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Silver, pewter, and other metals



FRENCH-CANADIAN SILVERSMITHS were working in Detroit as early as the middle of the eighteenth century, producing not only articles for the Indian trade but domestic and ecclesiastical objects as well. Metal craftsmen from the east arrived there early too, and increased in numbers in the region after the Revolution. While Ohio in particular produced considerable quantities of silver and also of pewter, copper, and brass, these wares were made throughout the Territory by the mid-nineteenth century.

Ohio copper, brass, and steel.

Copper teakettle. 1800-1825. Stamped on handle *W. Jack Chillicothe* with eagle touch. Possibly the William Jack whose brother Henry was listed by Rhea Mansfield Knittle as a pewterer in Chillicothe in 1816. Height 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches. *John H. Bereman*.

Skimmer and turner of brass and steel; marked *F. B. S. Canton O. Pat. Jan. 26 '86* for Fernando B. Smith. *HFM*.

Brass sundial. Stamped *J. Rider Newark O.* and dated 1854. *Heisey*.

Ohio pewter.

Syrup jug and caster. Marked *Homan & Co/ Cincinnati* for Henry Homan, 1842-1854. *HFM*.

Colfeepot (height 10 $\frac{9}{16}$ inches; *HFM*) and teapot (*OHS*). Marked *Sellew & Co./ Cincinnati*, for Enos, Osman, and William Sellew, 1830-1860. Teapot inscribed *R. Mote/ From/ E. S./Cin.* for Rhoda Steddum Mote, wife of the Lebanon, Ohio, artist Marcus Mote (see *ANTIQUES*, March 1951, p. 213).



Detroit silver.

Beaker, 1805-1835. Marked *P D.* script capitals in oval. Maker: Pierre Jean Desnoyers (w. Detroit 1796-1846). Inscribed *Esther.* and *F M* for François Maisonneville. *HWHM.*

Silver-gilt chalice. Inscribed around edge of base. *Fait et donne par Victor Rouquette a l'eglise de Ste. Anne du Detroit a l'honneur de la tres sainte Vierge Marie, en avril 1819.* Height 10½ inches. *ADCA.*

Ecuelle. or porringer; c. 1800. Marked *Piquete* and *B P.* Roman capitals in rectangle. Maker: Jean Baptiste Piquette (1781-1813). Diameter 6½ inches. *DIA.*

Punch ladle. Marked *T. B. Leavenworth Detroit.* Roman capitals without rectangle. Maker: Thomas Burr Leavenworth. Inscribed *Presented to F. W. Noble by E. B. Ward/ Feb. 12th 1872* and *Native Silver from/ Silver Islet Lake Superior* on handle. *DIA.*

Teaspoon. Marked *Geo. Doty/Maker* (w. 1838-1875), capitals without rectangle, and *Detroit M.,* upper and lower case script in rectangle. *HFM.*

Tablespoon. Marked *P M Detroit,* Roman capitals in separate rectangles. Maker: François Paul Malcher, who was in Detroit from c. 1792 until he died in 1810. *DIA.*



Pieces from two silver coffee services in neoclassic style. All but bowl marked *A O.* Roman capitals in rectangle. The maker, Antoine Oneille (c. 1764-c. 1820), was born in Quebec, worked in Detroit c. 1797 and in Vincennes, Indiana, from c. 1803 to c. 1817 (see *ANTIQUES*, July 1958, p. 61).

Coffeepot (height 15¼ inches) and bowl have bright-cut engraving with initials *F V* for Francis Vigo. Sugar bowl engraved *E* for Nathaniel Ewing. Bowl, *DAR;* other pieces, *Ewing.*



Inscribed silver pitcher and matching covered sugar bowl in late classic style. Marked *E. & D. Kinsey,* Roman capitals in rectangle, for Edward and David Kinsey, Cincinnati, 1840-1845. Both engraved *Lucy Abert.* Height of bowl, 10¾ inches over all. *Brunner.*

Goblet, c. 1840-1845. Marked *E. & D. Kinsey.* Engraved in a shield below the *repoussé* spread eagle *To Benj. Hubbs Esq./From/ The men of the M. & I.R.R. [Madison & Indianapolis Railroad]/a testimonial of/their esteem for him as/a gentleman and officer.* Height 6½ inches. *HFM.*

Pitcher in adaptation of early Georgian design. Marked *Talbot Bailey & Co. and Indianapolis;* Roman capitals in separate rectangles. Engraved, *Presented/ By the Wayne County/Agricultural Society/to/William J. Dennis/1854.* Height 7½ inches. *Whallon.*

Tablespoon (left) marked *P. A. Kirby and Milwaukee;* Roman capitals in separate rectangles. Wisconsin, 1844-1854. Length 8½ inches. *CHS.*

Tablespoon (right) marked *R. Cowles;* Roman capitals in rectangle, also three pseudo hallmarks, for Ralph Cowles, Cleveland, 1840-1850. Engraved on back of handle, *Made from a porringer/ presented to Lewis Peet/ by the men of his Command/in the Ohio Militia/Cleveland Post/1833,* and on front *Lewis Peet Soldier of 1812/EPN /settled in Cook Co. Illinois/in 1833.* Length 8 5/16 inches. *CHS.*

