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Title Sauce Tureen and Tray

Date 1830-1850

Primary Maker Riley Fortune Goodrich

Medium Mold-formed buff-colored earthenware with a blut-tinted glaze and underglaze cobalt blue decoration

Description Oval, sauce tureen, lid and tray of buff-colored earthenware with a blue-tinted glaze, a type of ceramic known as pearlware. The three pieces are decorated with transfer-printed underglaze blue patterns and a border. Sauce tureen (.b): The pattern found on both sides of the sauce tureen shows a three-story residence with a prominent portico and circular driveway in front. The house is set in a manicured lawn and framed by trees on the left, right, and in the distance. The tureen has a narrow border at the inside and outside of the rim that consists of a line of small shells. The tureen also has two applied handles that were molded to imitate wood, then applied over the mold lines found at each end of the tureen. There are clusters of molded leaves where the handles join the body of the tureen. Finally, the tureen has four molded and applied feet in the shape of leaves and abstract shells. All molded elements on the tureen have been hand-painted with underglaze blue. Lid (.c): The domed lid of the sauce tureen has a generic landscape without any architectural features. There is a molded, hand-painted, and applied finial in the center, in the shape of a bowl of fruit. The rim of the lid is decorated with a border of fruit and flowers on a field of blue, edged in a narrow border of a line of shells. This border is

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interrupted at one end of the lid by a 'U'-shaped cut-out that was meant to accommodate the handle of a spoon. Tray (.a): The tray is decorated with a different pattern but similar border as found on the sauce tureen and lid. The pattern shows a man and woman standing in front of a pond. A three-story house on the far side of the pond sits in a grove of trees. A large tree in the left foreground frames the scene. This is surrounded by a wide border of fruit and flowers on a field of blue. The tray has two handles, formed as part of the body of the tray, at either end. They are in the shape of a shell surrounded by leaves, and have been hand-painted in blue. One of these handles, to the left of the pattern, broke off and was reattached at some time in the past. There are additional accretions of an unknown substance in this area and along the lower right rim.

Dimensions Component (height including lid x width x depth of tureen): 5 5/8 x 7 5/8 x 4 1/2in. (14.3 x 19.4 x 11.4cm) Component (height x width x depth of tray): 1 1/4 x 8 1/2 x 6 1/8in. (3.2 x 21.6 x 15.6cm)