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Importer Kellogg & Co. of Rome, New York

By: Jim and Mara Kerr with Contributions from Denise Schine

Importer marks on ironstone have always fascinated Jim and Mara Kerr. So, when Jim found a Grape Octagon Shape soup tureen base with an importer's mark of "Kellogg & Co./Rome, NY," he knew it was a keeper. Not only was it a new importer's mark, but it just so happens that Mara was born in Rome, NY. In their quest to find more information, a preliminary internet search for the Kellogg name yielded no results.



Fast forward a few years later and there on Ebay came another piece with the "Kellogg & Co./Rome, NY" importer's mark. This time it was on a Gothic ewer. Although the Kerrs were

not the successful high bidders, they later learned that fellow WICA member Denise Schine was the new owner!



Neither the soup tureen base nor the ewer has a maker's mark. However, the Kerrs also have a Grape Octagon vegetable tureen base with a black stamped "J. F." mark. The Grape Octagon shape was registered in 1851 by modeler Ralph Scragg. This shape has been identified as being made by many different potters. WICA's *The Illustrated Guide of White Ironstone China from A-Z* lists close to twenty makers. Each potter incorporated slight variations on the handles and finials of their pieces.



The handle on the J.F. marked vegetable tureen base can be described as having an embossed flat bunch of grapes on the panel between each of the branch handles. The top of the bunch of grapes has a twig which attaches back to the main handle. Since the soup tureen has the same handle details, the Kerrs have concluded that it was most likely made by J.F. This conclusion can further be supported in that J.F. was in business in 1851 when the shape was registered.



The Gothic ewer with the "Kellogg & Co./Rome, NY" importer's mark can also

be attributed to having been made by J.F. The thumb rest of the Rome, NY ewer is the same as on another identical Gothic shape ewer marked J.F.





About Kellogg & Co.

Although the Kerr's initial search for information about the Kellogg & Co. was unsuccessful, a recent online search through some *Rome Daily Sentinel* newspapers from 1853 and 1854 yielded exciting finds of advertisements for the company!

Kellogg & Co. appears to have been a general merchandise store located at 67 Dominick St. in Rome, NY and sold a wide variety of items including crockery, carpets, linens, teas, clothing, sugars, molasses, oil cloths, dry goods, hardware, etc.

We know they were importing white ironstone since the October 13, 1853 advertisement states – "We are now receiving our Fall Importation of White Iron Stone China Wares.."

A Card.—We are now receiving our **Fall Importations** of **White Iron Stone China Wares**; also a **general assortment** of **Cream Colored, Dipped and Edged**, ordered from the **manufacturers** before the advance, all of which we offer to the trade, and **guarantee prices** for some **first quality** of goods, **low as can be landed here from any market**. Glass ware we sell by the package at **manufacturers prices**.

KELLOGG & CO.

The July 15, 1853 advertisement stated “At Kellogg & Co’s Crockery and Carpet Store, are 162 Tea Sets...148 Ewers and Basins, 514 Doz. assorted Plates, Dinner Sets complete, from Edward’s celebrated manufactory, very cheap.” Perhaps the “Edwards celebrated manufactory” mentioned in the advertisement refers to the English potter James Edwards & Son (1851-1882).

 **AT KELLOGG & Co'S CROCK-**
ERY and Carpet Store, are 162 Tea Sets,
 350 sets, 148 Ewers and Basins, 514 doz. assorted Plates
 Dinner Sets complete, from Edward's celebrated Manu-
 factory, very cheap. dlf

From the April 24, 1854 advertisement we also know that they were indeed using their name on some of these imported goods – “Second Arrival – Crockery, imported and branded Kellogg & Co.”

NEW GOODS.

SECOND ARRIVAL SINCE 1ST INST.,
 consisting of **Carpeting, Matting, Druggetts, Oil
 Cloths, Foreign and Domestic Dry Goods and Groceries,
 Crockery, imported and branded Kellogg & Co., of a qual-
 ity good enough for Central New York, all cheaper than
 heretofore sold in this market.**

Rome, April, 1854. 2091L

**Has anyone else seen other pieces with a
 ” Kellogg & Co./ Rome, NY” importer’s mark?**

WICA Monthly Zoom Meetings Mark Your Calendars Now!

Zoom is a great way to share white ironstone from the comfort of your home. Watch for the monthly Constant Contact meeting announcement and respond with a "yes" to indicate you will attend the next meeting. Several days prior to the meeting you will receive the Zoom meeting link. Mark your calendars now with the following six-month schedule:

- Sunday, December 11, 2022, 6 p.m.: **Reticulated Ironstone**

- Friday, January 13, 2023, 7 p.m.: **Cheese Keeps and Cheese Domes**
- Saturday, February 11, 2023, 4 p.m.: **Utilitarian Ironstone**
- Sunday, March 12, 2023, 6 p.m.: **My Favorite Sugar Bowl**
- Friday, April 14, 2023, 6 p.m.: **Toilet Set Items**
- Saturday, May 20, 2023, 5 p.m.: **Oval Compotes**

Want to learn more about these meetings?
[Click Here to Contact Jeneen Berry](#)

Wanted Photos of Alfred Meakin Sunflower Body Style

Contributor: Bill and Carol Lancaster



[Click Here to Send
Sunflower Photos to Bill
and Carol Lancaster](#)

Bill and Carol Lancaster would like to create an article about Alfred Meakin's Sunflower body style. They need photos of the items you have as well as photos of the backstamps if they are different than the one shown above. They would also like dimensions.

So far, Bill and Carol have photos of a teapot, sugar bowl, creamer, pitcher, two mugs, pickle dish, and a food mold. Please take your photos against a black or dark background and provide dimensions. Click on the link above to send your photos and information to Bill and Carol.

Member News

Welcome to the Following New Members

- Kandis Anekwe
- Darlene & Larry Gates
- Rachel Montgomery
- Liz Nava
- Charles Stanton

In Memory of Past Members

- Sue Bergner
- Marie Maguire
- Alan Parker

Success Through E-News Classified Ads

Your Wishes May Come True by Advertising in the E-News

Thanks to the Classifieds, Bill and Carol Lancaster ended their search for a Nile creamer.

Member Classified Ads - For Sale and Wanted

To contact an advertiser click on his/her name and an email note will open. If the advertiser does not have an email, other contact information will appear.

To place a free classified ad in the next issue or to delete an ad

[Click Here](#)

For Sale

- **Ribbed Chain Table Pitcher.** Stamped: J. W. Pankhurst. 8" tall. Excellent condition, no damage, repairs or crazing. \$135 plus postage and insurance.
- **Ribbed Raspberry with Bloom Sugar Bowl.** Stamped J. & G. Meakin. 7 1/4" tall. Excellent condition, no damage, repairs or crazing. \$95 plus postage and insurance.

Parts Wanted

- **Ivy Wreath Coffee Pot Lid.** 3 3/4" diameter.
- **Western Shape Teapot Lid**
- **Miniature James Edwards Pedestaled Gothic Sugar Bowl Base**

We always have a large inventory of white ironstone for sale with a small sampling on our website:

www.cavernviewantiques.com

818 Barnerville Rd.
Howes Cave, NY 12092
518-296-8052

**Jim and Mara Kerr
Cavern View Antiques**

Wanted

- **Brush Tray Lid:** Grape Octagon
- **Cake Stand:** Any size with sawtooth edge
- **Compote:** Fluted Hops
- **Hot Beverage Lid:** Full Panel Gothic
- **Relish/Pickle Dishes:** Atlantic, Baltimore, Canada, Centennial, Dover, Girard, Greek Key, Havelock, Napier, Tuscan, Winterberry
- **Soap Box Base:** Potomac Shape
- **Soup Tureen Lids:** 1851 Octagon - 7 3/4" and Sydenham Oval
- **Soup Tureen Base and Underplate:** Columbia Shape by Challinor
- **Sugar Bowl Lids:** Dover Shape and Ivy Wreath
- **Teapot Lids:** Corn & Oats, Nile

Jeneen Berry

Wanted

Cake Stand on Pedestal: any size
Royal Shape (Lion's Head):
creamer

For Sale

Much of my fifty-year collection of antique white ironstone including:

- 1851 Octagon
- Sydenham Shape
- Shapes by James Edwards
- Early Gothic Shapes
- Much more

I do not have a list and prefer not to ship. For further information, you may call at 302-475-7412 or click on the link below to email me. Your visit is welcome, and an invitation to lunch or supper is extended.

Jane Diemer

For Sale - Proceeds Go to WICA Flour sack towels in 100% cotton. Choice of four hand screen marks as shown on photos of actual towels below. Pankhurst and J&G Meakin towels are white. Elsmore & Forster and J.F. towels are cream color.



**\$15 Each or Two for \$25
US Shipping Included**

Jeneen Berry

For Sale

Variety of items available.
Please contact:

Wanted

- **Adriatic Shape** oval soup tureen lid and underplate
- **Adriatic Shape** round soup tureen lid and underplate
- **Atlantic Shape** vegetable tureen lid
- **Budded Vine** brush vase
- **Forget-Me-Not** brush vase underplate
- **Forget-Me-Not** soup tureen underplate
- **Meadow Bouquet** sugar bowl lid
- **Potomac Shape** hot beverage jug lid
- **Sharon Arch** brush vase
- **St. Louis Shape** brush tray lid
- **Vintage Shape** hot toddy bowl lid

Rick Nielsen

Wanted

- **Leaf and Crossed Ribbon** brush vase
- **Leaf and Crossed Ribbon** chamber pot base

Boyd Payne

Wanted

- **Elsmore & Forster Ceres Shape** teapot lid
- **Fig Union** teapot lid
- **Laurel Wreath** decorated with George Washington black transfer pattern
- **Laurel Wreath** sugar bowl lid
- **T. & R. Boote Sydenham Shape** coffee pot base
- **Ribbed Bud/Full Ribbed** creamer

Ed Rigoulot

Wanted

- **Brush Vases**: Morning Glory aka Halleck Shape, Ceres Shape decorated with green and gold
- **Children's Items**: 1851 teapot base, one cup, and waste bowl; Full Ribbed sugar bowl base and cups, Prairie teapot
- **Lids**: Arched Wheat soap box
- **Punch Bowls**: Portland Shape, Berlin Swirl
- **Sauce Tureens**: Nile, Ceres Shape decorated with green and gold
- **Soap Boxes**: Scrolled Bubble, New York Shape, Morning Glory aka Halleck Shape

Bill and Carol Lancaster

Ed Rigoulot

Wanted

- **John Meir and Sons Ivy Wreath** creamer, dinner plates, coffee cups and saucers, and children's items, especially teapot
- **W. H. Grindley Flower Garden Border**: teapot, sugar bowl, creamer, plates, cups and saucers, toiletware, any other items
- **W. Baker Child's Potomac Shape**: any pieces
- **Mellor, Taylor & Co. Fuchsia with Band**: creamer
- **Anthony Shaw Bordered Fuchsia**: creamer and sugar bowl
- **Wedgwood Laurel Shape**: creamer
- **J. & G. Meakin or George Jones & Sons Fuchsia**: creamer

Gerald Goar

Want to Help?

[Click Here](#) to Contribute to Future Articles, Share Your Ironstone Photos, Marks, Stories, and Suggestions, and Place Your Classified Ads

WICA Shoppe

Until April 1, 2023, the only items which may be purchased from the WICA Shoppe are:

- *The Illustrated Guide of White Ironstone China from A to Z*
- *White Ironstone: A Collector's Guide*

[Questions? Click Here](#)

Become A WICA Member by Clicking on One of

the Following Options: WICA Website or Postal Mail

Membership Benefits

- Receive the *White Ironstone Notes* newsletter, which is published three times per year. The newsletter is filled with educational information. [Click here to view a sample newsletter.](#)
- Receive the periodic *White Ironstone China Association E-News* for continuous white ironstone education and to keep informed of WICA happenings. Members may also use the *E-News* to advertise for wanted items or for sale items.
- Attend our annual convention and auction and any WICA events such as member-hosted get-togethers or Zoom meetings.
- Access the Members Only section of the WICA website for additional WICA information.
- Receive the Membership Roster.
- Purchase educational reference books from the WICA Shoppe.
- Provide assistance with WICA activities and projects.
- Meet people who enjoy and appreciate white ironstone.

Membership Year

- The cost is \$40 per year for up to two people living at the same membership address.
- A membership year is June 1 to May 31 of the following year.
- A new member will receive via email any *White Ironstone Notes* newsletters issued between June 1 and the date the membership was paid.

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