

A BRIEF HISTORY OF WILEMAN & SHELLEY

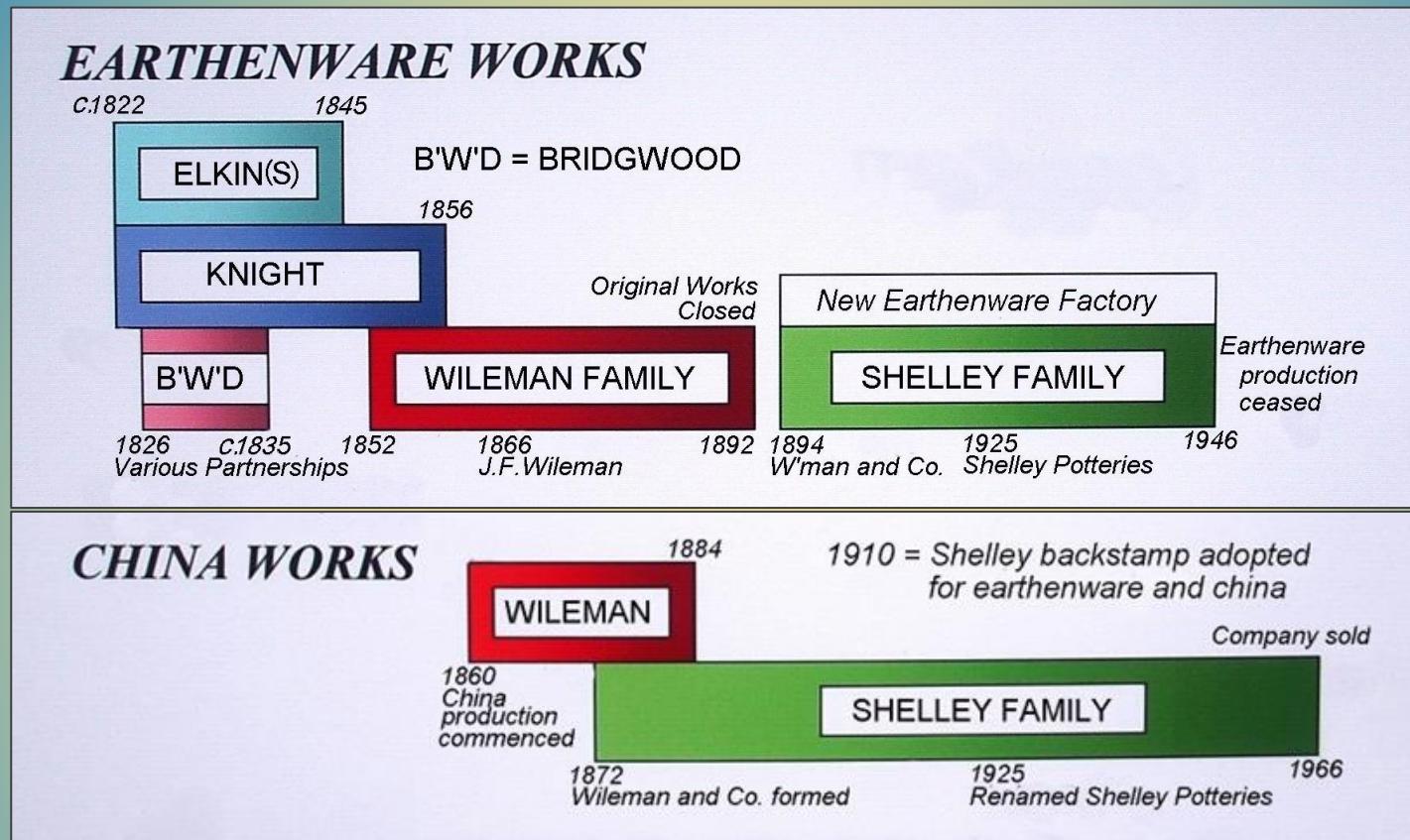


VIA EXAMPLES OF THE
MANY WARES PRODUCED

INTRODUCTION

- This presentation provides a brief history of the Wileman and Shelley companies through a limited number of initial textual charts followed by visual examples of the many, many wares they produced.
- While providing a lot of examples of wares, there are still other types not included in this presentation and it only scratches the surface of the hundreds or thousands of patterns/designs that were produced.
- Any presentation or history of Wileman and Shelley could be organized in alternative ways. This approach is just one of those.
- In general, the presentation is in approximate chronological order, though in many instances, similar types of wares made by both companies are shown on a single slide. Also, many types of wares span many decades.
- A number of the slides include the Pattern Book number of the ware, though most do not. Similarly, some of the wares are described, while others only have their image presented.
- If any of the terms used is unclear to you, please see the Glossary of Terms included on this website.

THE PROPRIETORS OF THE FOLEY POTTERIES



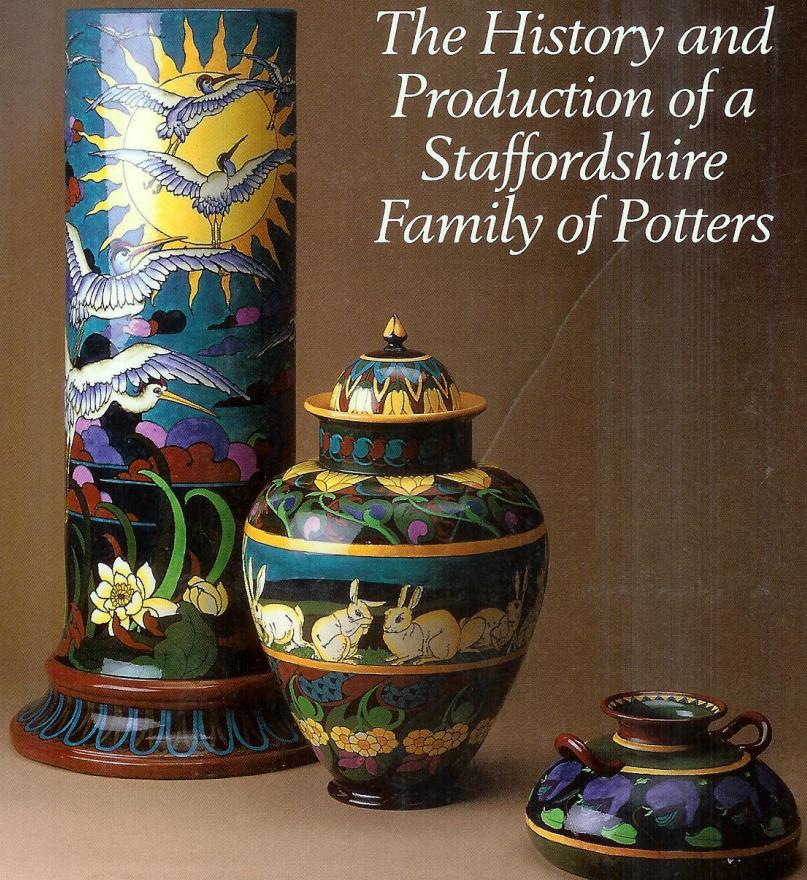
Wileman-> Henry: sons Charles J. and James F.

Shelley -> Joseph: son Percy; grandsons Norman, Vincent, Kenneth; great-grandsons Alan, Donald (sons of Vincent)

Thanks to Bruce Sandie for his research and these wonderful charts.

SHELLEY POTTERIES

*The History and
Production of a
Staffordshire
Family of Potters*



CHRIS WATKINS, WILLIAM HARVEY,
ROBERT SENFT

- **The Seminal Book
about Shelley and
Wileman**
- **First Published 1980**
- **Still Available on Used
Book Websites**
- **Highly Recommended**

THE FOLEY POTTERIES: WILEMAN & SHELLEY

Business Strengths

Highly Commercial

Highly Competitive

Customer Orientation

Proprietary Formulas

Craftsmanship

Great Art & Art Directors

Continuity



SOME EXAMPLES OF BACKSTAMPS

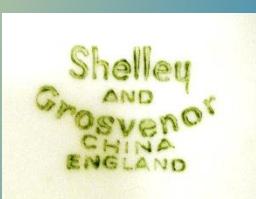
EARLY & PRE-WILEMAN



WILEMAN



SHELLEY



Some Early Proprietorships and Early Wileman



EKB Handleless C&S



Elkins – Knight Plate
“Pennsylvania”



Elkins – Knight Mug



J F Wileman Plate
“Nankin”



Wileman – Worcester Shape
Diamond Backstamp



Wileman
First Registered Plate

Early and Pre-Wileman J F Wileman Toilet Set French Chintz



Wileman

A Few of the Harder to Find Cup Shapes



Gainsborough Coffee



Stanley



Unnamed/Unidentified



Worcester – Victoria Handle



Edward



Devonshire

Wileman Some More Cup Shapes



Alexandra



Fairy



Egg



Bamboo



Antique



York

Wileman

Some Japan / Imari Patterns



Wileman

A Few Not Often Seen Tea Cup Patterns



Royal
“Acid Etched” #10521



Snowdrop
Star Design #6994



Gainsborough
George Logan Tulips # 7790



Royal Coffee
“Nantgarw” # 7810



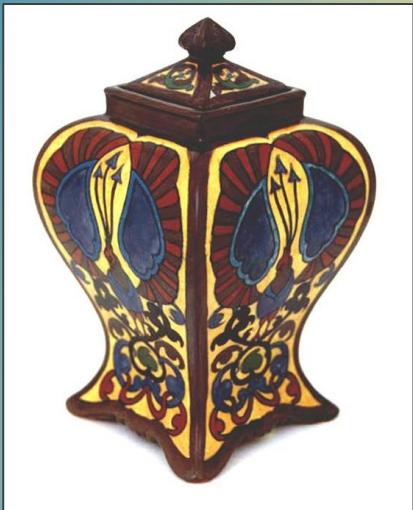
Worcester Coffee
“Acid Etched” # 8402



Daisy Coffee
Gold Sprig # 6226

Wileman

Some Tea Caddies



3092



8905



3092



3011



3580



7667



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**Wileman
Tea For One
Empire Shape
“Trailing Ivy”, Pattern # 5068**



Wileman
Tea For Two
Alexandra Shape
“Dolly Varden”, Pattern # 3745



Wileman Two of Many Cabaret Sets

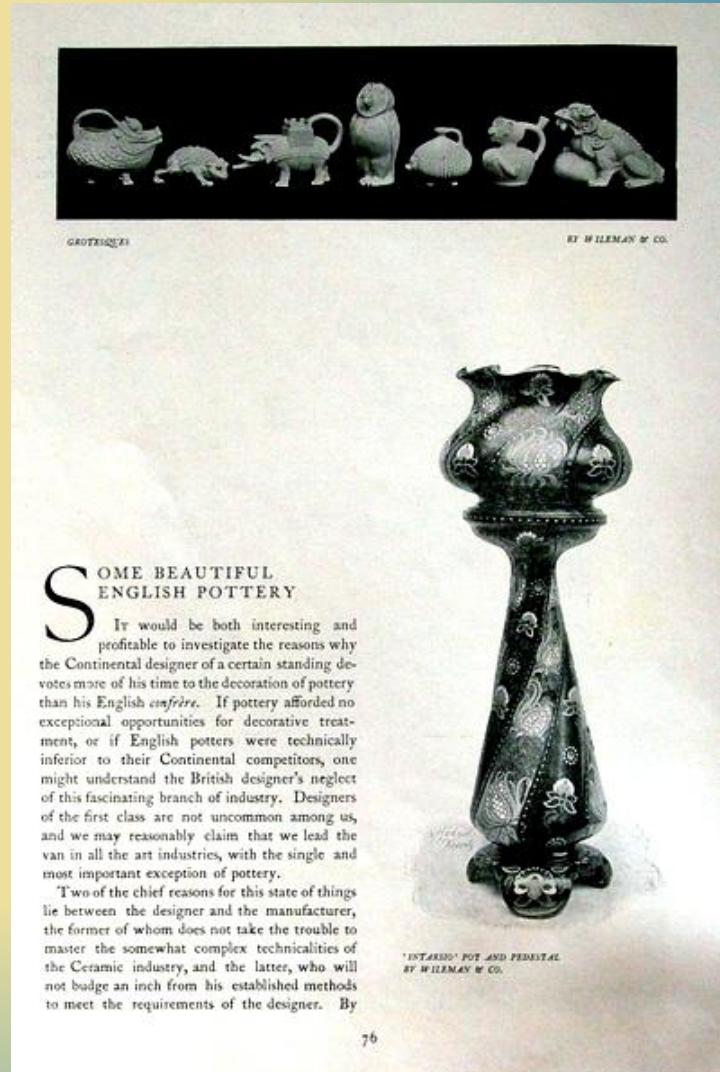
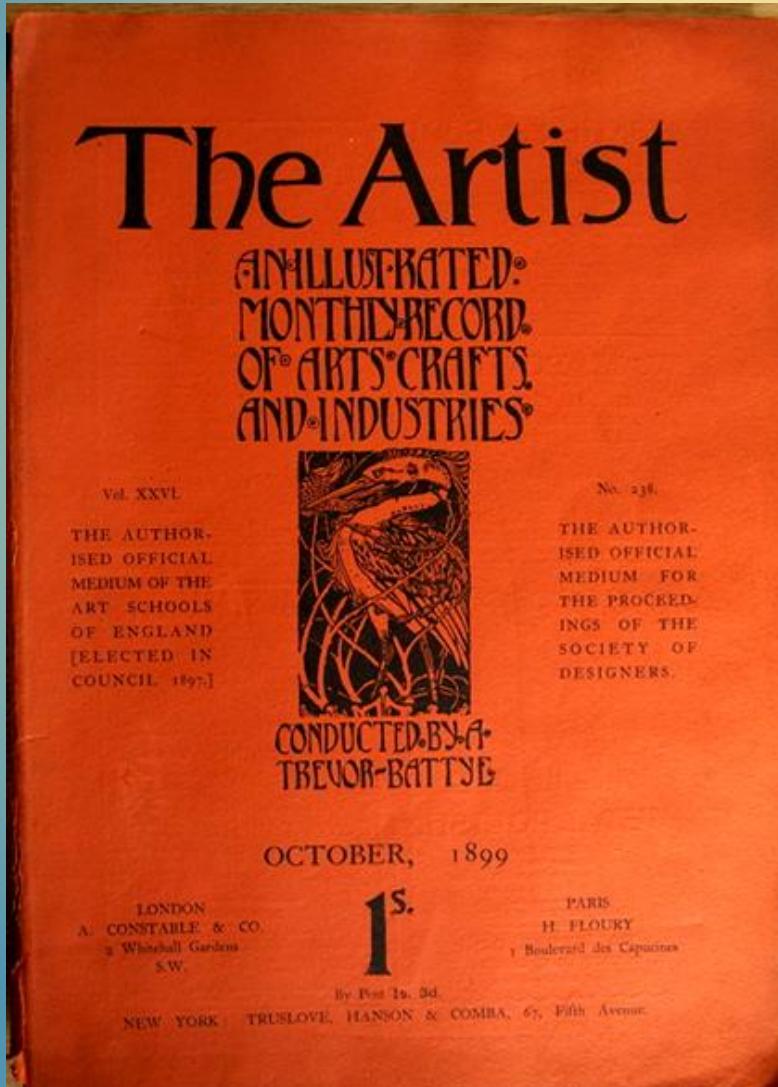


Alexandra Shape
“Japan / Imari”, Pattern # 4024



Daisy Shape
“Ivy”, Pattern # 5608

Recognition of Wileman's Art Pottery Published in 1899



Wileman “Intarsio” Pedestals & Jardinieres



Half Pedestal Geese
3189 & 3194



Stylized Flowers
3103 & 3119



Cranes
3455

Wileman

Some Intarsio



3160



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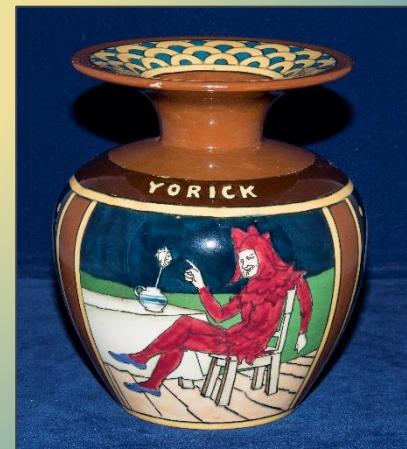
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Wileman

Intarsio Vases – Native Americans



3411



3412

Wileman

Some Intarsio Character Pots



Teapot
Paul Kruger
3246



Teapot
Winston Churchill
3593



Coffee Pot
Lady Constance Lytton
3594

Wileman Intarsio Personal Hygiene Examples



Toilet Set Ewer & Wash Bowl
Storks



Potty
Narcissus Flowers

Wileman

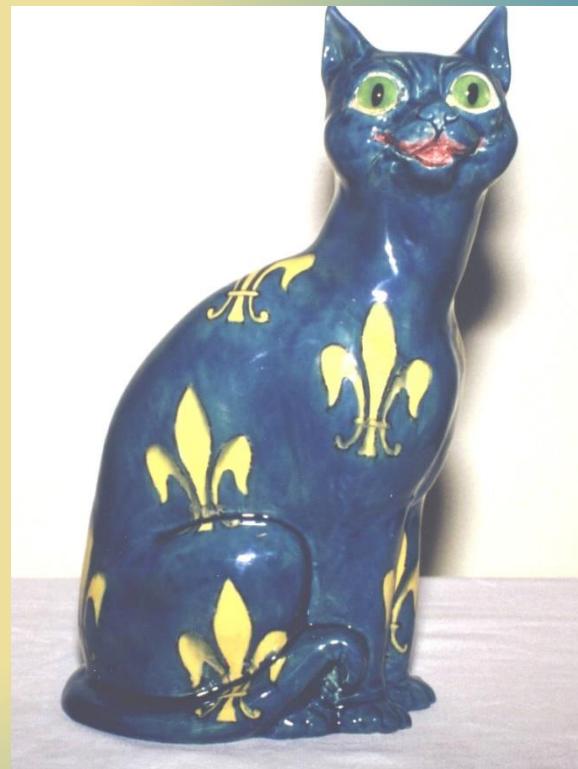
Some Intarsio Cats



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More Intarsio Examples



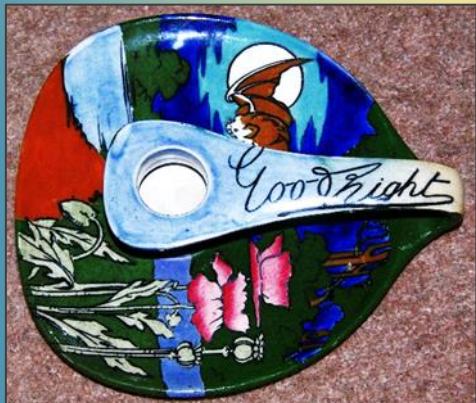
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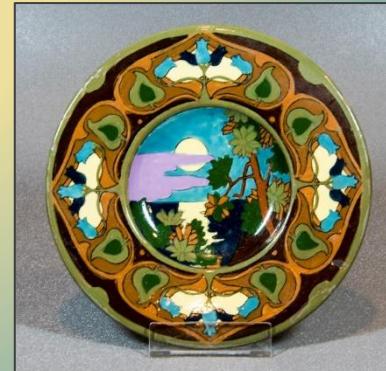
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Five “Faiience” and One “Intarsio” Grotesques



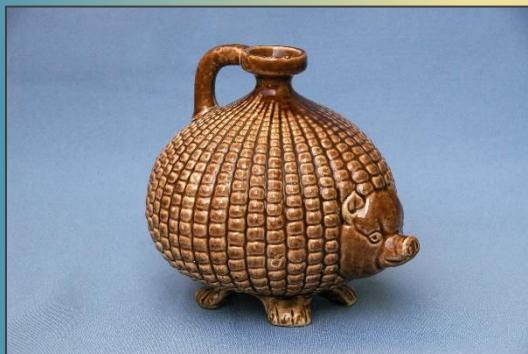
Monkey



Intarsio Elephant



Owl



Hedgehog



Dog of Pho



Pig

Wileman Faience “Primitif” Examples



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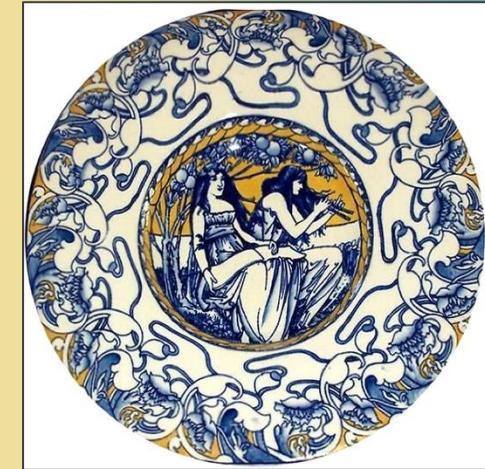
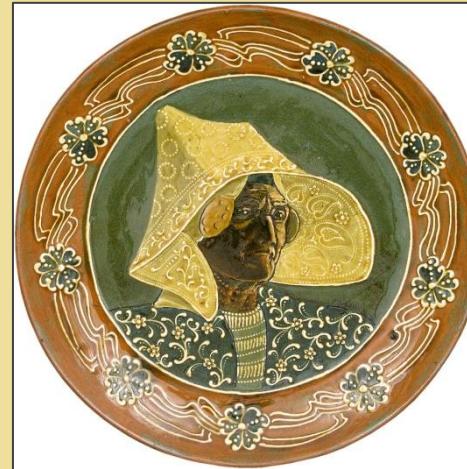
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A Few “Faience” Chargers



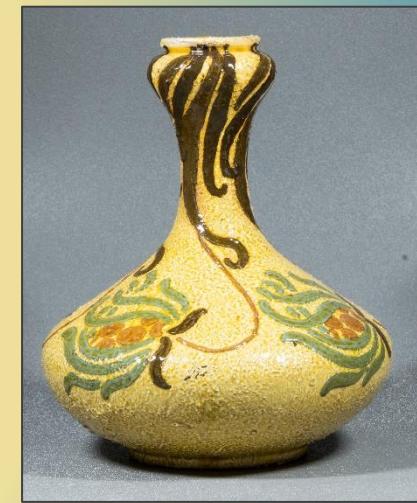
Wileman Some Other “Faience”



Old Chelsea



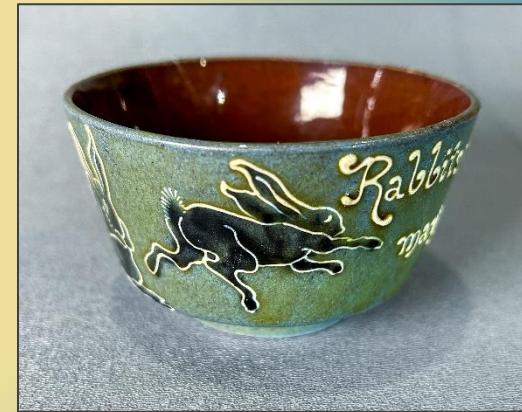
Monks



“Tube-Lined”
Vase

Wileman

Examples of “Faience” Zoo Series Wares



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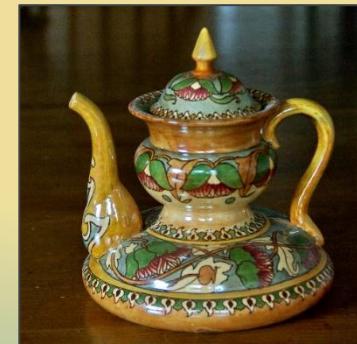
Some More Turn of the Century Art Pottery



Urbato Series 1



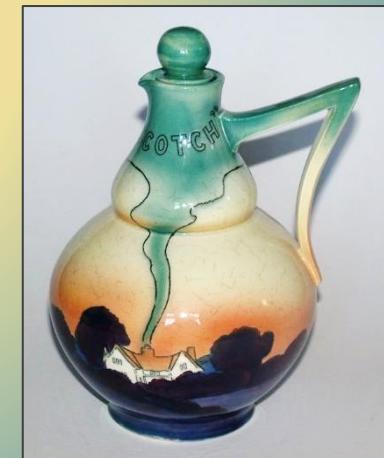
Urbato Series 2



Spano Lustra



Pastello



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Some “Practical” Art Pottery Wares



Faience Clematis
Letter / Paper Sorter



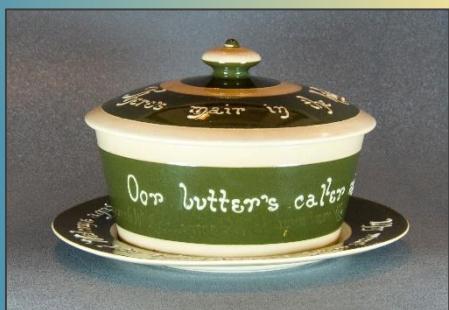
Intarsio
Ink Well & Base



Intarsio
Three Section Jardiniere



Intarsio
Biscuit Barrel



Faience
Covered Butter Dish



Intarsio
Tobacco Holder



Jardiniere
Pelican Shape



Mayer Jug

Wileman

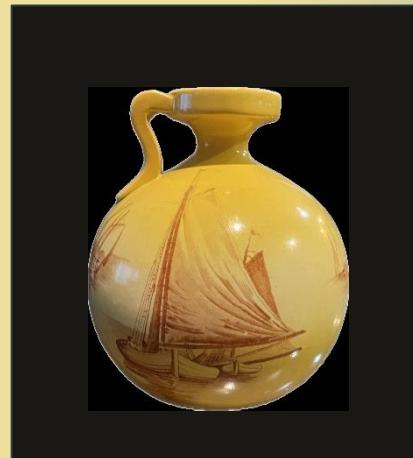
Examples of the Faience Delphic Wares



Green



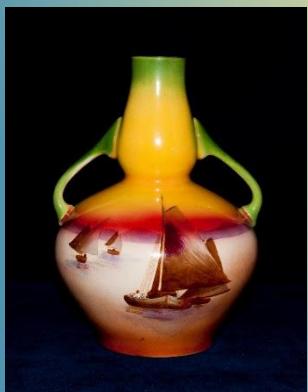
Yachting



Dawn



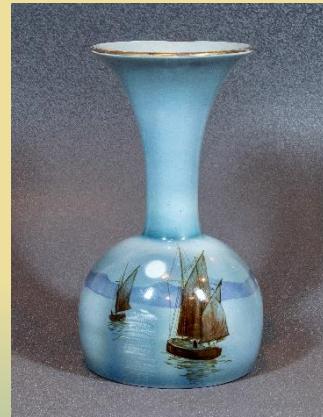
Noonday



Sunset



Moonlight



Midnight



Thunderstorm

Wileman

Some Wares with Angelic Heads



Wileman

“Imperial” Teapots

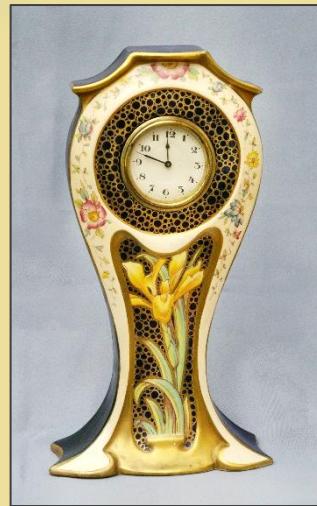


Wileman

Some “Panel of Roses” Wares



Wileman Some Clocks



Wileman

Examples of Fola Candle Lamp Bases



Crinkle Shape



Bamboo Shape

Wileman & Shelley

Rose Bowls



Wileman

Rare Dainty White Bowl with Extra Ribbon.



Wileman & Shelley

Examples of Sardine Dishes



Wileman

A Few Micklewright Cabinet Plates



Grasmere Church



Red Grouse

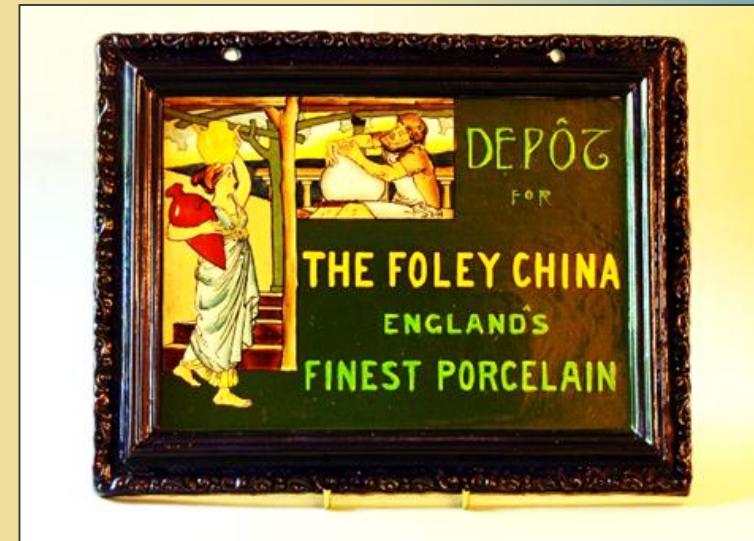


Loch Lyndon

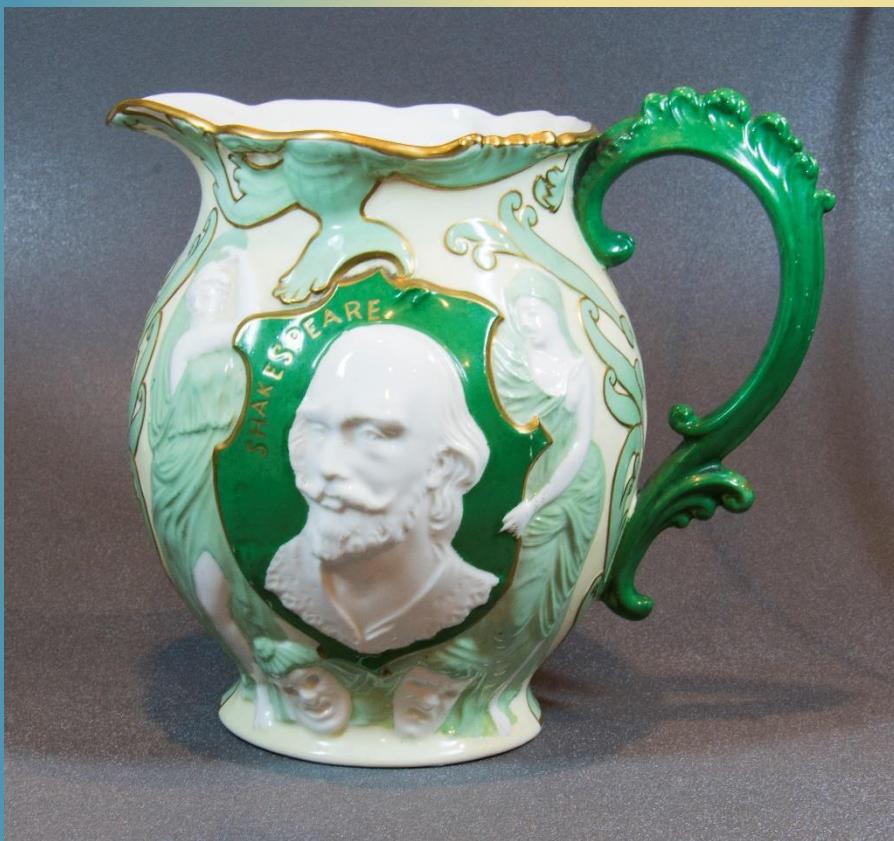
Wileman / The Foley Micklewright Fish Plate Service



Wileman Plate Powder / Advertising



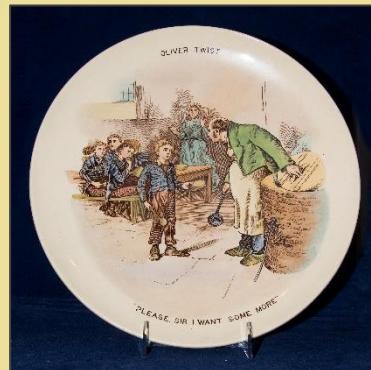
Wileman Shakespeare Water Jug



Wileman Some Queen Victoria Wares



Wileman Series: Dickens



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Series: Pilgrim Exiles / Early Canada

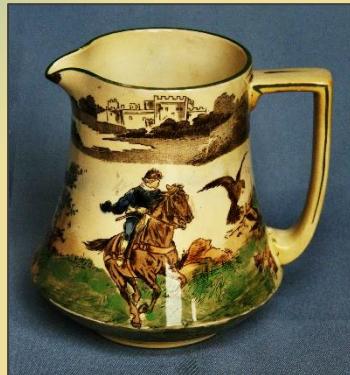


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Examples from Various Series



Fox Hunting



Falconry



Scottish
Deer Stalking



Monks Fishing



Peter Pan



Table Tennis



Motoring

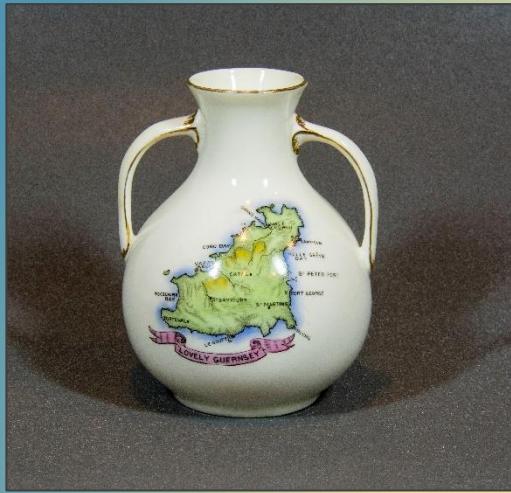


Boy Scouts

Wileman & Shelley Golf: Examples of Series & More



Wileman Map Wares Examples



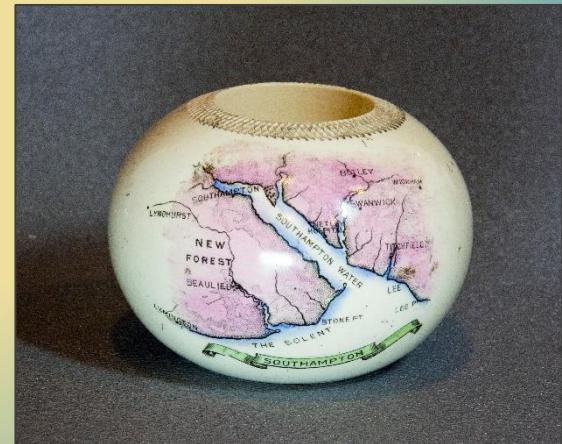
Small Vase – Lovely Guernsey



Victoria C&S - Southampton



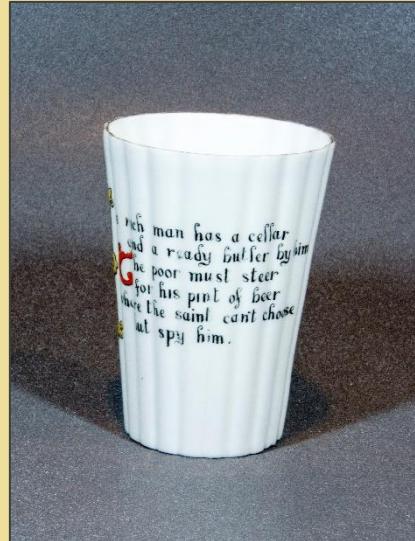
Crestware Size Hat - Ringwood



Match Holder/Striker - Southampton

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Some Wares with Initials



Wileman George and Abe Examples



Wileman

Examples of Commissioned Souvenirwares

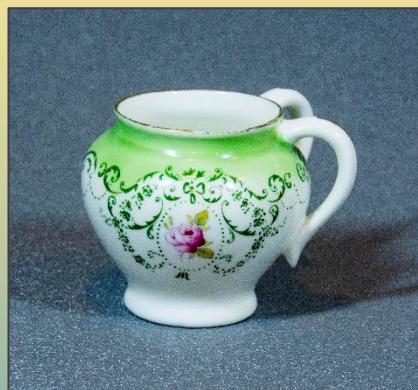


Wileman / The Foley Some of the Small Vases



Wileman / The Foley

Some of the Gems



Wileman “Toby” Jugs



Scotsman



Young England



Friar Tuck



John Bull



Irishman

Shelley (Late Foley) Jugs

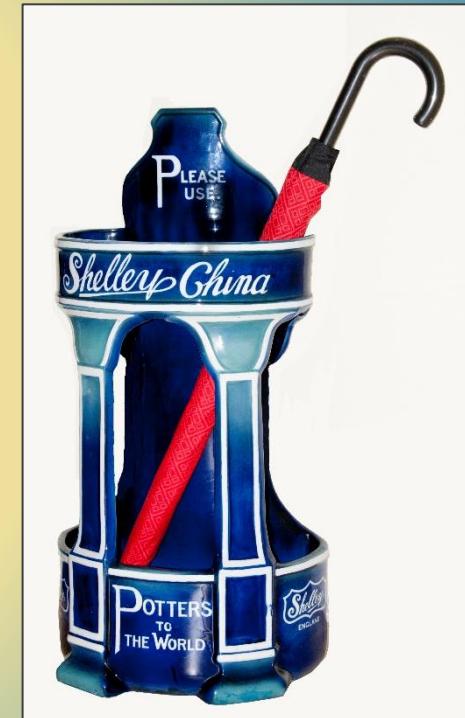


Puzzle Jug



Face Toby Jug

Wileman and Shelley Umbrella Stands



Wileman & Shelley

Examples of Candleholders

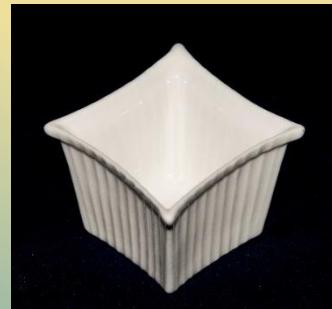


Wileman & Shelley

Some Royal Commemoratives



Wileman and Shelley Playing Card Wares



Wileman and Shelley

Some Dainty White Wares



Shelley

Some Cup Shapes



Chester



Gainsborough



Spiral



Ludlow



Henley



Ripon

Shelley

A Few More Cup Shapes



Chocolate



Dainty



Dainty Coffee
Floral Handle



Kenneth



Norman



Vincent

Shelley And a Few More Cup Shapes



Hyderabad – “Nizam”



Hyderabad – “Special”



New York Moustache Cup



Carlton – Block Handle



New York with Lid



Tulip – Earthenware

Shelley

Some Art Deco Era Cup Shapes



Vogue



Mode



Eve



Regent



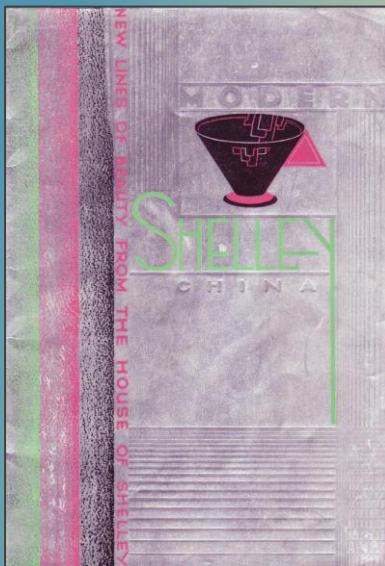
Queen Anne



Queen Anne
Floral Handle

Shelley

Some Art Deco Era Patterns



Shelley
Vogue Cups with Floral Handles
Factory Trials?



Shelley
Art Deco Era
Queen Anne Tulip Handled Duos



Shelley Art Deco Era A Few Rare Patterns



“Color Patches”



Marble



Milton “Abstract”: #11158



Oxford: “Abstract” #11158



Eve: Martian # 11867

Shelley

A Few More Patterns



Lomond: Willow



Gainsborough:
Ashbourne



Gainsborough:
Moire & Birds



Mocha: Sgraffito



Bute: Bubbles



Ripon:
Polka Dots & Gold

Wileman & Shelley

A Few Chintz



Star: Multi-Colourway



Bramble



Ratauds Floral



Jacobeanware
Black Colourway



RPFMN
“Ray Reynolds Chintz”



Jacobean

Shelley Chintz on the Queen Anne Shape



Cloisonne



Summer Glory



Marguerite



Davies



Melody



Rock Garden



Countryside



Primrose

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A Few More Chintz



Black



Swansea Lace



Blue Dragon



Cactus Sheet



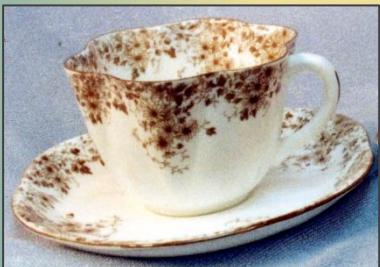
Hankar



Bailey's Paisley

Wileman & Shelley

Some of The Dainty Rainbow



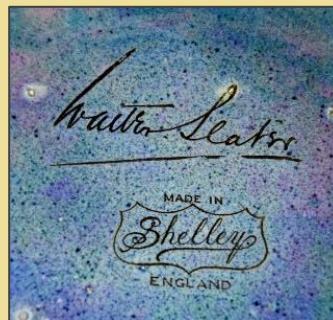
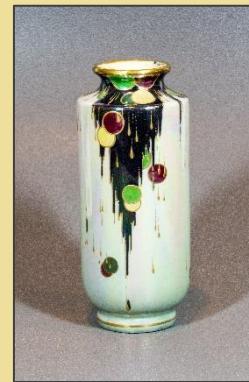
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Examples of Harmonyware / Dripware



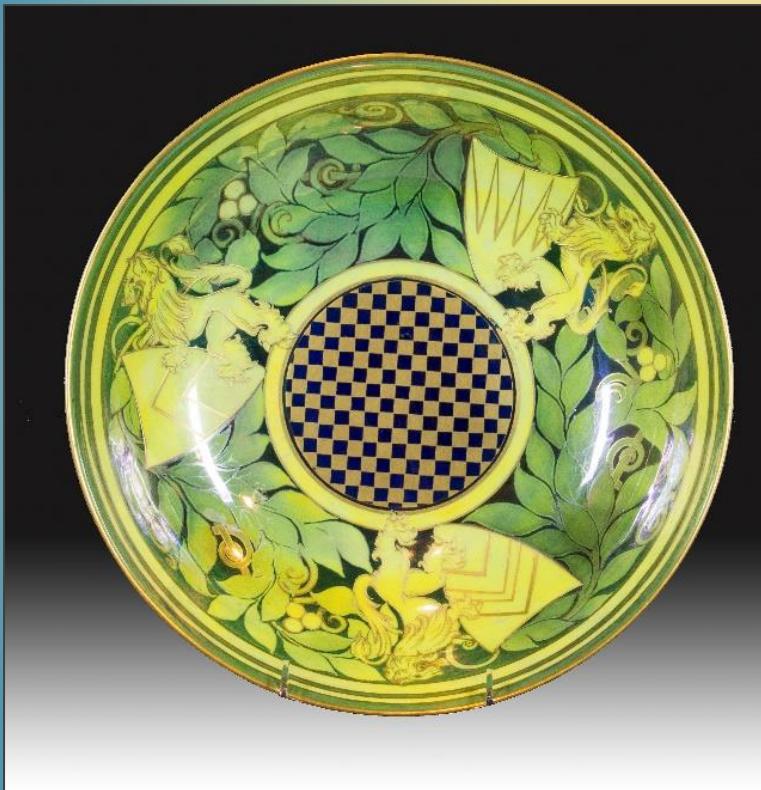
Shelley

Some Walter Slater Signed Wares



Shelley

Walter Slater Lion Bowl & Vases



Shelley

A Few Walter Slater Ginger Jars



Shelley

Eric Slater's Ladies



Woman and Fan



Window



Woman with
Parasol



Crinoline
Woman



Lute / Guitar



Woman at Desk



The Traveler



Flower Seller



Canoe



Couple on
Balustrade



Woman &
Whippets



Watering
Flowers

Shelley Some Cabinet Plates

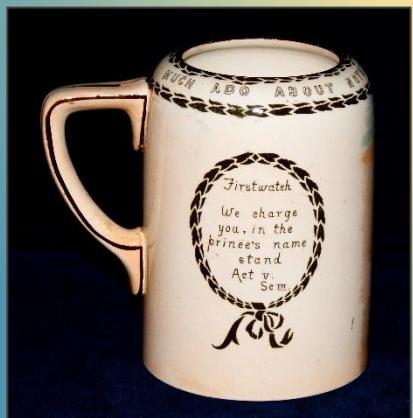
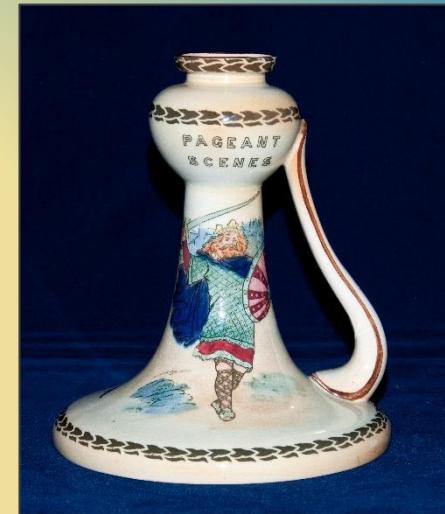
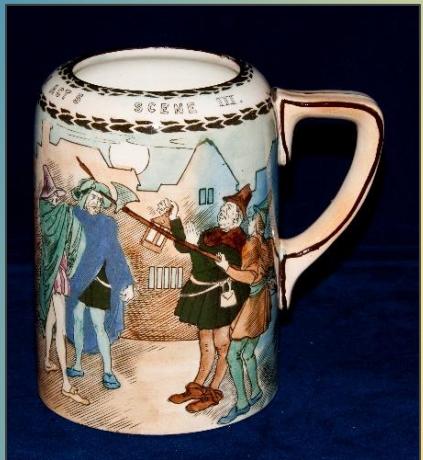


Shelley

Examples of Art Pottery



Shelley Shakespeare



Shelley Robbie Burns



Wileman / The Foley / Shelley Some Crestware



Wileman and Shelley

Some Commemoratives For English Speaking Countries



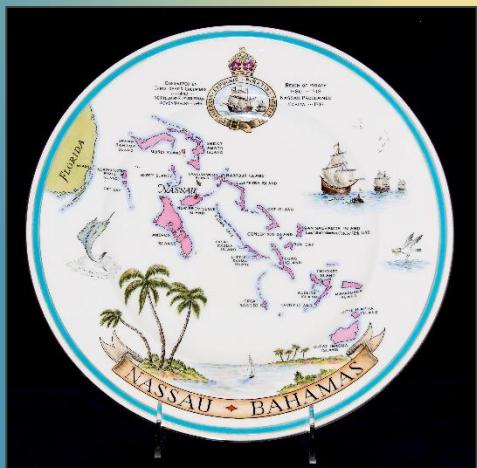
United States



Great Britain



Canada



Bahamas



Australia



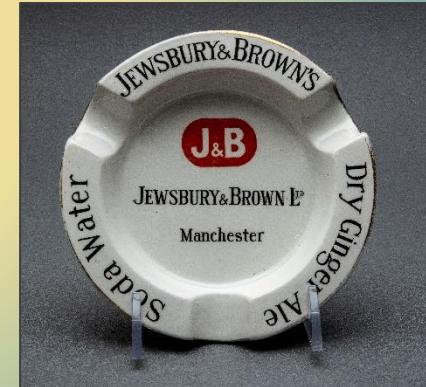
New Zealand

Examples of Shelley At War

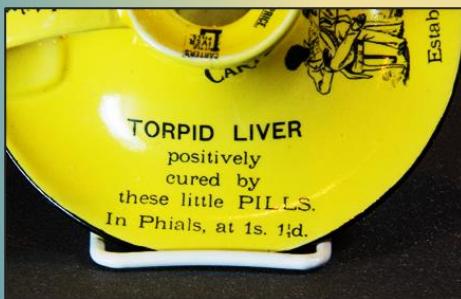


Shelley

Some Commercial Wares



Shelley Commercial Commissioned Ware Carter's Little Liver Pills Factory Trial/Sample?



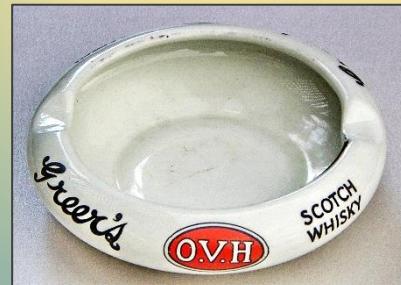
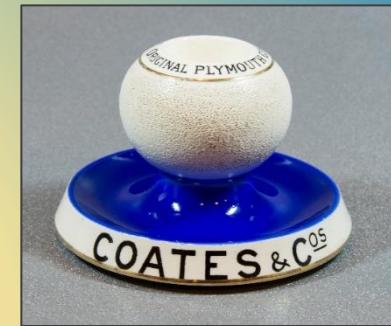
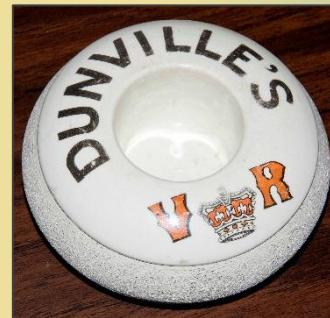
Shelley Commissioned Commercial Wares “Brewerania”



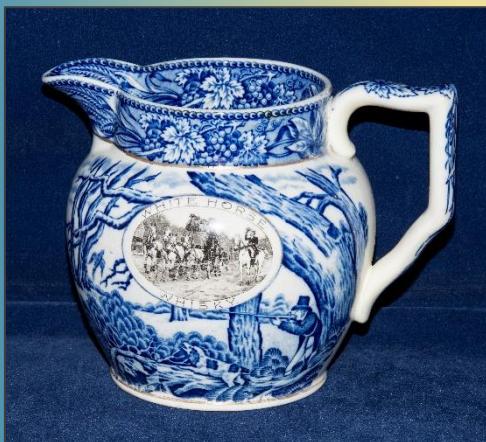
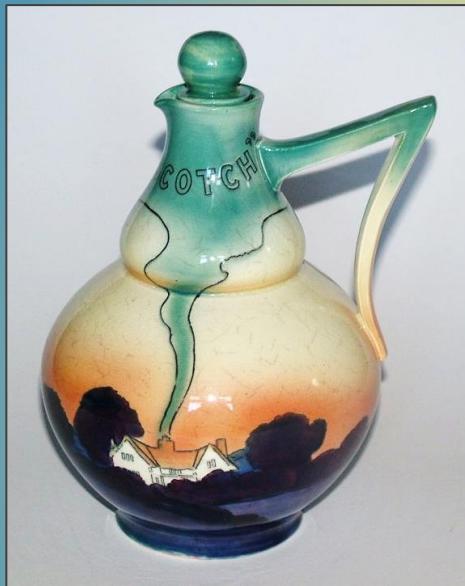
Pub Set: Water Pitcher, Ash Tray (with Matchbook Holder), Coin Tray

Shelley

More “Breweranalia”



Wileman & Shelley And More “Brewerania”



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Some Advertising Wares



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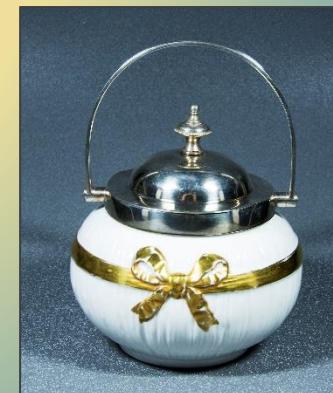
Examples of Kitchenware



Ramekins



Covered Serving Dish



Crinkle Honey Pot

Shelley More Kitchenware



Mixing/Pouring Bowl



Shortbread Baking Dish



Covered Meat Warming Dish



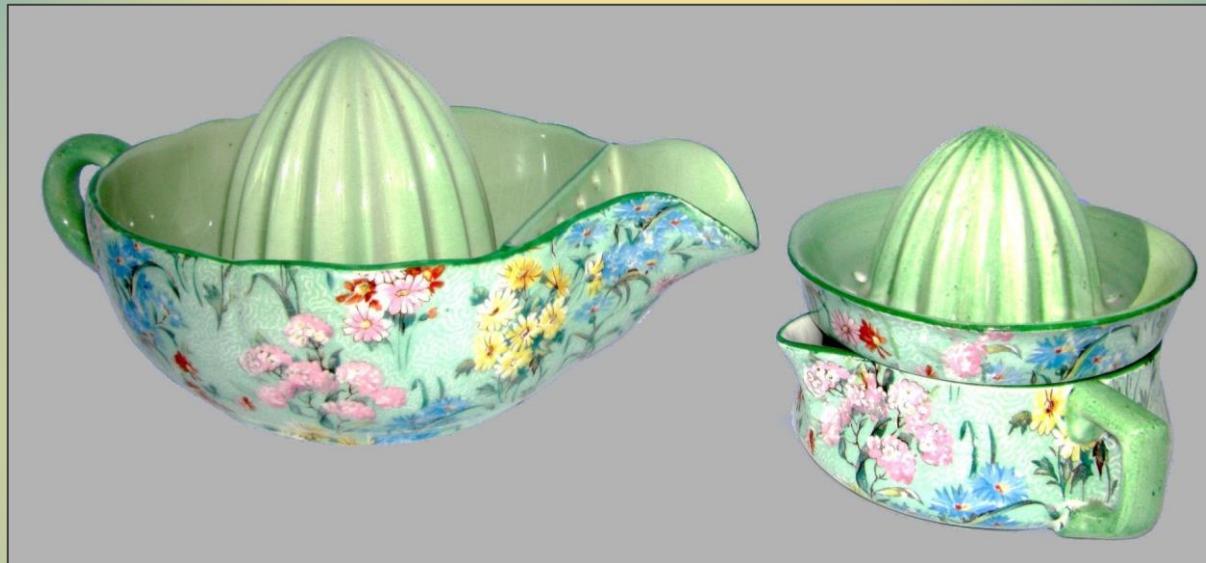
Honey Pot



Honey Pot

Shelley

Grapefruit & Lemon Juicers



Wileman & Shelley Kitchenware: A Few Jelly Moulds



Round / Fluted



Cecil



Rabbit



Ornamental

Shelley

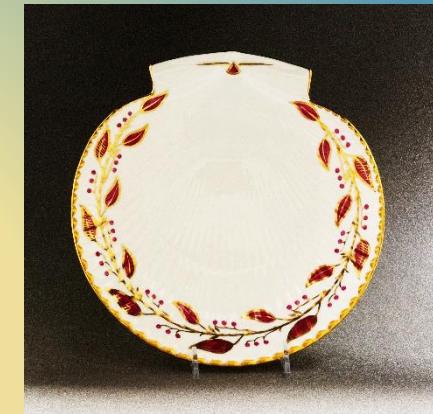
Some Tableware:



Cheese Dish



Gravy Boat – by
Veronica



Cake Plate –
Hyderabad Shape



2 Section
Serving Dish



Napkin Rings



Oyster Dish



Art Deco
Beaker

Shelley Cucumber & Tomato Dishes



Cucumber Dish
Floral Pattern
Non-Shelley Stand



Tomato Dish –
Jacobeanware

Shelley

Examples of China Sets Ads

To Grace Your Table

Shelley
ENGLISH FINE BONE CHINA

THE FINEST IN ENGLISH CHINA

"BEGONIA" . . . bright star in the brilliant array of lovely Shelley English Fine Bone China designs . . . softly colorful and elusive in white in the charming, sculptured "Dainty" shape . . . a pattern typical of Shelley art and Shelley quality . . . a pattern to make your dining more delightful, more subtly decorative.

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BON JOUR, MADAME!

It's good to be alive when the morning sunshine streams through the window, and tea appears in the daintiest of sets. Guests always appreciate the delightful laziness of tea in bed; it's a double joy when the china breathes gaiety—the right tone is set for the rest of the day.

PRICE LIST

BLUE IRIS

PATTERN No. 11561. QUEEN ANNE SHAPE

CHINA	£ s. d.	CHINA	£ s. d.
Tasse, 2 pieces	2 0 0	Dessert Sets, 9 pieces	1 4 6
" 40 "	"	" 10 "	2 13 0
Coffee Set	1 11 0		
Milk Set	1 4 6	CHINA	
Fruit Set	1 4 6		
Sandwich Set	0 16 9	Tea, 2-pcs., 12/-	1 1-pcs. 9/9
		1-pcs. 8/3	
		Teapot Stand, 4/-	
Dinner Sets, 52 pieces	3 15 8	COVERED JUG for hot water or hot milk	
" 52 "	7 2 6	or Coffee	
" 67 "	10 0 0	Sugar, 10/-	
For Second		10/4; 1-pcs. 9/3; 1-pcs. 8/-	
Dinner Sets, 32 "	3 14 3	Extra Cake or Bread and Butter Plates,	
" 61 "	8 2 6	approx. 8" square	4/-

For Composition of Sets see inside front cover

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BON JOUR, MADAME!

It's good to be alive when the morning sunshine streams through the window, and tea appears in the daintiest of sets. Guests always appreciate the delightful laziness of tea in bed; it's a double joy when the china breathes gaiety—the right tone is set for the rest of the day.

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BLUE IRIS

PATTERN No. 11561. QUEEN ANNE SHAPE

CHINA	£ s. d.	CHINA	£ s. d.
Tasse, 2 pieces	2 0 0	Dessert Sets, 9 pieces	1 4 6
" 40 "	"	" 10 "	2 13 0
Coffee Set	1 11 0		
Milk Set	1 4 6	CHINA	
Fruit Set	1 4 6		
Sandwich Set	0 16 9	Tea, 2-pcs., 12/-	1 1-pcs. 9/9
		1-pcs. 8/3	
		Teapot Stand, 4/-	
Dinner Sets, 52 pieces	3 15 8	COVERED JUG for hot water or hot milk	
" 52 "	7 2 6	or Coffee	
" 67 "	10 0 0	Sugar, 10/-	
For Second		10/4; 1-pcs. 9/3; 1-pcs. 8/-	
Dinner Sets, 32 "	3 14 3	Extra Cake or Bread and Butter Plates,	
" 61 "	8 2 6	approx. 8" square	4/-

For Composition of Sets see inside front cover

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China Set: Dainty Begonia



Shelley China Set: Queen Anne Blue Iris



Shelley China Sets on Display



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Some Vegetable/Gravy Tureens with Ladles



Queen Anne
Blue Iris # 11561

Mode
Blocks # 11792

Regent
Acacia # 12255

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A Couple of Soup Tureens



Oleander – Harebell # 13590



Queen Anne – Blue Iris # 11561

Shelley Roseberry (Shape) Dessert Set Example



Ashbourne # 8524

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A Queen Anne Dessert Set

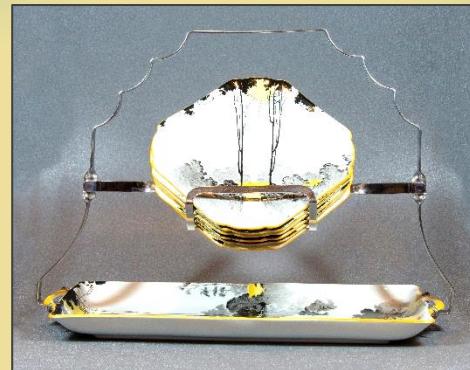


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Examples of Other Sets



Bute Bubbles
Coffee Set



Queen Anne Tall Trees
& Sunrise Sandwich Set



Unhandled w/Zarfs
Coffee Set



Avon/Bristol Cleopatra Coffee Set



Mocha Honeysuckle Set



Smoker's Table Set

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Examples of Lemonade Sets



Eve - Citrus



Dainty – Begonia # 13427

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A Couple of Pots



Dainty Chocolate



Ludlow Teapot

Shelley Patented Pots



Juggo



Safety Teapot



Auto Teapot

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Example of Place Card Holders



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Some Sweet / Nut Dishes



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Some Ashtrays



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Some Butter Pats



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Examples of Mini Cups & Saucers



Blue
Rock
Pattern

Shapes:

Westminster

Dainty

Canterbury



Rose & Trellis



Rose & Floral



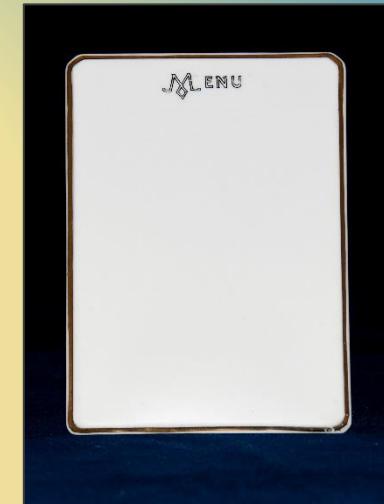
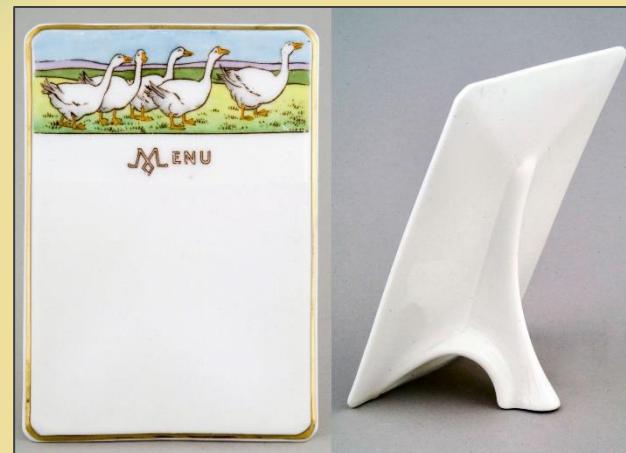
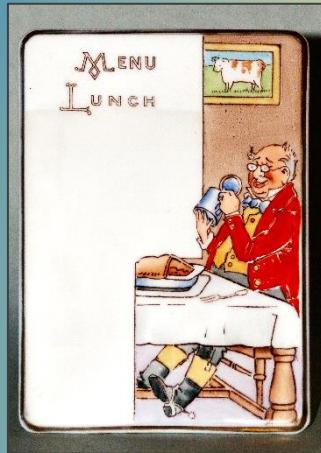
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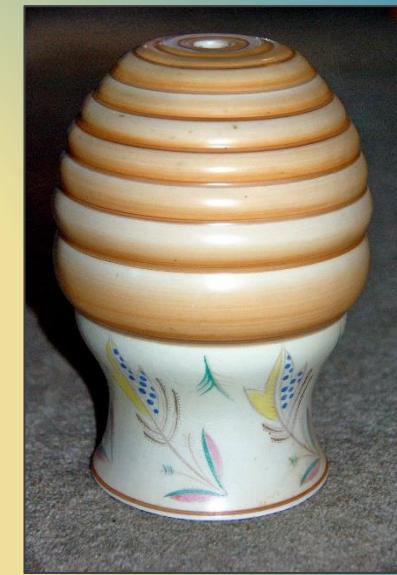
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Some Menu Stands



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Some Lamp Bases

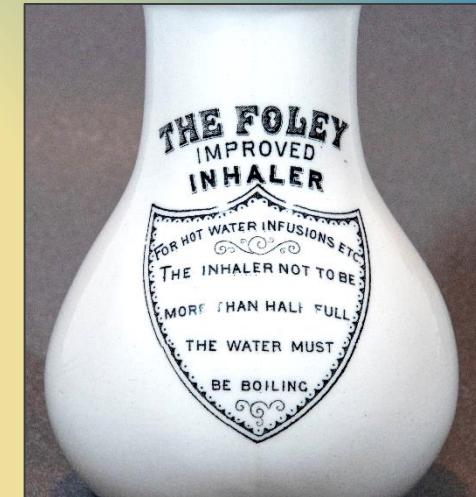


Shelley Examples of Birds



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Some Personal Health Wares



Invalid Feeders



Spitoon



Shaving Mug

Shelley Personal Health: Bedpans



Minis
Salesman's Sample?

Shelley Personal Health: Lustre Toilet Set



Shelley “Flower” Wares (similar to Carltonware)



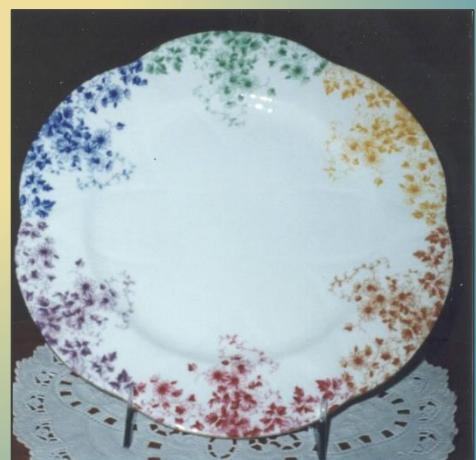
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Some Pin Dishes with Knives (or Spoons)



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Some Factory Trial Plates



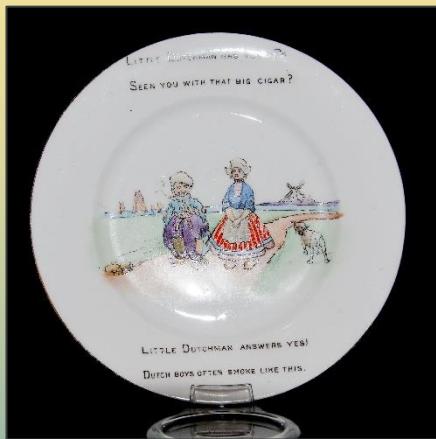
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Some Early Children's Wares



Fancy Script Series

Children at Play



Little Sadie

Little Dutchman Series

Tom the Piper's Son

Shelley Other Childrensware Examples



Sunday Afternoon



Aladdin & His Lamp



Jack & Jill



Puff – Puff - Puff



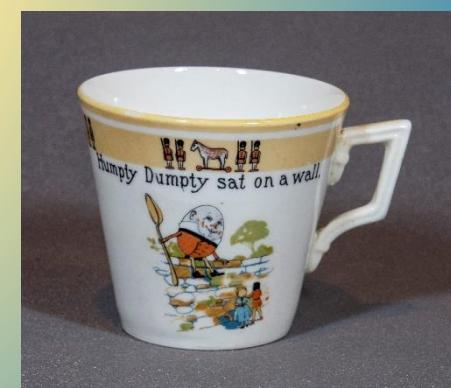
Linda Edgerton
Mary Mary



Linda Edgerton
Daffy Down Dilly



Bryta Nursery Ware w/ Castle China (USA)
Mother Goose



Humpty Dumpty

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Some Hilda Cowham Wares



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A Few Hilda Cowham Powder Bowls



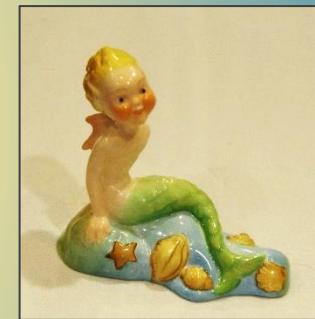
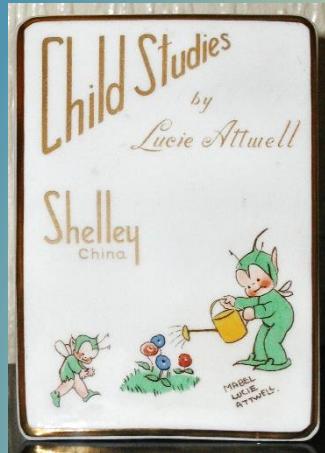
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Some of Mabel Lucie Atwell Wares

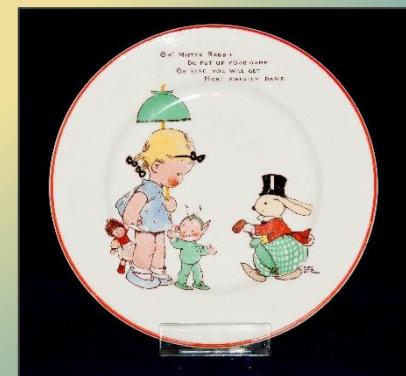


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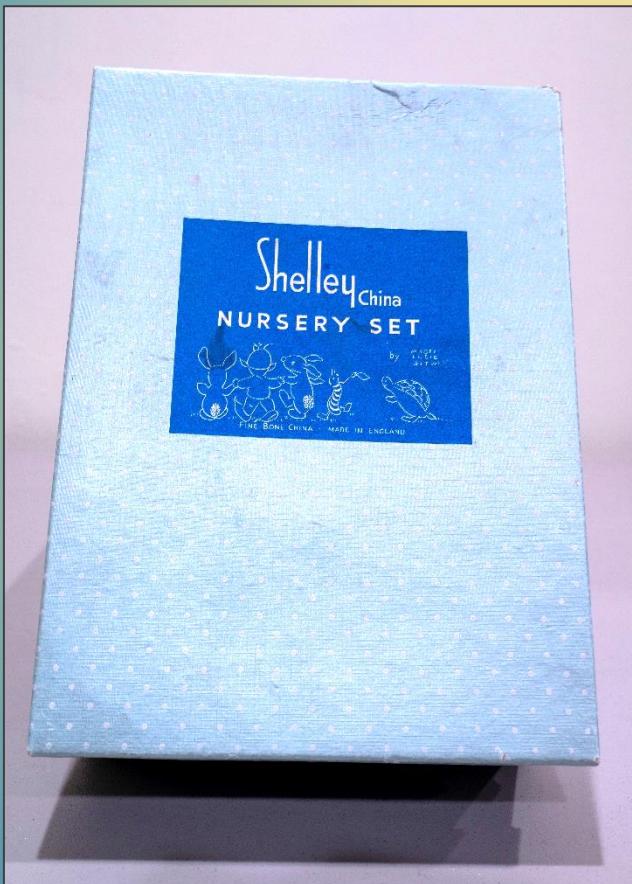
More Mabel Lucie Atwell Wares



Shelley Factory Trial Plate: Mabel Lucie Atwell



Shelley Mabel Lucie Atwell: Box Set



Shelley Children's Teasets



Mable Lucie Atwell



Hilda Cowham

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Lucy Dawson Dogs



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Examples of “Cat” Pattern Wares



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Some Other Interesting Wares



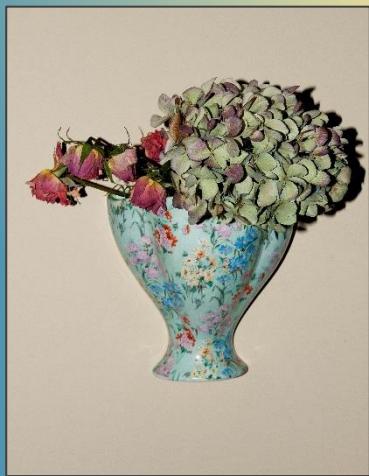
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Nairobi Fish Wares



Tankard



Wall Sconce



Vegetable Pattern Plate



Posey Ring

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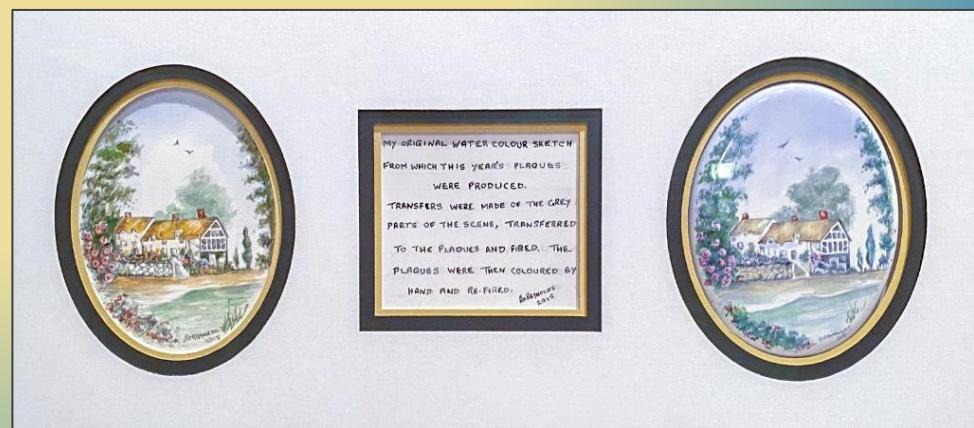


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