

Basic Detail Report

Title Demitasse and Saucer

Date 1870-1875

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Mechanically-molded porcelain with gilding and overglaze enamels in red, black, and brown

Description Round, glassy, porcelain demitasse and saucer. The demitasse (.a) has a thick line of gilding over a thin line of gilding on the inside of the rim, with just one line of thin gilding on the outside of the rim. A handle, with a tapered line of gilded decoration, is applied opposite the primary decoration on the demitasse. This consists of three red stars over two horizontal red lines inside a shield that is outlined in black. Over the shield, a brown and black bird holds a gilded and red enamel crown. To the left of the shield are the initials "GW" in gilded script, and to the right of the shield are the initials "MW" in gilded script. An arched line of thirteen gilded stars is applied above the initials, shield, bird, and crown. The saucer (.b) is decorated with a thick line of gilding outside of a thin line of gilding at the rim. There is an additional thin line of gilding applied where the rim dips down to the bottom of the saucer. Finally, the gilded date, "1875", and location, "Hartford", are applied on opposite sides of the rim. There is one small chip in the rim of the saucer that leads to a very short hairline crack.

Dimensions Component (height x width including handle x depth of demitasse): 2 3/16 x 3 1/4 x 2 1/2in. (5.6 x 8.3 x 6.4cm) Component (diameter of saucer): 4 3/4in. (12.1cm)