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

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Dear Sir:

We have delayed replying to your letter of the 12th inst. until we had certain information to send to you.

The Porringer about which we have been in correspondence was purchased by us on the opening day of the Antiques Show in New York from the Tillou Gallery in Buffalo, N.Y. and it was Mr. Tillou who advised us that the piece had come from the Henry Ford Museum. We tried to confirm this with the Museum, and were advised that the piece had never been in that collection.

As the piece did not come from the Museum as we were advised we are willing to reduce the price to \$440.00 Federal tax included, and we feel that the history of the piece is so important that it is well worth having. If it bore a maker's mark it would be worth \$1000.00.

We are enclosing the letter from the curator of the Henry Ford Museum together with the letter we received from the Tillou Galleries this morning.

We will be pleased to send the Porringer to you for inspection and, if you should decide against it, we will be indebted if you would return these two letters to us.

In the hope that we may be of service to you, we are,

Very truly yours,

p.p. Museum Silver Shop, Inc.

Philip F. Basson