

A BRIEF HISTORY OF WILEMAN & SHELLEY

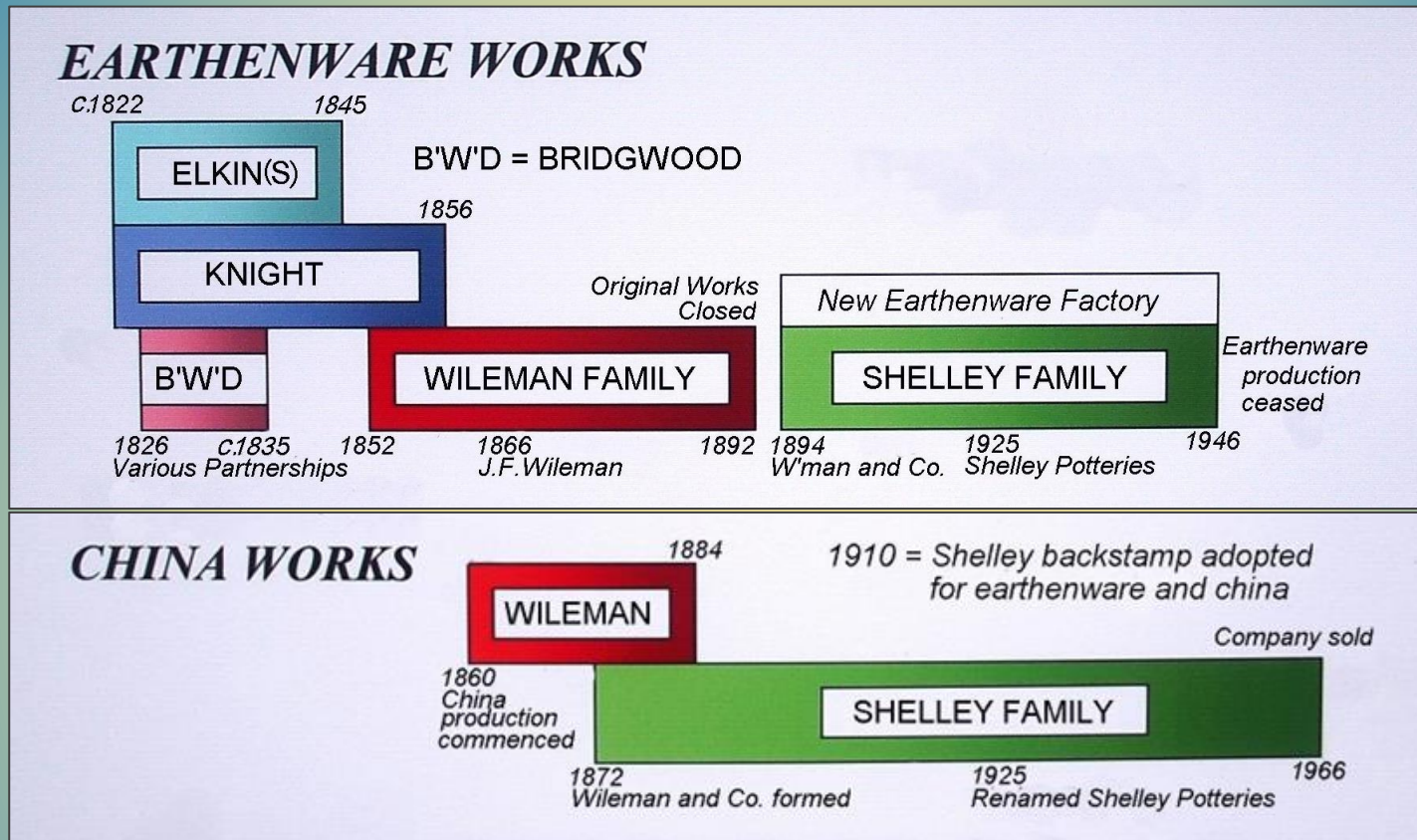


VIA EXAMPLES OF THE
MANY WARES PRODUCED

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



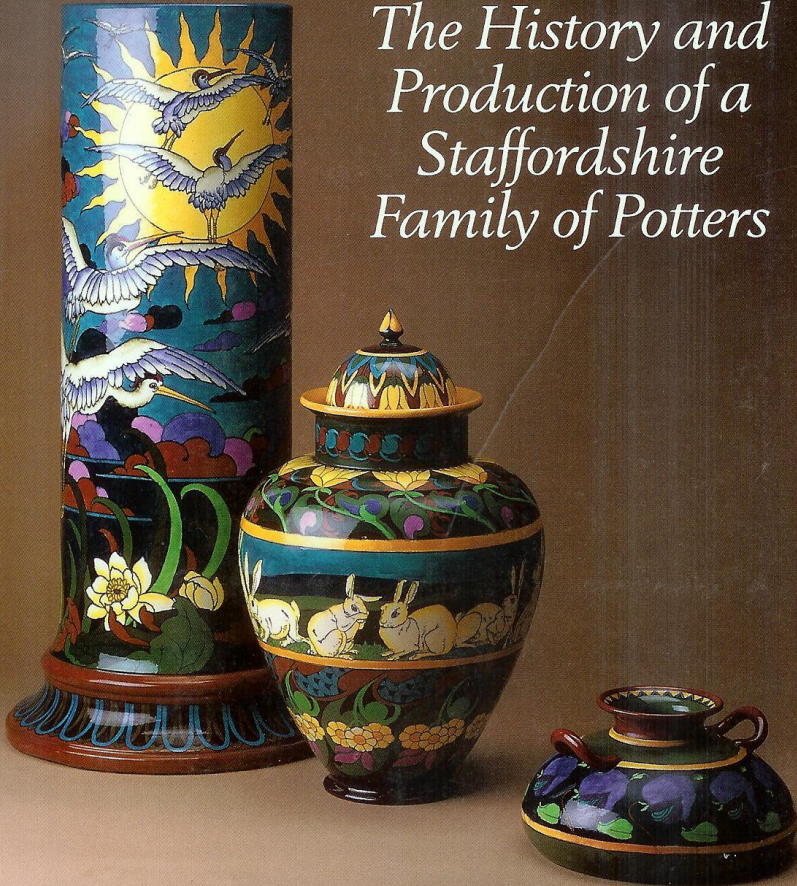
Wileman-> Henry: sons Charles J. and James F.

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

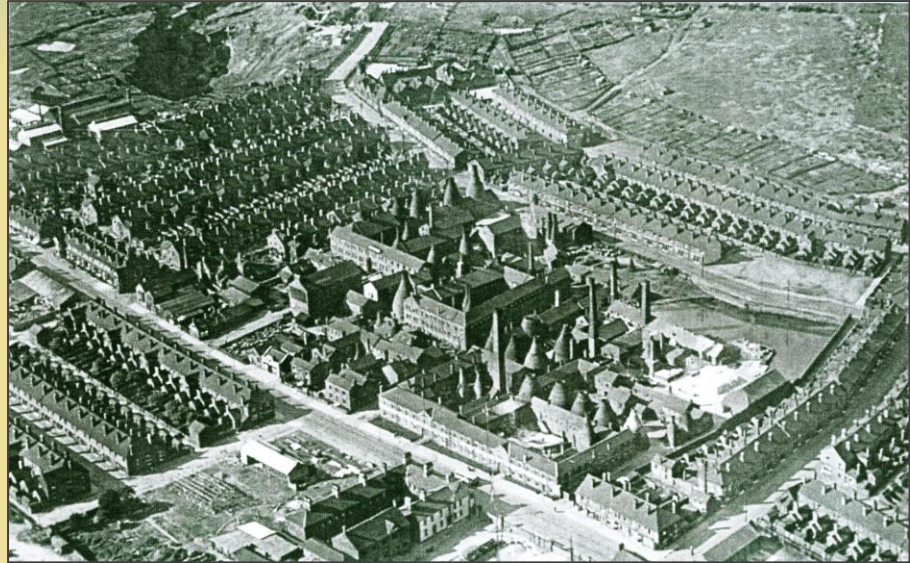
Customer Orientation

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



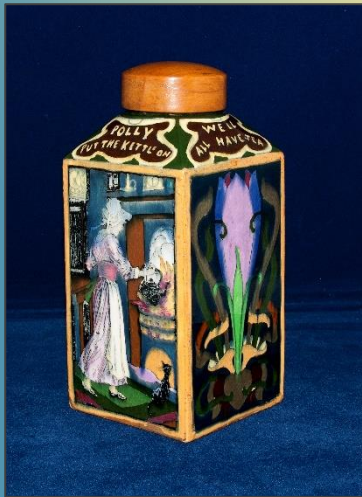
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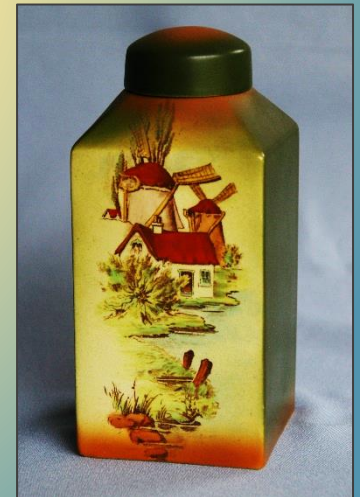
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**Wileman
Tea For One
Empire Shape
“Trailing Ivy”, Pattern # 5068**



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



Wileman

Two of Many Cabaret Sets

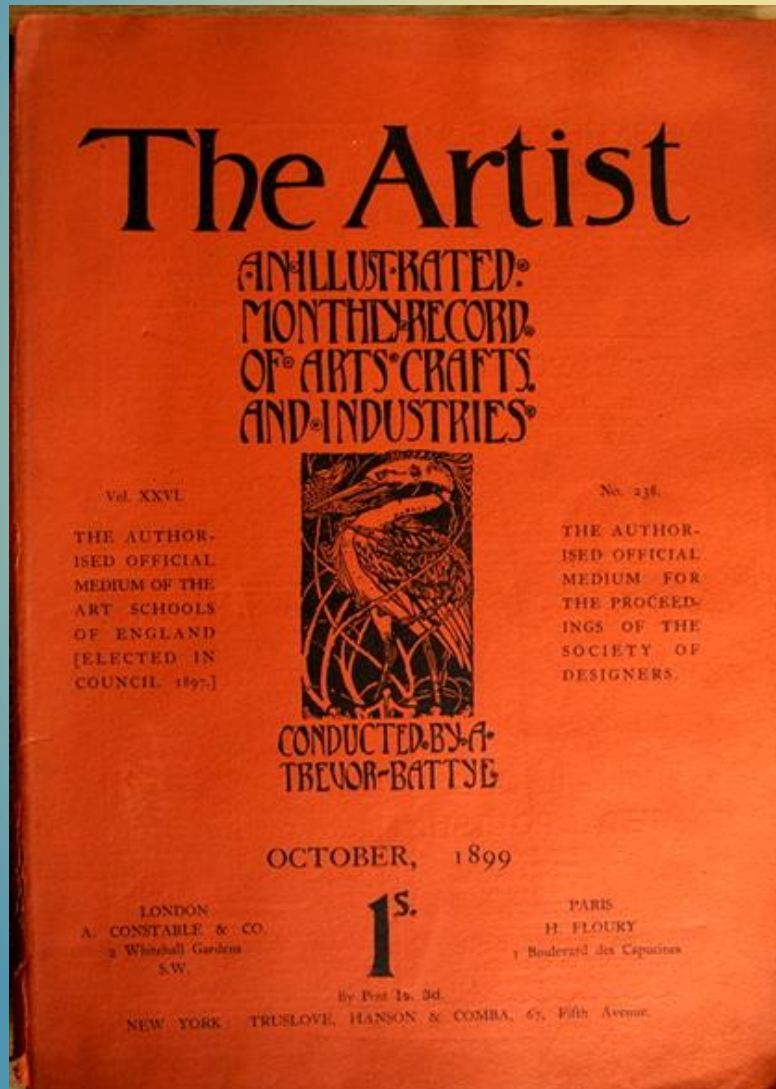


Alexandra Shape
“Japan / Imari”, Pattern # 4024



Daisy Shape
“Ivy”, Pattern # 5608

Recognition of Wileman's Art Pottery Published in 1899



GAUTHIER

BY WILEMAN & CO.

SOME BEAUTIFUL ENGLISH POTTERY

It would be both interesting and profitable to investigate the reasons why the Continental designer of a certain standing devotes more of his time to the decoration of pottery than his English *confrère*. If pottery afforded no exceptional opportunities for decorative treatment, or if English potters were technically inferior to their Continental competitors, one might understand the British designer's neglect of this fascinating branch of industry. Designers of the first class are not uncommon among us, and we may reasonably claim that we lead the van in all the art industries, with the single and most important exception of pottery.

Two of the chief reasons for this state of things lie between the designer and the manufacturer, the former of whom does not take the trouble to master the somewhat complex technicalities of the Ceramic industry, and the latter, who will not budge an inch from his established methods to meet the requirements of the designer. By

'INSTANS' POT AND PEDISTAL
BY WILEMAN & CO.

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Wileman

“Intarsio” Pedestals & Jardinieres



Half Pedestal Geese
3189 & 3194



Stylized Flowers
3103 & 3119



Cranes
3455

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Some Intarsio



3160



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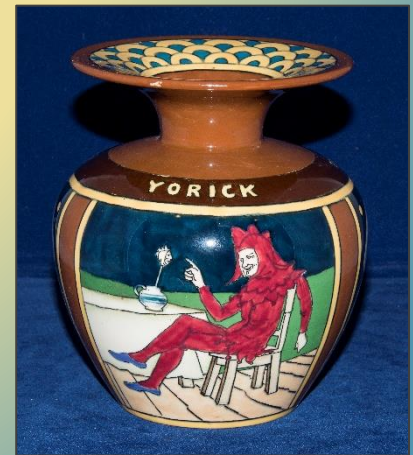
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Intarsio Vases – Native Americans



3411



3412

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Some Intarsio Character Pots



Teapot
Paul Kruger
3246



Teapot
Winston Churchill
3593



Coffee Pot
Lady Constance Lytton
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Intarsio Personal Hygiene Examples



Toilet Set Ewer & Wash Bowl
Storks



Potty
Narcissus Flowers

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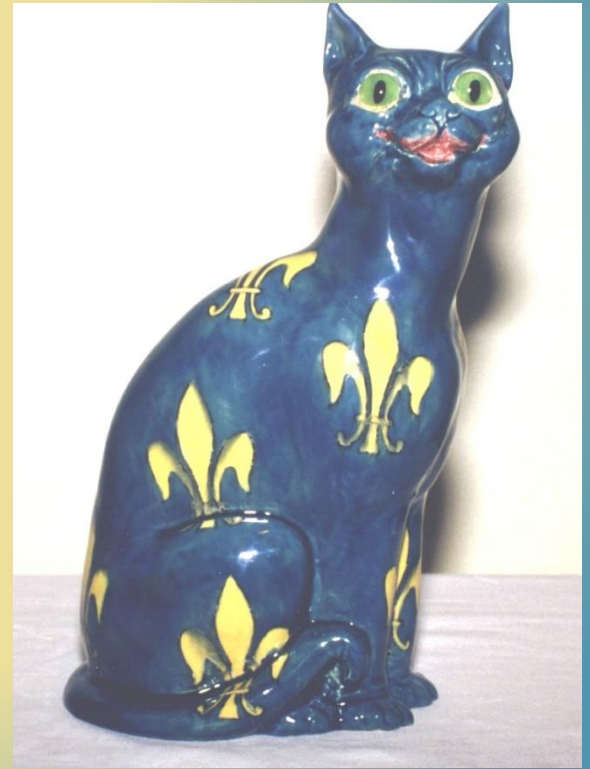
Some Intarsio Cats



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More Intarsio Examples



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3606



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Five “Faience” and One “Intarsio” Grotesques



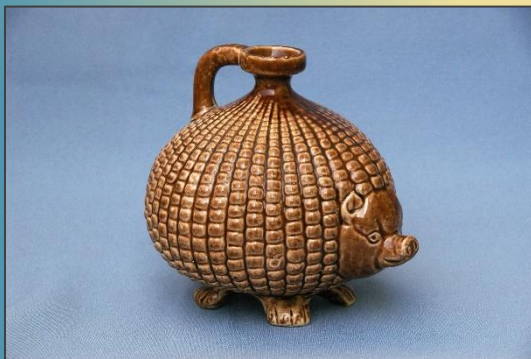
Monkey



Intarsio Elephant



Owl



Hedgehog



Dog of Pho



Pig

Wileman Faience “Primitif” Examples



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A Few “Faience” Chargers



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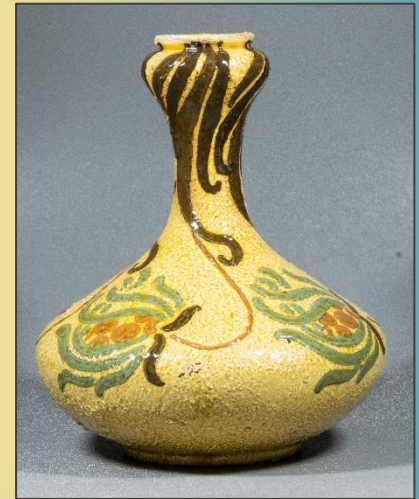
Some Other “Faience”



Old Chelsea



Monks



“Tube-Lined”
Vase

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Examples of “Faience” Zoo Series Wares

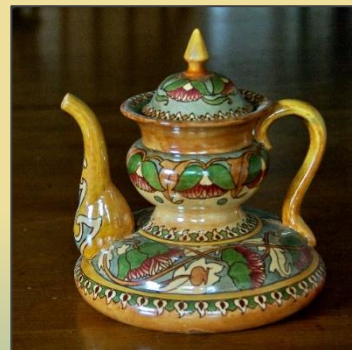


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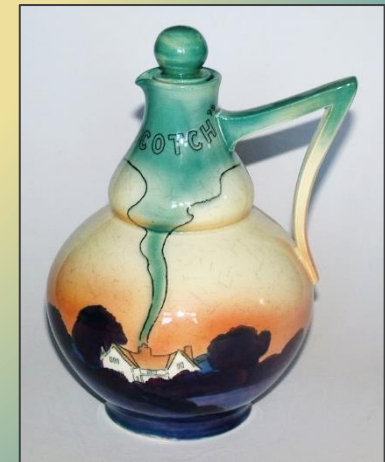
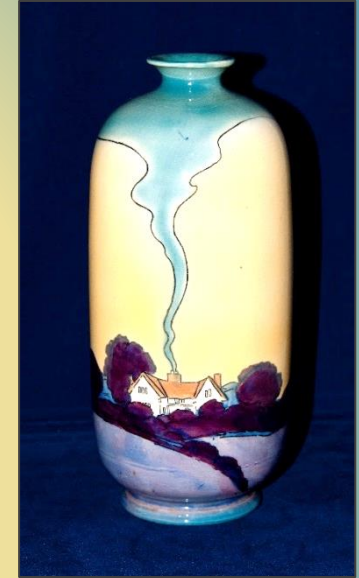
Some More Turn of the Century Art Pottery



Urbato Series 1



Spano Lustra



Pastello



Urbato Series 2

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Some “Practical” Art Pottery Wares



Faience Clematis
Letter / Paper Sorter



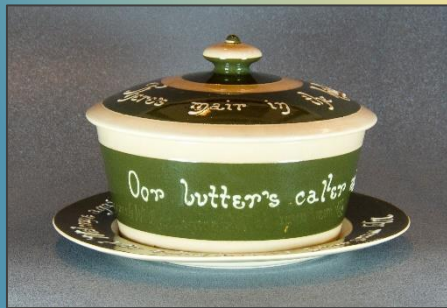
Intarsio
Ink Well & Base



Intarsio
Three Section Jardiniere



Intarsio
Biscuit Barrel



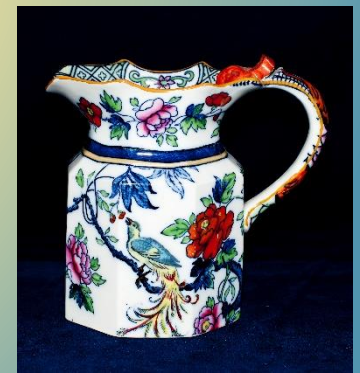
Faience
Covered Butter Dish



Intarsio
Tobacco Holder



Jardiniere
Pelican Shape



Mayer Jug

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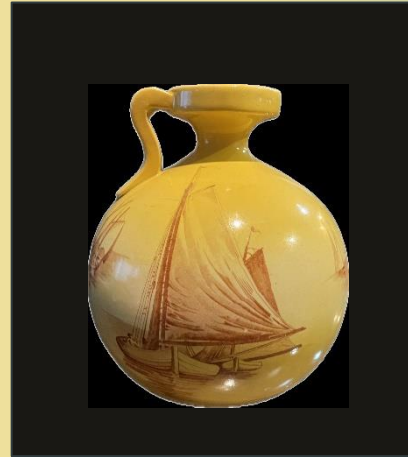
Examples of the Faience Delphic Wares



Green



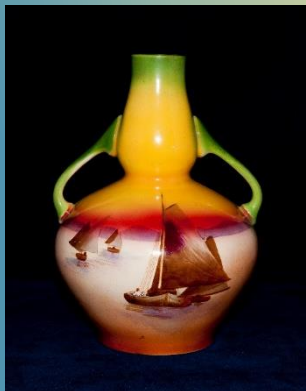
Yachting



Dawn



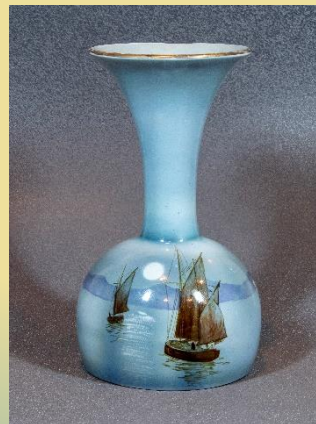
Noonday



Sunset



Moonlight



Midnight



Thunderstorm

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Some Wares with Angelic Heads



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“Imperial” Teapots



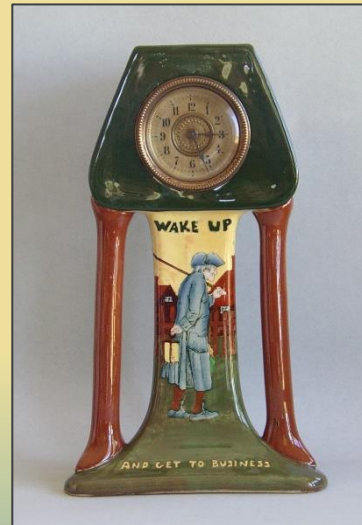
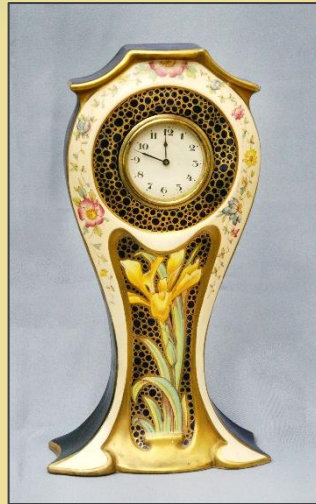
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Some “Panel of Roses” Wares



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Some Clocks



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Examples of Fola Candle Lamp Bases



Crinkle Shape



Bamboo Shape

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Rose Bowls



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Rare Dainty White Bowl with Extra Ribbon.



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Examples of Sardine Dishes



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A Few Micklewright Cabinet Plates



Grasmere Church



Red Grouse



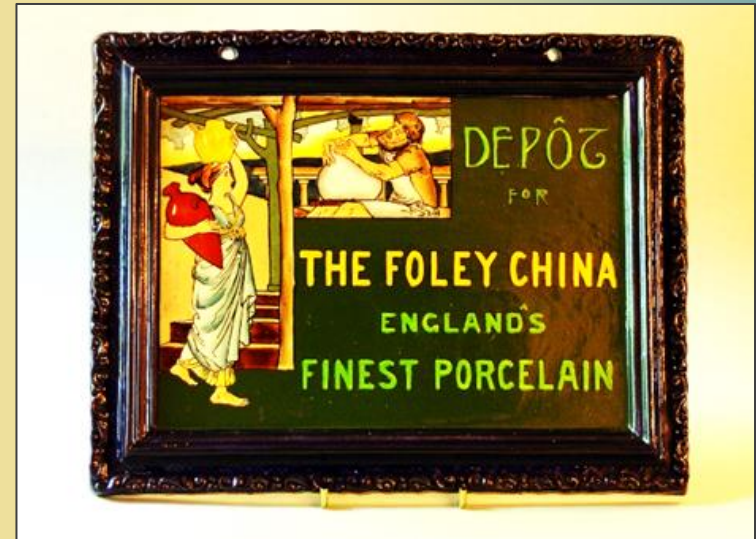
Loch Lyndon

Wileman / The Foley Micklewright Fish Plate Service

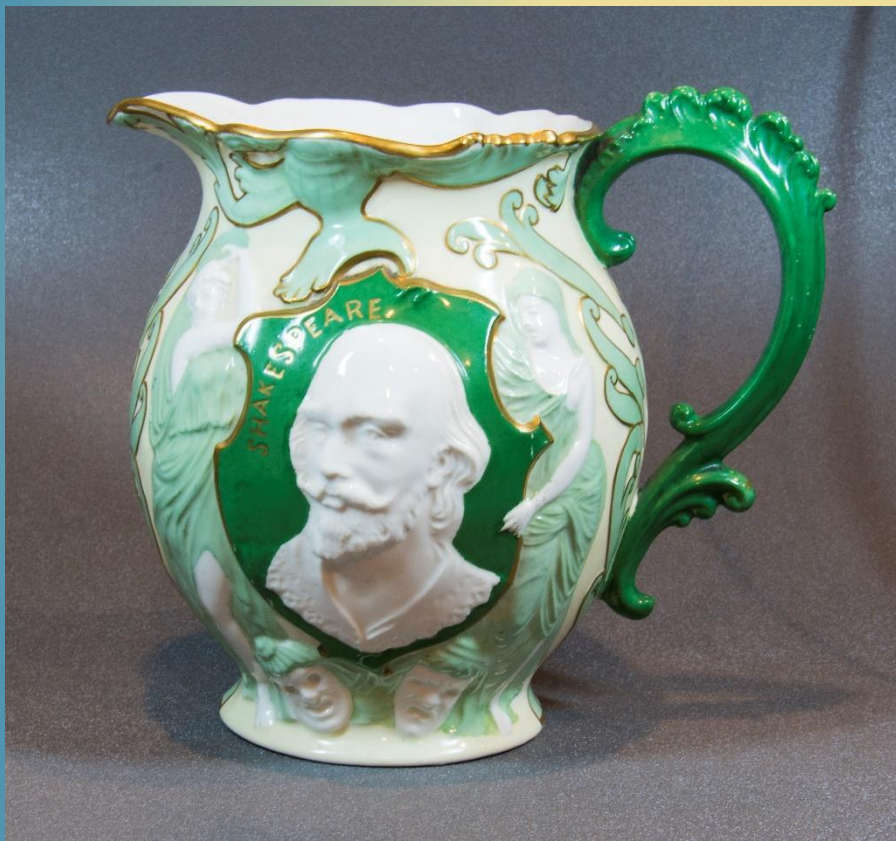


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Plate Powder / Advertising



Wileman Shakespeare Water Jug



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Some Queen Victoria Wares



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Series: Dickens



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Series: Pilgrim Exiles / Early Canada



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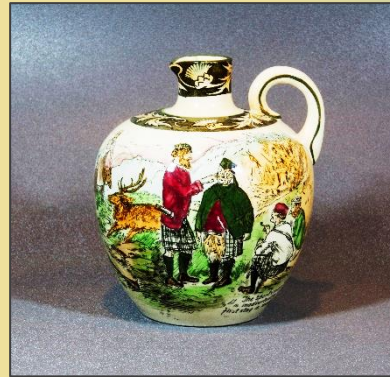
Examples from Various Series



Fox Hunting



Falconry



Scottish
Deer Stalking



Monks Fishing



Peter Pan



Table Tennis



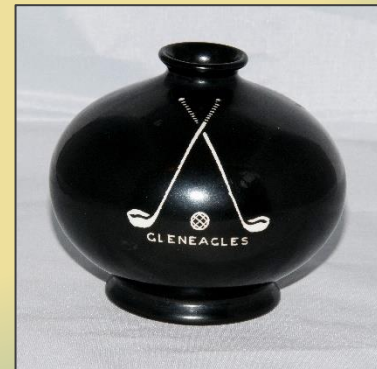
Motoring



Boy Scouts

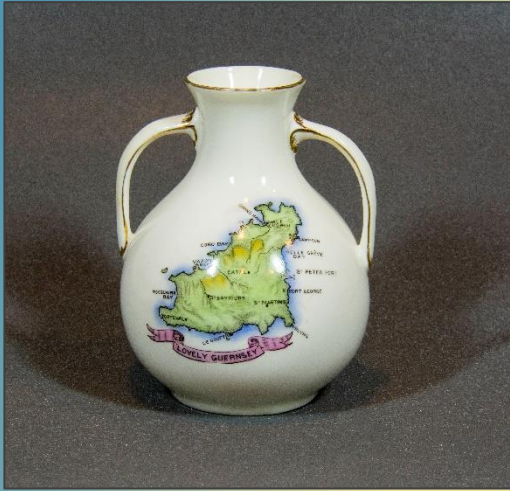
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Golf: Examples of Series & More



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Map Wares Examples



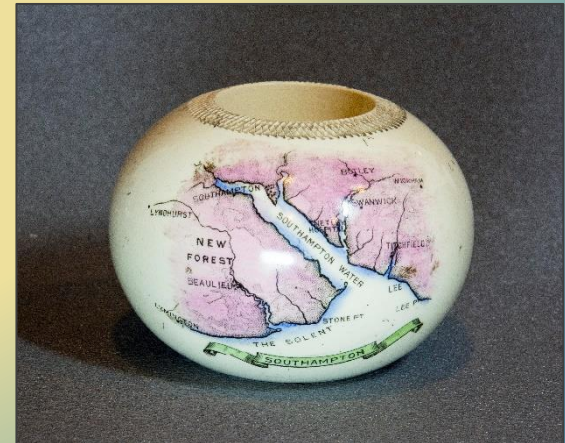
Small Vase – Lovely Guernsey



Victoria C&S - Southampton



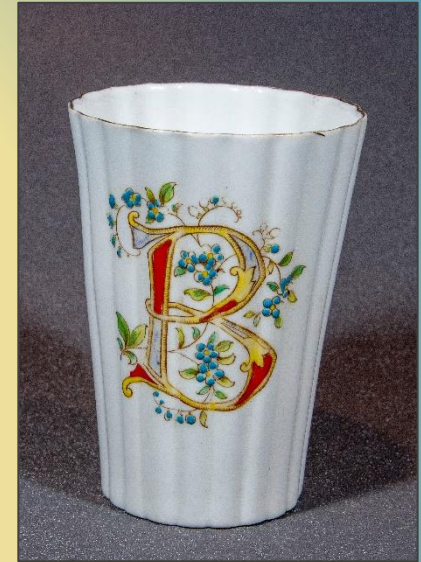
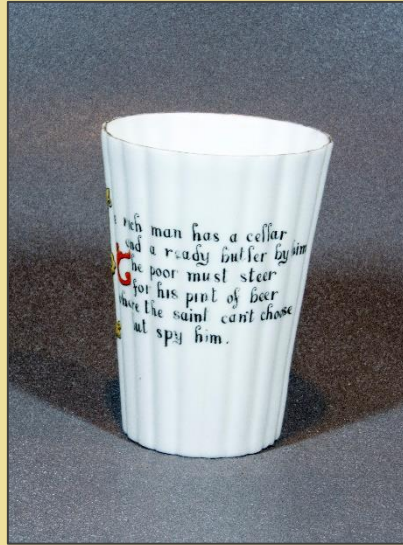
Crestware Size Hat - Ringwood



Match Holder/Striker - Southampton

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Some Wares with Initials



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George and Abe Examples



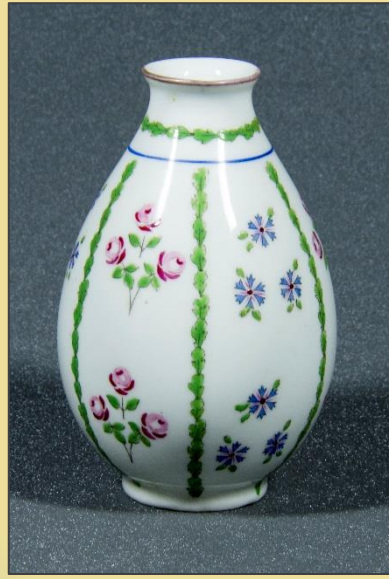
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Examples of Commissioned Souvenirwares



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



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Some Cup Shapes



Chester



Gainsborough



Spiral



Ludlow



Henley



Ripon

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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

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Some Art Deco Era Cup Shapes



Vogue



Mode



Eve



Regent



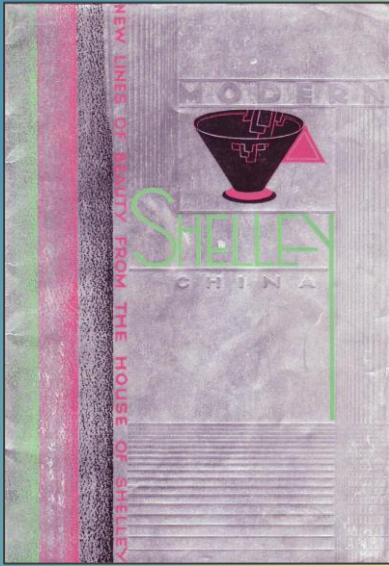
Queen Anne



Queen Anne
Floral Handle

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Some Art Deco Era Patterns



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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

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A Few More Patterns



Lomond: Willow



Gainsborough:
Ashbourne



Gainsborough:
Moire & Birds



Mocha: Sgraffito



Bute: Bubbles



Ripon:
Polka Dots & Gold

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A Few Chintz



Star: Multi-Colourway



Bramble



Ratauds Floral



Jacobeanware
Black Colourway



RPFMN
"Ray Reynolds Chintz"



Jacobean

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Chintz on the Queen Anne Shape



Cloisonne



Summer Glory



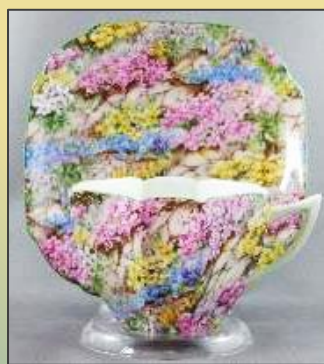
Marguerite



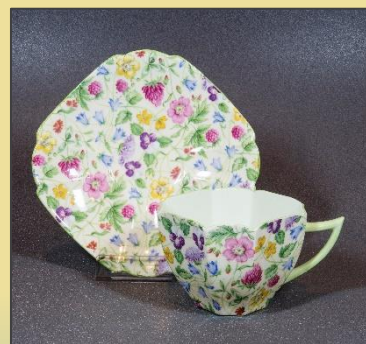
Davies



Melody



Rock Garden



Countryside



Primrose

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A Few More Chintz



Black



Swansea Lace



Blue Dragon



Cactus Sheet



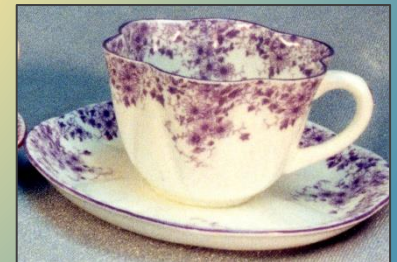
Hankar



Bailey's Paisley

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Some of The Dainty Rainbow



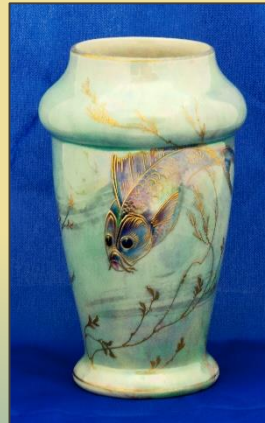
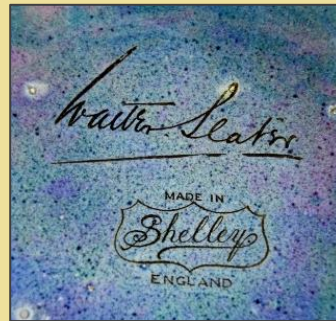
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Examples of Harmonyware / Dripware



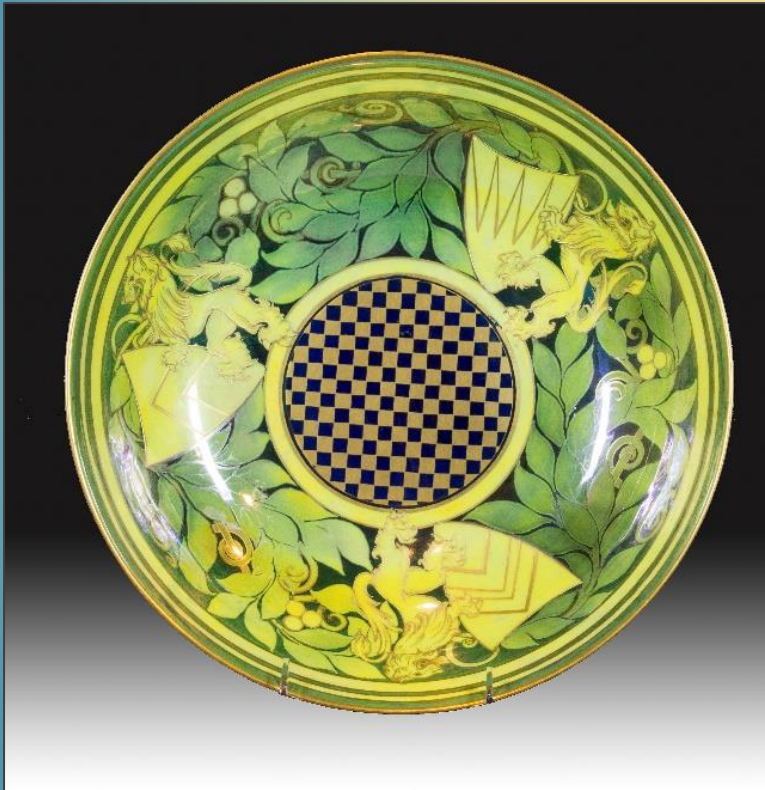
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Some Walter Slater Signed Wares



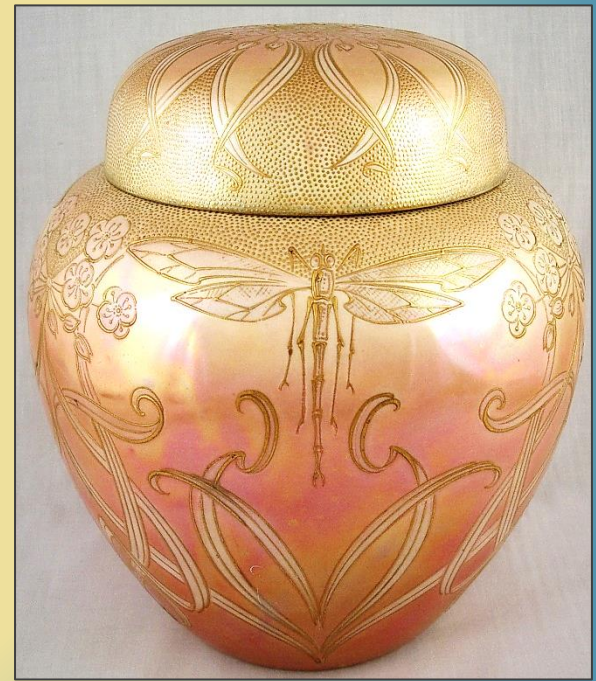
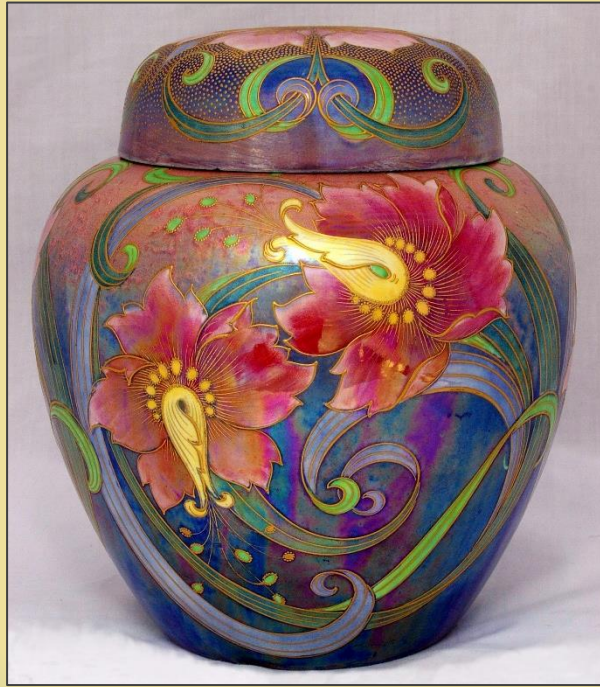
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Walter Slater Lion Bowl & Vases



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A Few Walter Slater Ginger Jars



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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

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Some Cabinet Plates

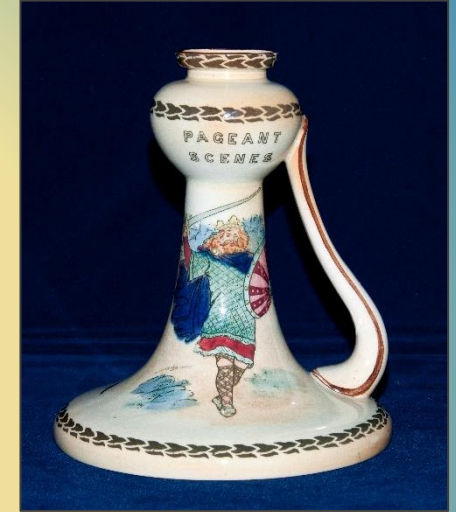


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Examples of Art Pottery



Shelley Shakespeare



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Robbie Burns



Wileman / The Foley / Shelley

Some Crestware



Wileman and Shelley

Some Commemoratives For English Speaking Countries



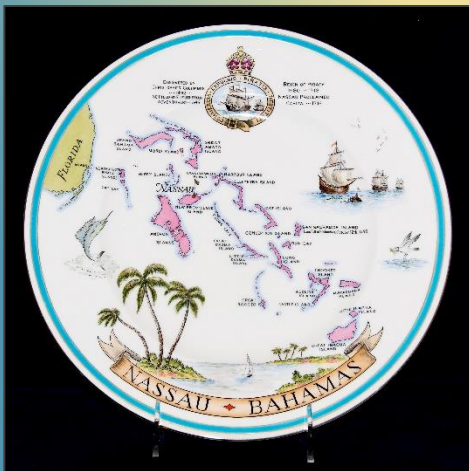
United States



Great Britain



Canada



Bahamas

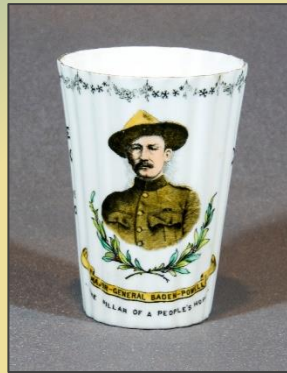


Australia



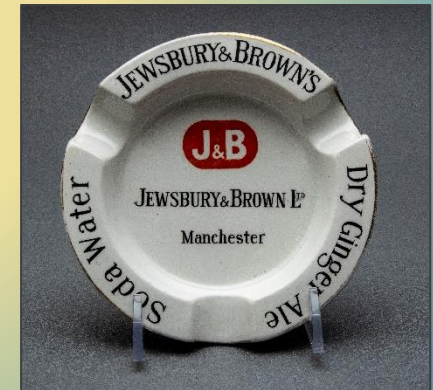
New Zealand

Examples of Shelley At War



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Some Commercial Wares

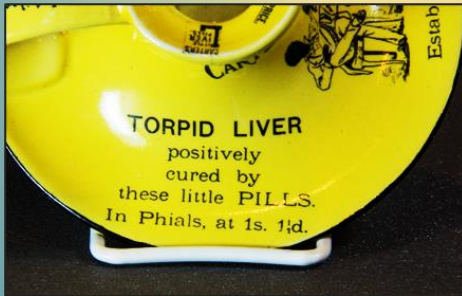


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Commercial Commissioned Ware

Carter's Little Liver Pills

Factory Trial/Sample?



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Commisioned Commercial Wares

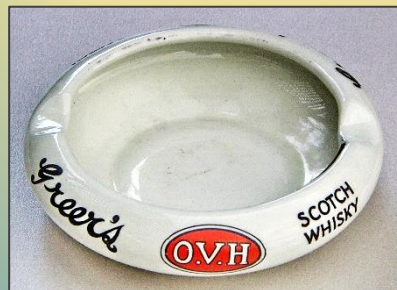
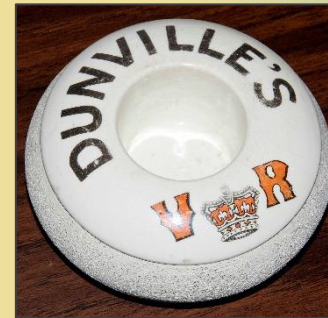
“Brewerania”



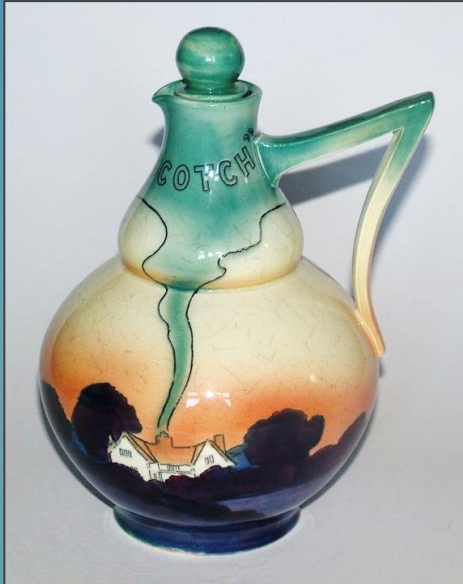
Pub Set: Water Pitcher, Ash Tray (with Matchbook Holder), Coin Tray

Shelley

More “Brewerania”

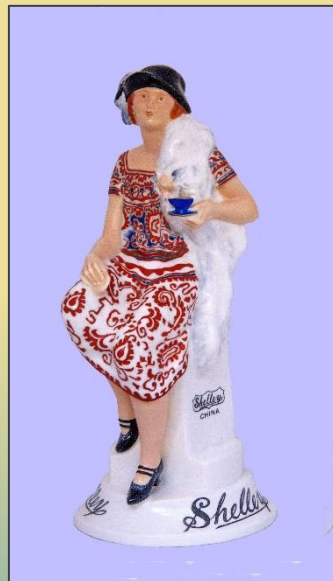


Wileman & Shelley And More “Brewerania”



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Some Advertising Wares



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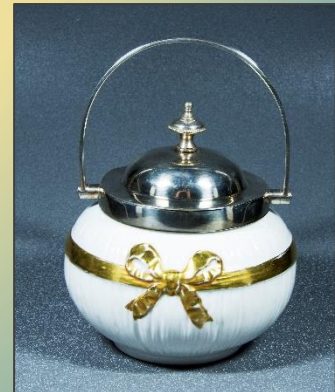
Examples of Kitchenware



Ramekins



Covered Serving Dish



Crinkle Honey Pot

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More Kitchenware



Mixing/Pouring Bowl



Shortbread Baking Dish



Covered Meat Warming Dish



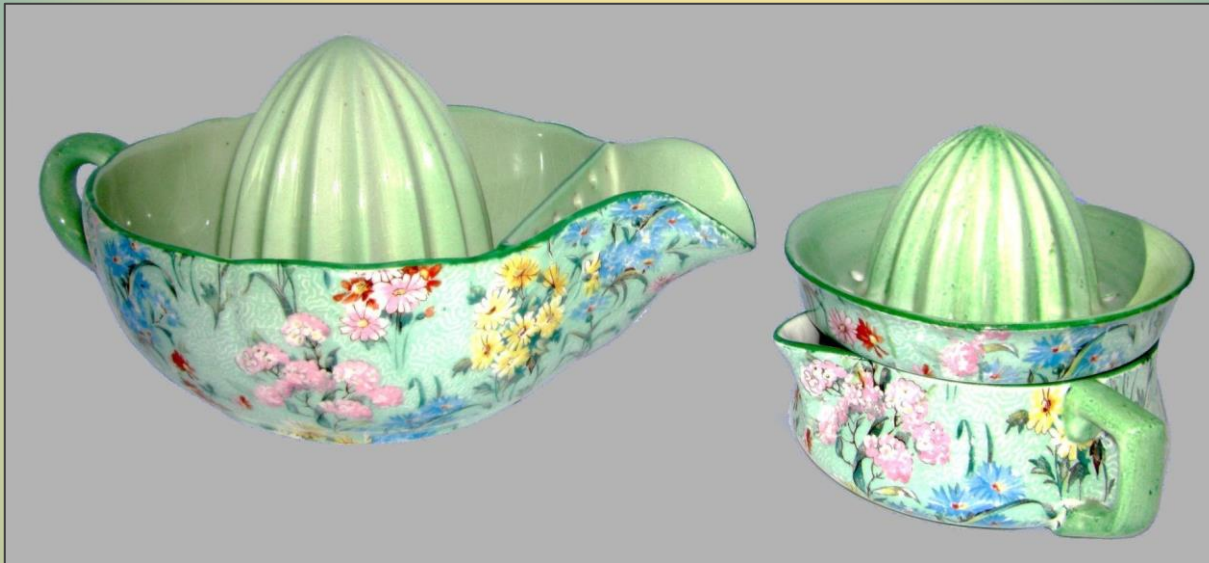
Honey Pot



Honey Pot

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Grapefruit & Lemon Juicers



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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

Examples of China Sets Ads

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

BLUE IRIS			
PATTERN: No. 11561. QUEEN ANNE SHAPE			
CHINA	C.	d.	
Tessal, 21 pieces	...	0 0	
" 40	...	3 14	
" 60	...	5 10	
Morning set	...	1 0	
Frank Set	...	1 0	
Semi-Silk Set	...	1 0	
SANDWICH-PORCELAIN			
Dinner Sets, 16 pieces	...	15 9	
" 32	...	7 6	
" 48	...	12 0	
Four Seasonal	...	1 0	
Dinner Sets, 32 pieces	...	16 3	
" 61	...	1 0	
CHINA			
Tessal, 21 pieces, 12-1	...	1 p-1st, 9 p-2d	
Tessal Stand, 4	...	0 3	
COVERED JIGS for hot water or hot milk			
for Coffee and Tea (see page 10)			
1 p-1st, 10 p-2d	...	1 p-1st, 10 p-2d	
Extra Cakes or Bread or Butter Plates,			
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China Set: Dainty Begonia



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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

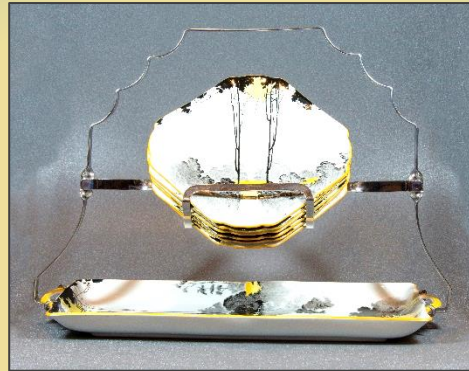


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Examples of Other Sets



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



Auto Teapot



Safety 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



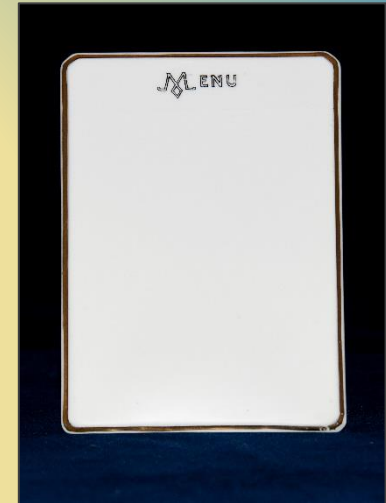
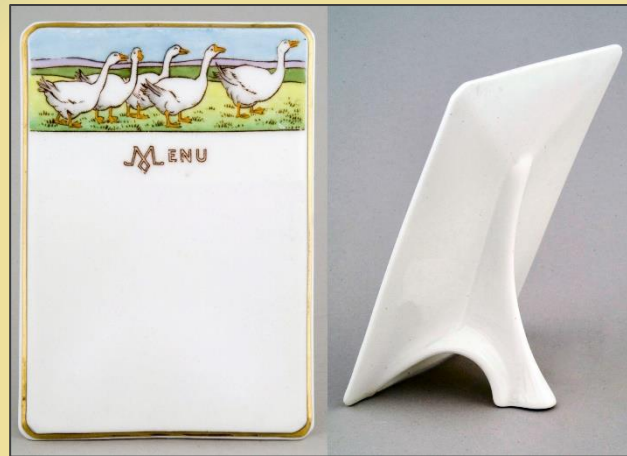
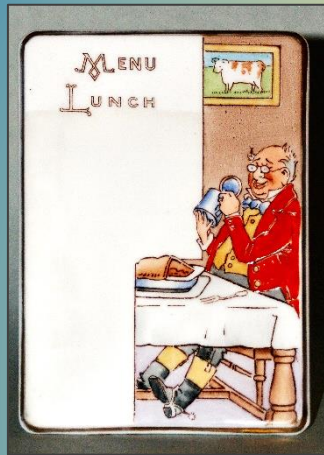
Charm



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Some Menu Stands



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Some Lamp Bases



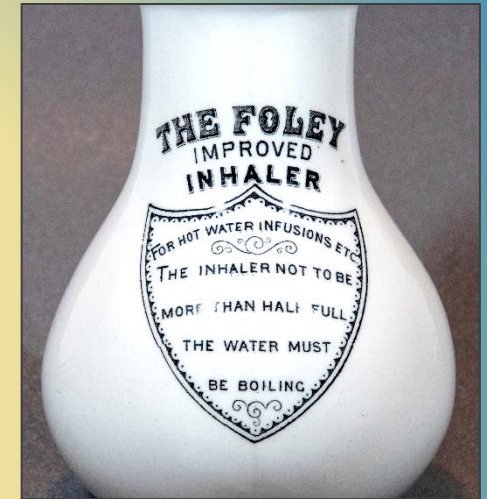
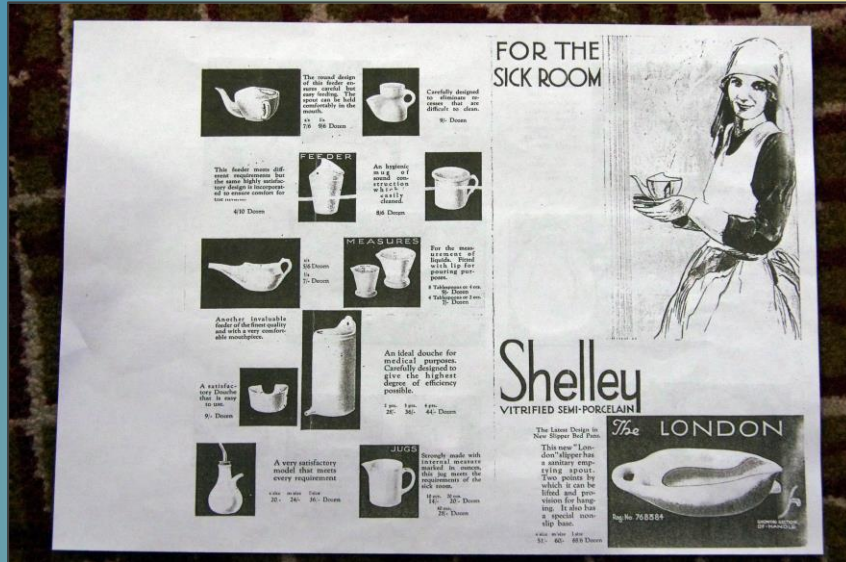
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Examples of Birds



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Some Personal Health Wares



Invalid Feeders



Spittoon



Shaving Mug



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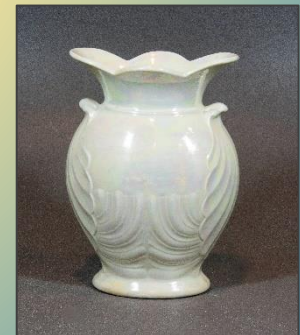
Personal Health: Bedpans



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Salesman's Sample?

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Personal Health: Lustre Toilet Set



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“Flower” Wares
(similar to Carltonware)



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Some Pin Dishes with Knives (or Spoons)



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Some Factory Trial Plates



Wileman & Shelley

Some Early Children's Wares



Fancy Script Series

Children at Play



Little Sadie

Little Dutchman Series

Tom the Piper's Son

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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



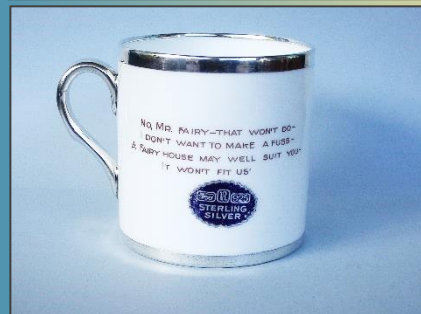
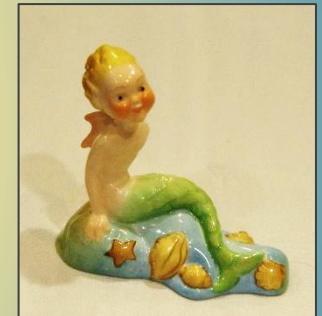
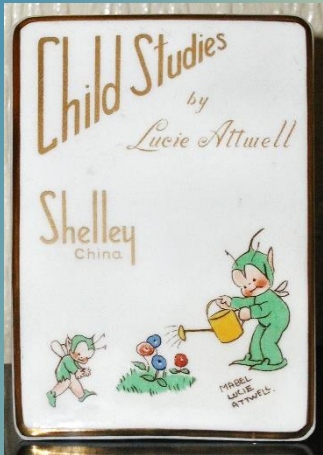
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Some of Mabel Lucie Atwell Wares



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More Mabel Lucie Atwell Wares



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Factory Trial Plate: Mabel Lucie Atwell



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Mabel Lucie Atwell: Box Set



Shelley Children's Teaset



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



Bell



Nairobi Fish Wares



Tankard



Wall Sconce



Vegetable Pattern Plate



Posey Ring

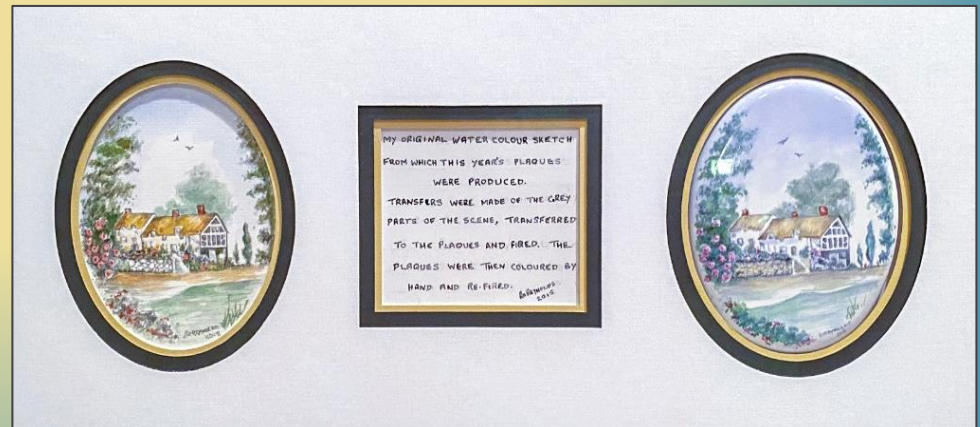
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