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79 Chestnut Street, Boston 8, Mass.

Mr. Cornelius C. Moore  
Newport, R. I.

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Dear Mr. Moore,

Yesterday a past collecting customer friend stopping, mentioned having queried by telephone for price of the Coney tankard, from which it would seem price has gone up rather than down. I supposed excise additional to \$10,000 quoted by answering letter to me. Since he had gotten the price \$9000.00 (except it was being held for another's option or consideration) without mention of excise, the commission offered me were I to buy it (presumably for cash) would only cover the Ry Express if the power of the two figures is or has been what quoted to any others besides to him.

The descent of the tankard is either from the beginning or by convergence the same as of the fine early Patens by John and Samuel Edwards, and the fine pair of Casters by Samuel Edwards which you now have, which were also in Mrs. Round's estate, possessions previously given or bequeathed to her by the Bradstreet descendant.

Prehaps I have shown you the very early (in its original state) Bradstreet tankard, still early 18th century in its Colonial American alteration whereby the original English Commonwealth period cover was replaced. I have this little tankard here, forget whether I ever sent photo which I will even if for casual interest. It is certainly an interesting relic.

Regarding the Coney tankard, supposedly one or two turn-overs have occurred since I released it. It is still worth getting for anyone ready to buy who knows confidently that it is the real thing. It would be unpredictable when another Coney tankard will chance to be available, and if any fancier in appearance would probably be the fancier in price if it emerges with full appraisal attachment or open to competitive beat-the-other-fellow by a good margin bidding.

Have we assumed correctly that the Loring bowl is wanted on the bill?

Very truly yours

*J. Herbert Gebelin*