

BOWL

Unique ID: MAS-D100047

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

Seven Chinese style bowls most likely to be made of porcelain. There is a parallel for the base mark that looks as though it's imitating Chinese porcelain marks. This is the mark of Charles Meigh of Hanley, Staffordshire, operating between 1835-49, but it was also used by the preceding company, J. Meigh and Son (c.1805-34) and the succeeding company, Charles Meigh and Son (1851-61) (Godden 1964, 428-429). The CM mark in the '.CASTER' stamp suggests that it's Charles Meigh, which puts the date just before the wreck date.

Notes:

This item was found along with two stoneware jars ([MAS-D100046](#)) and were recovered from the wreck of *Josephine Willis*. Other objects similar in style to the ceramic recorded here have also been recovered on different occasions from this wreck site ([MAS-D100048](#), [MAS-D100054](#), [MAS-D100058](#), [MAS-D100059](#)) along with [other non-ceramic objects](#) including candlesticks, a deadeye and three square portholes.

The *Josephine Willis* was a New Zealand sail and steam propelled packet ship built in c.1840. The ship was carrying 110 people on board bound for Auckland, comprising ten First class passengers, 60 steerage and 40 crew. It sank in 1856 following a collision with *Mangerton* with the loss of 69 lives. NRHE and Kent HER reference numbers cited in this record refer to the wreck of *Josephine Willis*.

Class: CONTAINER **Sub class:** FOOD SERVING CONTAINER

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: With finder

Subsequent action after recording: Submitted as wreck to the Receiver of Wreck

Wreck details

Droit number: 118/17

Chronology

Broad period: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Period from: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Period to: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Date from: Circa AD 1805

Date to: Circa AD 1856

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 7

Length: 72 mm
Width: 127 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Saturday 3rd June 2017

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.
Recorded by: L R
Identified by: L M
Secondary identifier: V L

Other reference numbers

NRHE monument number: 1025695
Other reference: Kent HER Number: TR 22 NE 45
Droit ID: 118/17

Materials and construction

Primary material: Ceramic
Decoration style: Other
Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

County or Unitary authority: [Kent](#) (County)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TR1830
Four figure Latitude: 51.0280097
Four figure longitude: 1.10748152
1:25K map: TR1830
1:10K map: TR13SE
Display [four figure position](#) on What3Words
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

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

Godden, G A, 1964 [Encyclopaedia of British Pottery and Porcelain Marks](#) New York : Crown Publishing, ,