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, ,

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