

May 1, 1963

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

Dear Mr. Moore:

I have available a Cann by John Coburn which came down through the Oliver family in Boston, original owner's initials on handle EG, a perfect piece, mark J. COBURN in rectangle on upper side left of handle. The late Andrew Oliver who owned it had the Judges Lynde in his ancestry, and I am told by Mrs. Oliver that she has two documents of appointment by the king, George III she says, but more likely George II for the period of the second Judge Lynde, on his appointment as Justice of the Peace at Salem. I would need to have her provide the actual description, but considered the interest of such material in connection with the tankard believed to have been one of those belonging to the first Benjamin Lynde and handed down through the second.

It might be that you would like this Coburn cann to join the Coburn porringer you have in the Edwards group by this maker who began as an Edwards apprentice. I would price it 770.00.

Very truly yours,

GEBELEIN SILVERSMITHS, INC.

By Hubert Schelen