, 85-5). Two scallops flaked</td>
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<td>5 1/4&quot; bowl, clear, Acanthus leaf. Proof</td>
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<td>6 3/4&quot; shallow bowl, opaque white, Princess Feather. Slight surface spalls</td>
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<td>6 1/4&quot; bowl, opal Roman Rosette, Several chips on rim</td>
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<td>6 1/4&quot; bowl, clear, Peacock Eye. Two rim chips, roughness</td>
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<td>5&quot; clear plate, Early Midwestern. Strawberry Diamond, round w/88 bullseye scallop border (mate to ref G, page 146, lower right). Extremely rare and proof</td>
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<td>4 3/4&quot; canary bowl, Sunburst w/prism border. Unseen chip on rim</td>
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<td>6 3/4&quot; deep blue bowl, Sunburst w/six evenly spaced concentric circles. Flakes on five scallops</td>
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What can one say about long pages of lacy pressed glass plates and bowls, except that once again, Cal had a great many in color. The items presented on these two pages simply foretell what is to come as we go further into this particular field. Including very large bowls, plates, sugar bowls, and inkstands which are now in the collections of the Corning and the Sandwich Museums. Stay tuned folks, it does get better, especially in this particular field. Cal's holdings of sticks and vases were unripped.
6" pale green, thick early checkered diamond plate w/fan border (B-131-7). Proof.... $85.00

6" clear plate, Midwest Shells and Circle design (B-260 & 262-3). Proof..... $75.00

Same, (havilier/earlier) flake on two scallops.... $75.00

6" clear plate, Midwest Heart variant, describe Ref D-282.

Somewhat rare (C-psl=17-3). Proof..... $125.00

6 1/8" clear plate, Flower and Star, midsenthern (C-317). Flake on one smaller scallop.... $70.00

6 3/4" clear shallow bowl, Oak Leaf (B-155-1). Unusual size in this pattern. Four scallops flaked.... $75.00

6 3/4" clear bowl, Nectarine (B-157-3). Identified by Mr. Kearin as "rare". One scallop flaked.... $90.00

Same as 110. Better impression. Five scallops flaked.... $75.00

7" clear bowl, same as above. Several scallops rough.... $75.00

6" clear deep bowl, Strawberry Swirl (C-151-1). Four chips on top of rope border.... $175.00

7" deep bowl with pink tint, same as above (Strawberry Diamond w/Cable...N 2 Glass). Underside of Cable is very rough and it appears some has been ground.... $25.00

5 5/8" clear plate, Pittsburgh soda glass marked "P & J Robinson Pittsburgh". Tiny flake on one scallop.... $95.00

6" clear plate, Midwestern "Scrolled Eye" (B-112-2). Overfill roughage, seven scallops chipped, some badly.... $90.00

6" clear plate, Geometric design w/bulseye border (B-266-2). Uncommon. Roughness on scallop tips.... $150.00 Midwestern 7" clear plate, Midwestern Thistle (B-141-1). Rare. Slight flaking on tips of some scallops.... $175.00

6" clear shallow bowl, Midwestern "Hairpin" (B-300). Six scallops chipped.... $65.00

6 3/4" clear bowl, Tulip and Acanthus pattern (B-156-3). Small chip out of rim.... $55.00

6" clear plate, Sandwich Acorn (B-151-9). The "Washington, George" plate, without G. W. Proof.... $45.00

7" clear bowl, Princess Feather (A-90-1). Minor roughage on top rim..... 4th Pineapple.... $200.00

6 3/4" clear bowl, Princess Feather (A-90-4). Rim small and overall rim roughage.... $70.00

7" clear plate, thick Star & Diamond pattern (A-91-3). Uncommon. One scallop chipped, others are rough.... $100.00

8" plate, clear, Midwestern Flower and Star (B-317). Overall scallop roughness.... $125.00

6 1/2" clear deep bowl, Peacock Eye (A-109-2). Some flaking on the scallops.... $50.00

8" clear plate, Peacock Eye and Thistle (A-114-2). Fine condition..... $150.00

7" clear bowl, Peacock Eye w/diamond center swirl (A-117). One small chip on rim, usual roughness.... $65.00

Same as the above, usual rim roughness.... $65.00

7" deep bowl, soda glass, Harp (B-112-2). Slight flaking on rim.... $185.00

Same as the above, but with Pink tint.... $65.00

6" green plate (see #108 above) Midwestern Heart (Ref D-282). Slight rim roughness.... $350.00 X-Rare.

6" blue plate, same as above. Two scallops chipped plus usual rim roughness.... $300.00 X-rare

6" bowl, blue green (Light), Daisy w/beaded scale and eye border. (RefB 152-4 w/swirl). Usual roughness. Rare.... $215.00

To Be Continued........................
The Caleb C. Ewing Collection of Historical Staffordshire
~ Part I ~

In the interest of brevity, we will reference the following volumes and illustrations contained therein, during the course of this list. Many of these items were used to illustrate our second book on Historical Staffordshire:


B. First Supplement to Historical Staffordshire, David and Linda Arman, 1977, Arman Enterprises, Inc.

C. Historical China Cup Plates, Richard and Virginia Wood, self published.

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The Caleb C. Ewing Collection of Staffordshire

Cup Plates, Salts, Mugs and Miniatures

HISTORICAL STAFFORDSHIRE

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<td>3½&quot; cup plate, DON QUIXOTE-YANGUESIAN CONFLICT (C-23). Rare and mint...$700.00</td>
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Now that we collect rare cup plates, it amazes me just how many Cal had accumulated in a relatively short period of time. Also, when was the last time you saw or heard of a footed master salt with an American Historical View? For that matter, when was the last time you saw a salt shaker in the Shell Border series?

**ENOCH WOOD**

| 1741 | 1/4" cup plate, CHRISTMAS EVE (B-87). Dk blue by Claws from the Milkie series. Tiny chip on rim and two faint hairlines on back....$165.00 |
| 1741 | 1/4" cup plate, LETTER OF INTRODUCTION (B-91). Dk blue from Milkie series. Tiny flake on rim....$250.00 |
| 1740 | 3/4" cup plate, CHRISTMAS EVE (B-87). Partial view without a border. B/prof....$300.00 |
| 1740 | 3/4" cup plate, THE ERRAND BOY (C-36). Double transfer. B/prof......$300.00 |
| 1736 | 5" toddy, FT EDWARD, HUDSON RIVER. Lavender by Claws. (C-38). 1
1/8" h/1 on back....$45.00 |
| 1736 | 1/8" cup plate, FT EDWARD. Brown by Claws (C-38). Brilliant proof....$75.00 |
| 1736 | 3 1/8" cup plate, FT EDWARD. Brown (C-39). Proof....$70.00 |
| 1736 | 3 3/4" cup plate, FT EDWARD. Malberry (C-40). Extremely rare variant. B/prof....$150.00 |
| 1736 | 3 7/8" cup plate, NEAR SANDY HILL. Deep Pink. Have three, all b/mint....$75.00 each |
| 1736 | 3 7/8" cup plate, FAIRMOUNT. Lt Blue (C-43). Proof....$70.00 |
| 1736 | 3 7/8" cup plate, FAIRMOUNT. Pink (C-43) Impressed ADAMS. Proof....$75.00 |
| 1736 | 3 7/8" cup plate, FAIRMOUNT. Black (C-43). Proof....$75.00 |

<p>| 1737 | 3 1/4&quot; cup plate, BAY SALOON (B-153). B/prof...$375.00 |
| 1737 | 3 3/4&quot; cup plate, PRIVATE, HALF SAIL (C-97). B/prof....$375.00 |
| 1737 | Salt Shaker, FOUR MEN IN A BOAT (B-153). Great rarity in mint condition....$950.00 |
| 1737 | Salt Shaker, FOUR MEN IN A BOAT (B-153) for view). Diferent shape than above, this similar to an inverted light bulb. Has damage that was poorly restored on foot and top....$550.00 |
| 1782 | Salt shaker, Wemyss Tower. Recorded form of this view. Mint and foot has old bad repair. Needs restoration....$550.00 |
| 1762 | 3 3/4&quot; cup plate, CASTLE GARDEN (C-101). Finest possible |
| 1762 | 3 3/4&quot; cup plate, CASTLE GARDEN. Same as the preceding from the Regular Shell border series. Has a faint h/1 on back... looks great....$150.00 |
| 1762 | 5 3/4&quot; toddy plate, HUDSON RIVER VIEW (C-102). Extremely rare. Proof....$550.00 |
| 1782 | 3 1/4&quot; cup plate, CASTLE GARDEN, Trefol border. B/mint... ..........$300.00 |
| 1782 | 3 3/4&quot; cup plate, CASTLE GARDEN, Trefol border. Has a h/1 and a tiny flake on the back....$150.00 |
| 1762 | 3 3/4&quot; cup plate, COTTAGE IN THE WOODS. Trefol border. Finest example....$275.00 |
| 1759 | 3 1/4&quot; cup plate, LANDLORD OF THE FATHERS. Med blue by wood. B/M/H....$275.00 |
| 1760 | 3 1/4&quot; cup plate, LANDLORD OF THE FATHERS. Extremely rare version with the partial border. Proof....$75.00 |
| 1761 | 3 3/4&quot; cup plate, LANDLORD OF THE FATHERS. Extremely rare version w/partial border, no scrolls. Mint....$950.00 |
| 1770 | 3 1/2&quot; cup plate, LAFAYETTE AND WASHINGTON (C-111). Usual rarity since it is in the uncommon black transfer, instead more common cartouche. Extremely rare and proof has two little marks where it touched another piece during firing....$900.00 |
| 1769 | 3 1/2&quot; cup plate, same as the above, but in Carmine. Proof, except for tiny chip that I believe happened in the making....$750.00 |
| 1768 | 3 1/2&quot; cup plate, JACKSON, HERO OF NEW ORLEANS. Proof, except where it touched something during firing....$650.00 |
| 1766 | 3 5/8&quot; cup plate, WASHINGTON'S TOMB (so-called) (C-125). Extremely rare. Tiny spot on shoulder....$650.00 |
| 1737 | 3 7/8&quot; cup plate, COLUMBUS GEORGIA. Pink from the Celtic series. Extremely rare. Proof....$500.00 |
| 1737 | 3 7/8&quot; cup plate, COLUMBUS GEORGIA. Med. Blue. B/mint....$550.00 |
| 1737 | 3 7/8&quot; cup plate, STATE HOUSE, BOSTON. Uncommon by Ridgeway. Proof....$400.00 |
| 1754 | 4 5/8&quot; cup plate, EXCHANGE, BALTIMORE. (A-26a). Extremely rare. B/prof....$700.00 |
| 1737 | 3 7/8&quot; cup plate, LOG CABIN. Pink by Ridgeway for the Wm H Harrison campaign. Rare. Perfect.....$450.00 |</p>
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<td>7/8&quot; copper lustre jug with red band, CORKWALLIS SURRENDERING HIS SWORD. LAFAYETTE CROWNED IN GLORY. Rare item in proof condition.</td>
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In addition to those items listed as extremely rare, the Wood's book also lists 14 and 66 as "extremely rare. The two miniature mugs, numbers 87 and 88 are both in the same category, with only a very few known to exist. For the record, the unique ale mug, number 93, was withdrawn by Cal's son and was only recently sold by him through Collector's Sales and Services.

To Be Continued......
For the last year, Linda and I have been basically out of the antiques business, only occasionally able to add something to our own collection or purchasing something to sell through Collectors Sales and Service. Now after a year of retirement and living on a fixed income, we’re bored. Bored! BORED! So you, our readers, are the first to know, we are going to begin dealing again and will be issuing sales lists periodically, along with increased consignments through Collectors Sales and Services. We hope you will find something to add to your collection from the following list. All items are sold with an unconditional guarantee. Any item may be returned for any reason within five days (phone notification required). Merchandise will not be shipped until we receive your check. We will hold an item for seven days after the receipt of a telephone order...if we do not have your check at the end of that period, we will again offer the item for sale. Prices include packing, insurance and shipping via UPS. We offer a layaway plan. Ask for details. Please allow for adequate time for check clearance prior to shipping. We will purchase one piece or an entire collection. Try us and see.

1. 10 1/4”d plate, Niagara w/four medallions of Washington, Lafayette, Clinton and Jefferson and an vignette of The Entrance of the Erie Canal At Albany. Dark blue by Andrew Stevenson. Has a small in the making “touch” on the inner rim, otherwise brilliant mint...$3250.00

2. 6 3/8”d plate, St. Paul’s Chapel New York w/one medallion of Washington and a vignette of View of The Aqueduct Bridge At Little Falls. Dark blue by RSW. Ex-Little Collection. Brilliant proof....$4250.00

3. 7 5/8”d plate, Welcome Lafayette The Nations Guest and Our Country’s Glory. Dark blue by Clews. Green Feather edge and heavily embossed rim of wreaths and leaves. Impressed. Slight dullness to transfer, otherwise perfect...$1750.00


5. 10 1/8”d plate, Highlands, North River. Brilliant dark blue by Stubbs from the Eagle Border series. Brilliant proof, finest example...$6500.00

6. 6 1/4”d plate, Church in the City of New York. Dark blue by Stubbs from the Eagle Border series. Glaze a bit thin, but still brilliant proof....$950.00

7. 6 1/2”d plate, Highlands At West Point, Hudson River. Finest dark blue with great contrast by Wood from the Regular Shell Border series. Finest example...$1250.00

8. 6 1/2”d plate, Catskill House, Hudson River. Brilliant dark blue by Wood from the Regular Shell Border series. Finest example, brilliant proof...$1150.00

9. 9 3/4”w platter, Lafayette at Washington’s Tomb. Brilliant dark blue by Wood. Finest example.....$3500.00

10. 2 1/8”h candy mug with pink lustre rim, A Present for My Dear Girl / Seal of the United States / May Success Attend Our Agriculture, Trade and Manufacturers. Brown transfer. Finest example....$1750.00

11. 11 1/2”h Liverpool creamware pitcher, The Boston Fusilier / United We Stand, Divided We Fall / Seal of the United States. Black transfers by Herculaneum. Appearance is quite good, however this one was in several pieces and has been extensively restored. Glaze is quite thick. Less than half the price of perfect...$8850.00

12. 7 1/4”d round openwork tray with basketweave border, British Views. Shows a man on a horse, with a manor in the distance. Trace of an internal hairline on the reverse and some slight stacking wear...$425.00

13. 10 3/4”w oval openwork undertray, Oxburgh Hall. Brilliant dark blue by RSW from the Acorn and Oak Leaf border series. Brilliant proof...$750.00

14. 8 1/2”d blue feather edge plate with a thin ochre line on the shoulder and a funky Seal of the United States (long-winged version...see The Q (July/August - page 18). A few minute flakes on the extreme edge of the rim, otherwise perfect...$1100.00

Lacy Glass Salts

15. Unrecorded opal opaque, EE 3b eagle salt. Minor mold roughness and slight flaking to underside of one foot...$1500.00

16. Unrecorded opaque violet w/stripations, LE 1 lyre salt. Shallow flake on one foot and hint of mold roughness...$1500.00

17. Unique opaque white, BT 4 boat salt. Mold roughness and some shallow mold flaking on the interior edge of the sternboard.....$2250.00

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One thing we learned while we collected the articles and information that you see in this issue, is that our readers and our prospective writers are busy people and really can not be held to a strict schedule as to deadlines. In our first issue we listed several "Coming Attractions" that did not arrive, but we are assured are still in the works. Therefore, now and in the future, this page will list the promised articles and authors that you will be seeing sometime in a future issue.

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American Historical Views of Private Commercial Enterprises on Dark Blue Staffordshire China by Ted Gallagher

A multi-part article Encyclopedia of American, English and European Ironstone and Stoneware: Marks, Makers and Patterns by Arnold and Dorothy Kowalsky

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"Lowestoft Ceramics" by Maureen Timm

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