CUP

Unique ID: MAS-D100198

Object type certainty: Certain
Workflow status: Published

Find consists of a fragment of a porcelain cup, representing about 1/4 - 1/3 of the total vessel including a complete base bearing a backstamp of BRYONIA U & C. Though only partially surviving, what remains is in fair condition with evidence of slight encrustation around the base. No scale was provided, however, other examples of this pattern and manufacturer have a diameter of c. 75 mm. The U & C inscription refers to Utzschneider & Co, a company based originally in Sarreguemines, North East France. This region was previously part of Alsace-Lorraine and therefore the manufacture of this vessel would have likely have been in Germany. The company name existed between 1800 and 1919 and therefore this vessel likely dates to the later part of this period due to the date the ship from which it was recovered sank. The pattern on the cup is known as Black Mulberry Bryonia Pattern, to which the BRYONIA inscription refers.

Notes:

All of these items were recovered from the wreck *Loanda.* Built in 1891 at Barrow-in-Furness (Cumbria) by the Naval Construction and Armaments Co., *Loanda* was a two-masted screw-driven steamer owned by the British and African Steam Navigation Co. On 31 May 1908, following a collision with SS *Junona*, *Loanda* foundered while under tow 1 mile east of St Margaret's at Cliffe, Kent. At the time of loss, the vessel was bound from Hamburg, Germany, to West Africa with a general cargo. This cargo, which has seen significant recovery by divers, included: clay pipes; bottles of wine and gin; glass beads; perfume bottles; pencils, writing slates and inkpots; lamps; and teacups, lids, dishes, pots, saucers, plates, jugs and eggcups. NRHE and Kent HER reference numbers cited in this record refer to the wreck of *Loanda*.

This item was found with 16 clay pipes (MAS-D100196) and six gin bottles (MAS-D100197).

Class: FOOD PREPARATON AND CONSUMPTION **Sub class:** Drinking vessel

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: With finder

Wreck details

Droit number: 136/18

Chronology

Broad period: NINETEENTH CENTURY
Period from: NINETEENTH CENTURY
Subperiod to: Early
Period to: MODERN
Date from: Circa AD 1800

Date to: Circa AD 1908

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1
Diameter: 75 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 24th June 2018

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.
Recorded by: P T

Other reference numbers

NRHE monument number: 901835
Other reference: Kent HER Number: TR 34 SE 108; TR 45 NE 256; TR 34 SE 112
Droit ID: 136/18

Materials and construction

Primary material: Ceramic
Completeness: Fragment

Spatial metadata

County or Unitary authority: Kent (County)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TR3844
Four figure Latitude: 51.1457526
Four figure longitude: 1.4013985
1:25K map: TR3844
1:10K map: TR34SE
Display four figure position on What3Words
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Diving
Discovery circumstances: SS Loanda
Current location: With finder

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