

Basic Detail Report

Title Plate

Date about 1830

Primary Maker Andrew Stevenson

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

Description Small, round plate of buff-colored earthenware with a blue-tinted glaze, a type of ceramic known as pearlware. The transfer-printed pattern in the center of the plate shows a large church with tall, narrow windows, steeple, and portico. A mark on the back of the plate indicates that this is a view of the "Catholic Cathedral". The building is in a somewhat rural landscape, with a cemetery to the right, and buildings in the far left distance. Two individuals stand in the foreground; one figure is a man with a cane, and the other is a woman holding plant materials. There is a large tree in the left foreground. The pattern is surrounded by a border of scrolls, leaves, and a variety of flowers on a blue background. Portions of the glaze have crazing, especially where it puddled on the bottom of the plate during the manufacturing process. There is an old series of three cracks to the left of the church, which is mostly visible on the bottom of the plate. There is some yellowing to the top surface of the plate near the center of the cracks.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (diameter): 6 5/8in. (16.8cm)