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Title Cameos

Date about 1915-1930

Primary Maker The Hartford Faience Co.

Medium Cast blue and white porcelain

Description Group of three blue and white porcelain cameos containing motifs relating to Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. The cameos are round and domed, and have a series of raised words and borders around a central raised, white porcelain decoration. In the middle is a building and thirteen stars inside a shield. A crown sits above the shield, also in white porcelain. A key emerges from the top left and lower right corners of the shield. A scepter emerges from the top right and lower left of the shield. The remainder of the surrounding decoration is in raised blue porcelain. Below the shield, a Latin motto appears inside a banner: " PREA CLESIA ET PATRIA". Circling above the shield are the words "SICILL. COLL. TRIN SANC". The shield, banner, and words all sit on a textured background and are surrounded by a circular raised band, then a border of small, impressed leaves. Although the three cameos were made from the same

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mold, they are not all of the same quality. On cameo .33, the lower left corner of the shield is not complete, perhaps the result of air pockets in the porcelain during manufacture. On cameo .34, three small bubble remnants dot the left side of the border, while the lower right side of the border is not as crisp as other decorations. Finally, cameo .35 has an unknown yellow substance left in a few crevices around the circular border. All of these conditions probably resulted during manufacture.

Dimensions Component (diameter of .32): 1 3/4in. (4.4cm) Component (diameter of .33 and .34): 1 7/8in. (4.8cm)