

October 5, 1967

Mr. Cornelius C. Moore 112 Bellevue Avenue Newport, Rhode Island 02840

Dear Mr. Moore:

A small porringer by William Stoddard Nichols, W. Newport 1808, 155 Thames St., descendant of John and Priscilla Alden, has been purchased from the wife of a descendant of Commodore Perry, initials on it M M P which obviously not his (Oliver Hazard Perry) but said to be for a brother, maker's mark under typical for the area spreading scroll-pierced handle, and under center bottom NICHOLS in rectangle. Diameter $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches. The price is high for the period and maker alone, so must rest in association of the part of the Perry patronage of the maker, at \$850.00.

If not for you, let me know. It is only here on memo, and I would try some people who might be interested outside of Newport.

Very truly yours,

GEBELEIN SILVERSMITHS, INC.

by A. Rebelein