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Title Jar or Crock

Date 1873-1883

Primary Maker Seymour & Bosworth

Medium Mechanically-molded stoneware with a salt glaze, brown slip glaze, and cobalt blue decoration

Description Cylindrical, six gallon, wide-mouthed stoneware jar or crock with a salt glaze on the exterior and a brown slip glaze, or Albany-type slip glaze, on the interior. The jar/crock has a flat foot and cylindrical sides that rise to a flattened,

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rolled rim. Just below the rim, two incised lines circle the jar/crock. Two pulled

lug handles are pressed against the jar/crock along their full length, attaching

completely to the jar/crock on opposite sides, just below the two incised lines.

On one side, between the two handles, is an impressed mark, "SEYMOUR &

BOSWORTH/ HARTFORD". Below this is a stamped number "6". The mark is

lightly decorated with cobalt blue, although the jar/crock's primary decoration

is hand-painted in cobalt blue below the mark. The design consists of a curved

scroll with the hand-written words, "Truly Yours HARTFORD" inside. Where the

scroll curves down to the right, a bird sits in the curve of the scroll and looks up

at another bird resting on branches that are drawn just below the mark. Foliage

is drawn in the area beneath the scroll, as it curves up to the left. There is crazing

over all the glazed surfaces of the jar/crock and many minor imperfections in the

glaze. The remnants of a square paper label are adhered to the jar/crock

beneath one handle. There are some remnants of a substance that spilled down

the side of the jar/crock in this same area. There is one chip on the outside of the

rim, opposite the mark. A few remnants of an unknown white substance are

adhered to the inside walls of the jar/crock.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width including handles x depth): 13 x

15 x 14in. (33 x 38.1 x 35.6cm)