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324. SILVER SHAPED MUG BY JOSEPH LORING Boston, 1743-1815 Slightly bulbous body, plain except for an engraved lion rampant crest; molded flaring foot, molded rim, finely scrolled handle chased with formal leafage. Maker's mark stamped to left of handle: J LORING, italic letters in a cartouche.

Height, 534 inches; diameter of base, 314 inches

Note: Joseph Loring was born in Hull, Massachusetts, and moved to Boston where he had his shop in Union Street. He served as first lieutenant in the Revolutionary War and was a prisoner on Long Island for nine months, returning to Boston in 1777.

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