

# Notes on Liberty Tudric & "Art Nouveau" Pewter

Additional information for website readers appears to be difficult to find. There must be out there somewhere copies of the Liberty catalogues of the early 1900s showing their ranges. We read that there are copies in the V & A Museum and we do intend to ask them if we might publish copies of a catalogue or two by scanning in those pages that apply.

Meanwhile for our website readers' interest we have come across courtesy of the UK Pewter Society some remains of early catalogues and early articles. These are part of the notes of Peter R G Hornsby who also wrote Pewter of The Western World and did trade as dealer Robin Bellamy and with his wife Jennifer did collect Tudric Pewter. However these notes are not in good order or especially detailed but it was thought worthwhile to gather them together as they do give some idea of what went on in the early 1900s and some articles give clues as to the thoughts then and later.

We hope you find these 'notes' interesting.

The first 'catalogue' extracts having missing pages 58,72 and perhaps 73.

This is likely the very first such promotion of Liberty Tudric Pewter.

In the designs the artistic hands of Oliver Baker, Rex Silver and some Archibald Knox are apparent. Likely this then was issued about 1903-1904.

Liberty did not promote artists names, he promoted "Liberty", he did not use their own factory numbers for the pieces shown. Where hand written numbers are shown these are all low numbers beneath 100 which gives the thought that this was the first publication featuring "Tudric".

# "TUDRIC" PEWTER.

(REG<sup>d</sup>)

"The Metallurgist" says:—

"In addition to the distinctive  
" 'Cymric' Silver-work, Messrs.

" Liberty have also become the  
" exponents of the Pewterer's  
" craft in some of its most  
" pleasing forms. - - - - -

" As all judges of pewter know,  
" its composition affects the  
" colour to a degree that makes  
" all the difference to the speci-  
" mens of the various periods.

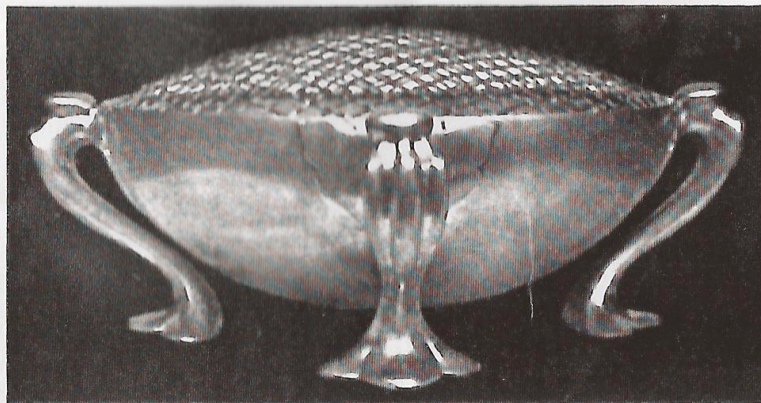
" In the variety now introduced  
" by Messrs. Liberty under the  
" name of 'Tudric,' they have  
" successfully reproduced the  
" lustrous silver-like surface of  
" one of the periods held in  
" highest esteem by collectors.

" Although only a recent intro-  
" duction, the work is so full of  
" possibilities that it is antici-  
" pated the production of  
" 'Tudric' Pewter will assume  
" sufficient importance to con-  
" stitute a permanent Home  
" Industry." - - - - -

Some of the specimens in  
stock are illustrated on the  
following pages. - - - - -

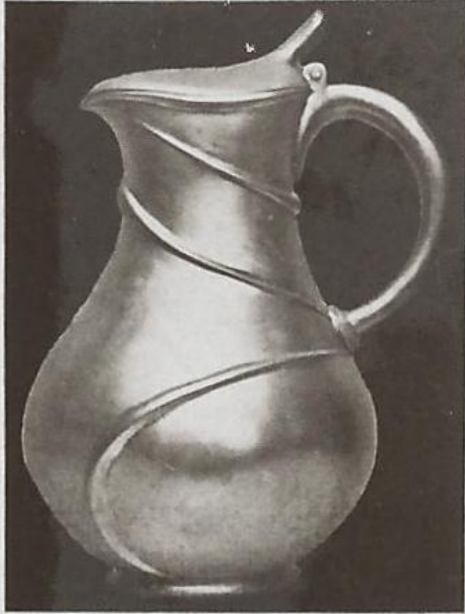
**CUPS AND BOWLS.**

**No. 1. Loving Cup (two handles).**  
Height, 8 inches.  
Price, £1 . 10 . 0.  
Without handles.  
Price, £1 . 5 . 0.

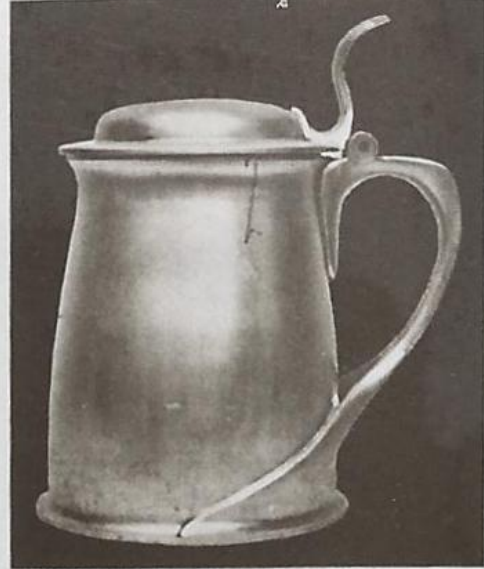


**No. 2. Flower Bowl.**  
Diameter, 13 inches; Height, 4 1/2 inches.  
Price, £2 . 10 . 0.  
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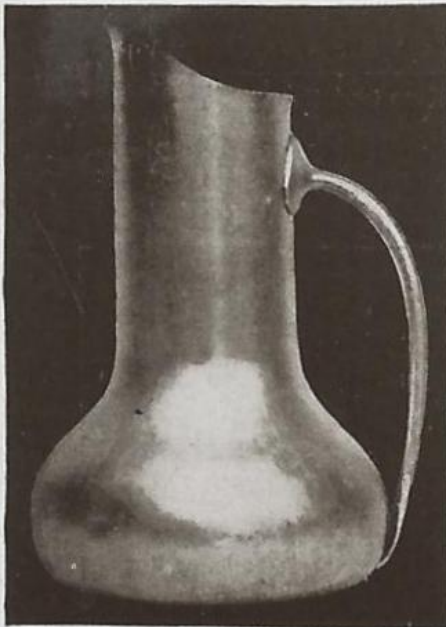
JUGS.



No. 1. Hot Water Jug.  
Height, 8 inches.  
Price, £1. 5. 0.



No. 2. Tankard.  
Height, 6 inches.  
Price, 18 6.  
Without cover.  
Price, 15 6.



No. 3. Water Jug.  
Height, 11 inches.  
Price, £1. 5. 0.  
With hinged cover.  
Price £1. 10. 0.



No. 4. Water Jug.  
Height, 11 inches.  
Price, £1. 5. 0.

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**TANKARDS  
AND JUGS.**



**No. 1. Tankard.**  
Height, 5, inches.  
Price, 15 6.



**No. 2. Tankard.**  
Height, 5 inches.  
Price, 13 6.



**No. 3. Jug and Cover.**  
Height, 14 inches.  
Price, £2 . 15 . 0.



**No. 4. Jug.**  
Height, 14 inches.  
Price, £2 . 10 . 0.

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**SERVIETTE RINGS AND BOXES.**



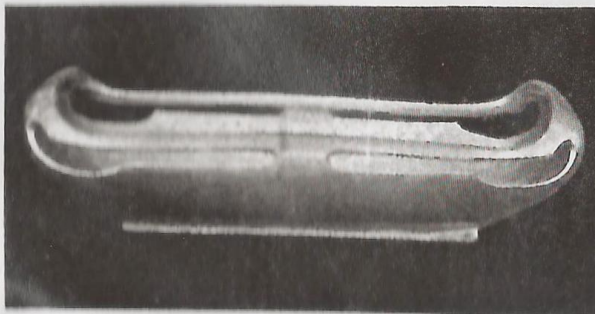
**No. 1. Serviette Ring.**  
Width, 1½ inches.  
Price, 1 6.

**No. 2. Serviette Ring.**  
Width, 1 inch.  
Price, 1 6.

**No. 3. Serviette Ring.**  
Width, 1½ inches.  
Price, 1 6.



**No. 4. Biscuit Box.**  
Height, 7 inches. Width, 6 inches.  
Price, £1. 15. 0.



**No. 5. Sweet (or Fruit) Bowl.**  
Length, 7½ inches. Width, 4½ inches.  
Price, 11 6.



**No. 6. Powder Box.**  
Height, 3½ inches.  
Price, 12 6.

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BASINS AND TEA SETS.



No. 1. Sugar Basin (or Porringer).  
Diameter, 6 1/2 inches.  
Price, 9 6.



No. 2. Porringer (or Sugar) Basin,  
Diameter, 6 inches.  
Price, 15 6.



No. 3. Tea Caddy and Spoon.  
Height, 7 1/2 inches.  
Price, £2 . 2 . 0.



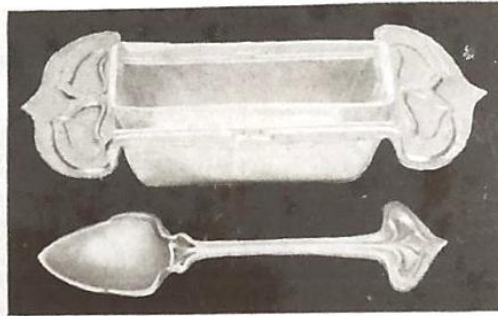
Cream Jug.  
Height, 2 1/2 inches.  
Price, 8 6.

TEA SET. No. 4.  
Tea Pot.  
Height, 5 1/2 inches.  
Price, 30 .

Sugar Basin.  
Height, 4 inches.  
Price, 7 6.

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DISHES.



No. 1. Preserve Dish and Spoon.  
(Glass lined).  
Price, complete, 10/6.



No. 2. Entrée Dish and Cover, with moveable division.  
Price, £2 . 10 . 0.  
Length, 13 1/2 inches.  
Price, £2 . 2 . 0.



No. 3. Entrée (or Vegetable) Dish and Cover.  
Diameter, 11 inches.  
Price, £1 . 15 . 0.

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FLOWER VASES, ETC.



No. 1.  
Flower Vase.  
Height, 6 1/2 inches.  
Price, 8 6.



No. 2. Stamp Box.  
Length, 4 1/2 inches.  
Height, 1 1/2 inches.  
Price, 8 6.



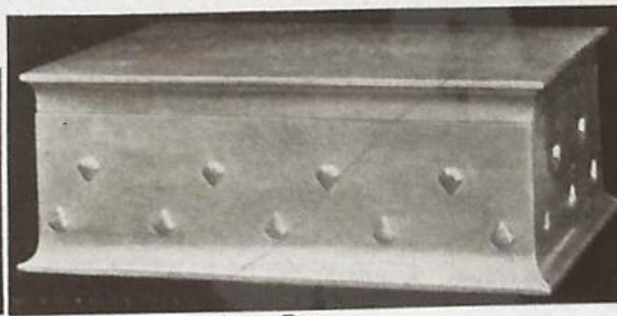
No. 3.  
Two-handed  
Vase.  
Height, 7 1/2 inches.  
Price, 12 6.



No. 4. Card or Fruit Tray.  
Diameter, 10 inches.  
Price, 15 6.  
Or. set with three stones as illustrated.  
Price, £1. 1. 0.



No. 5. Bowl.  
Diameter, 7 1/2 inches.  
Price, £1. 15. 0.



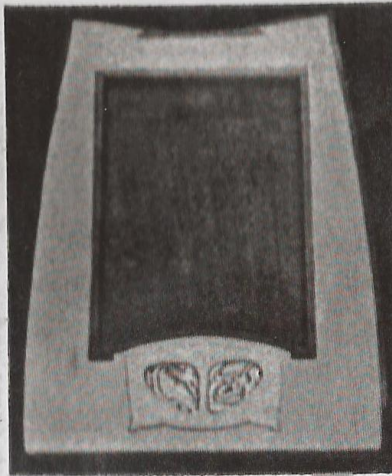
No. 6. Cigar Box.  
Length, 8 1/2 inches. Width, 5 1/2 inches.  
Price, £1. 15. 0.

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## PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES AND JUGS.



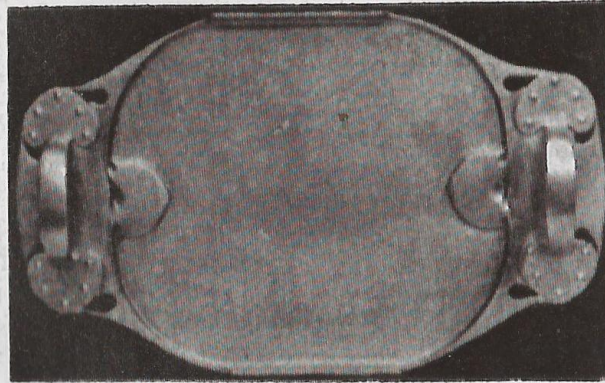
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(cabinet size).  
Height, 8½ ins.  
Width, 6 ins.  
Price, 15/6.

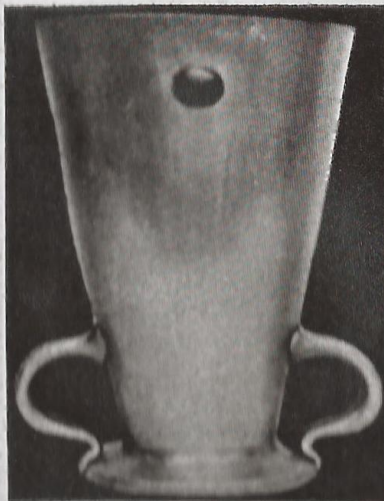


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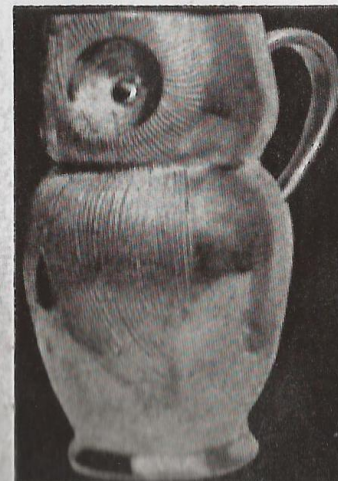


No. 3. Tray.  
Length, 18½ inches. Price, £1. 17. 6.  
Length, 21½ inches. Price, £2. 2. 0.



No. 4.

No. 4. Flower Vase,  
set with Conne-  
mara stones.  
Height, 8 inches.  
Price, £1. 5. 0.  
Without stones.  
Price, £1. 2. 6.

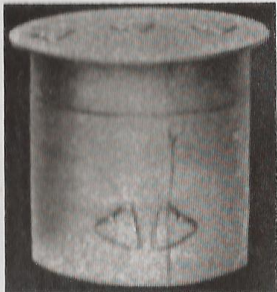


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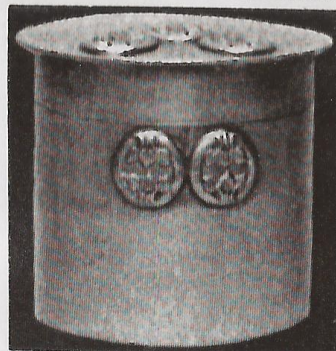
No. 5. Water Jug.  
Height, 7½ ins.  
Price, £1. 5. 0.

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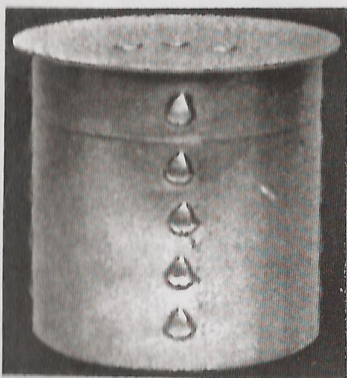
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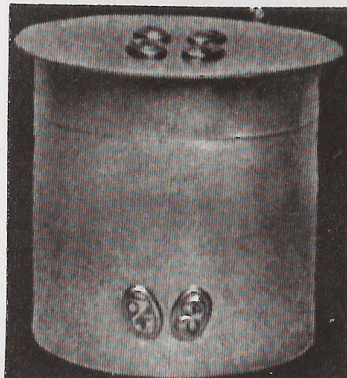
No. 1. Powder (or Tobacco) Box.  
Height, 2 1/2 inches.  
Price, 10/6.



No. 2. Powder (or Tobacco) Box.  
Height, 3 inches.  
Price, 12/6.



No. 3. Powder (or Tobacco) Box.  
Height, 3 1/2 inches.  
Price, 14/6.



No. 4. Powder (or Tobacco) Box.  
Height, 3 1/2 inches.  
Price, 15/6.



No. 5. Powder (or Tobacco) Box.  
Height, 4 inches.  
Price, 16/6.

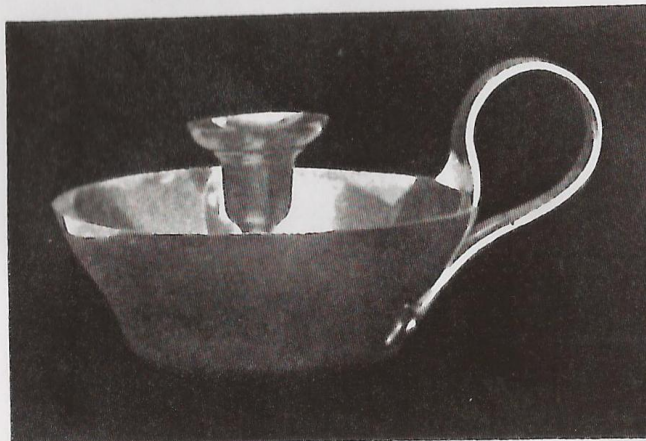


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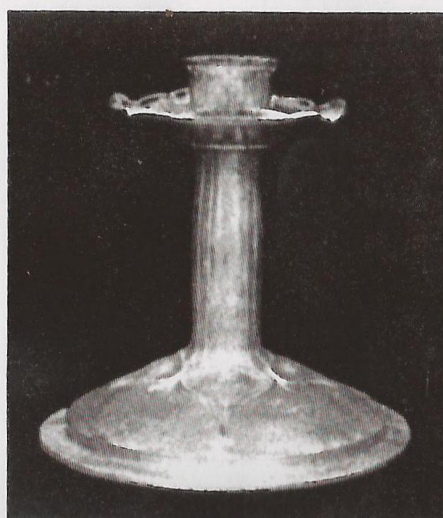
CANDLESTICKS.



No. 1. Candlestick.  
Diameter, 7 inches.  
Price 18 6.



No. 2. Candlestick.  
Height, 5 1/2 inches.  
Price, 10 6.



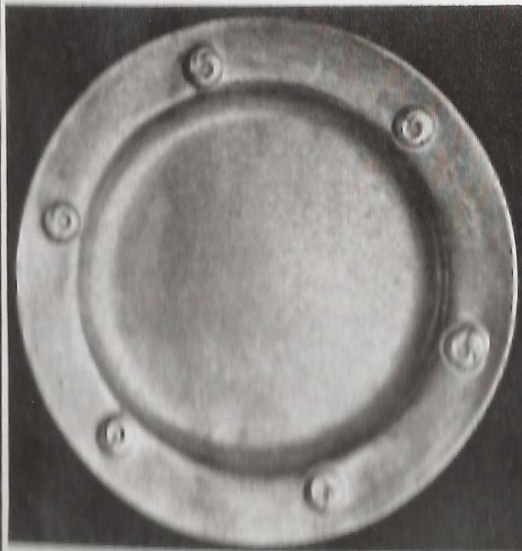
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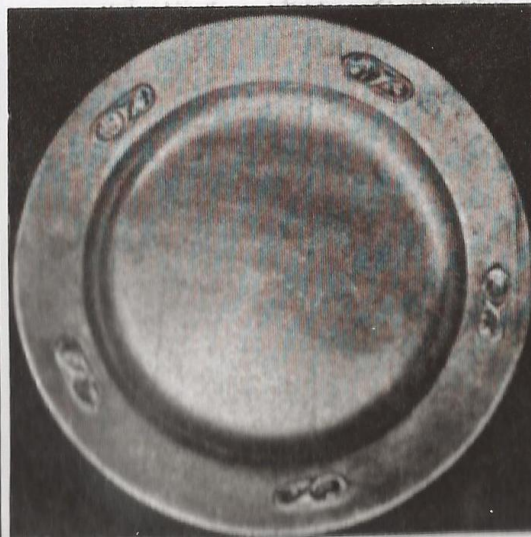
### SALVERS.



No. 1. Salver.  
Width, 15 inches.  
Price, \$1 . 8 . 6.



No. 2. Salver.  
Width, 9 1/2 inches.  
Price, 10 6.



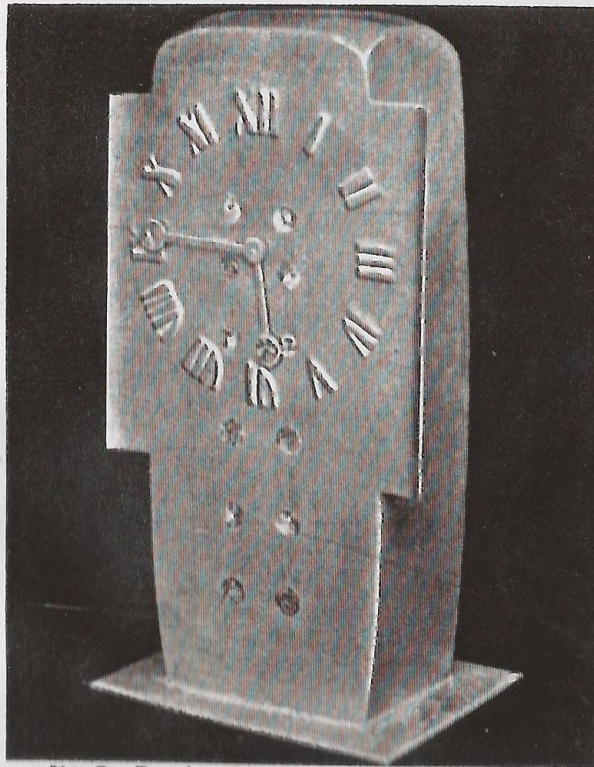
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Width, 9 1/2 inches.  
Price, 17 6.

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## CLOCKS.



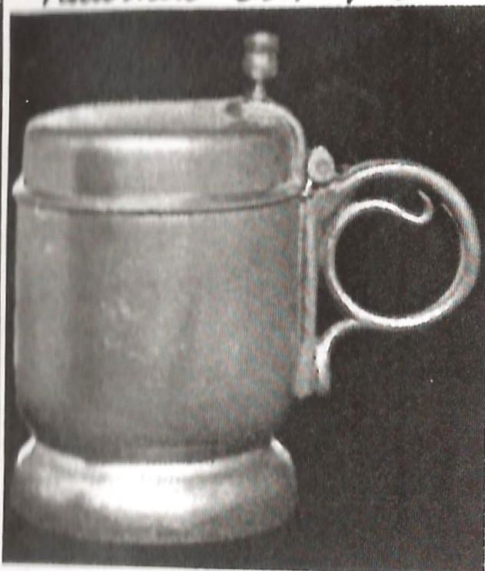
No. 1. Hanging Clock.  
Inlaid with pearl shell.  
Price, £4 . 15 . 0.



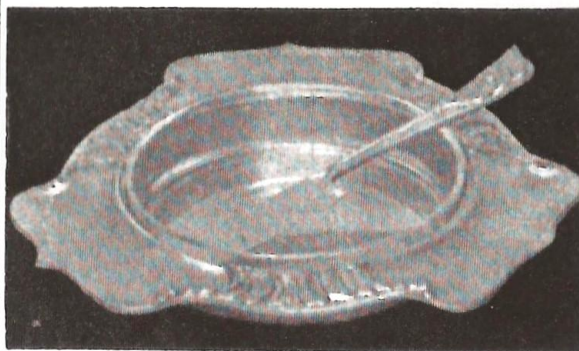
No. 2. Pewter Clock, set with pearl shell.  
Height, 13½ inches.  
Price, £8 . 6 . 0.

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## TANKARDS, JUGS, ETC.

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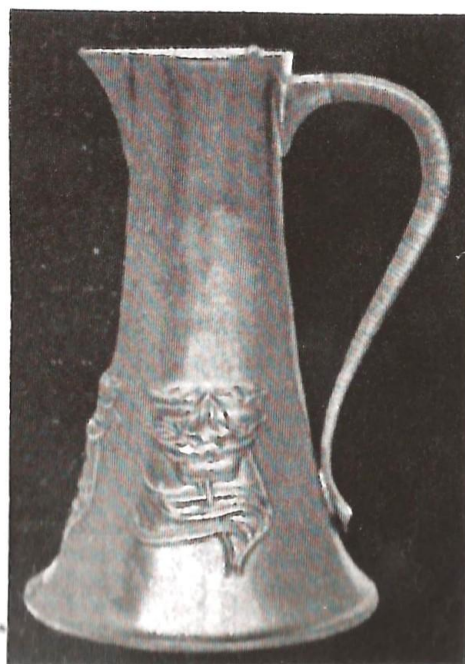
No. 1. Tankard and Cover.  
Height, 5 1/2 inches.  
Price, £1 . 5 . 0. ✓



No. 2. Butter Dish and Knife.  
(Glass lined.)  
Diameter, 6 1/2 inches.  
Price, 10 6.



No. 3. Bowl.  
Diameter, 9 inches.  
Price, £2 . 12 . 6.



No. 4. Pewter Jug and Cover.  
Height, 9 inches.  
Price, £1 . 15 . 0.  
Without Cover.  
Price, £1 . 5 . 0.

Copyright.









**D 192 Inkstand**

Pewter; in the form of a shallow dome with a hinged cover. Decorated with an interlaced knot design with flower forms. Diam. 12.7 cms.

Probably designed by Archibald Knox, c. 1904. Marked: 'TUDRIC/6/0521'.

*Ill.* L.c. no. 107, 1905-6, p. 73, no. 2: *Apollo*, LXXVII, 1963, fig. 3.

V & A (Circ.922—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).

**D 193 Inkstand**

Pewter; cylindrical, with a hinged cover, set on a square tray; decorated with a small flower motif. W. 15.4 cms.

c. 1903-4. Marked: '9/TUDRIC/0141'.

*Ill.* L.c. no. 97 [1904], p. 33, no. 3; *Apollo*, LXXVII, 1963, p. 113, pl. 2 (with enamel decoration).

V & A (Circ.1—1968).

**D 194 Pair of Vases**

Pewter, with enamel decoration. In the shape of conical flasks decorated on the sides with rounded flower forms of blue and green enamel. H. 17.8 cms.

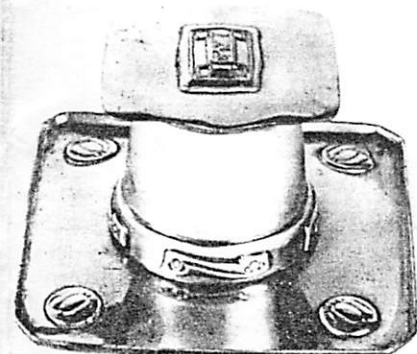
Probably based on a design by Archibald Knox, 1904. Marked: 'Rd. 426775/1323/TUDRIC' (design registered in 1904).

*Ill.* L.c. no. 97 [1904], p. 32, no. 5.

V & A (Circ.923 & 924—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).



D 192



D 193

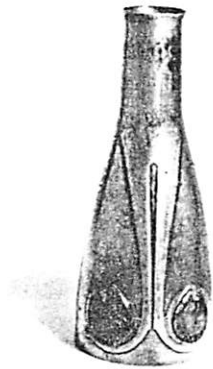
**D 195 Cake Basket**

Pewter, with enamel decoration; oval, decorated with sprays of heart-shaped leaves on curving stems. The floor covered with blue enamel. L. 23.4 cms.

1905. Marked: '3/Made by Liberty & Co./Rd. 448914/English Pewter/0359' (design registered in 1905).

*Ill.* L.c. no. 119, 1906, p. 76, no. 3.

V & A (Circ.938—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).



D 194

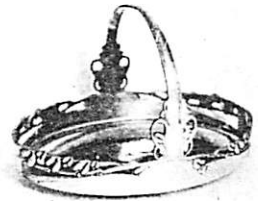
**D 196 Pair of Small Vases**

Pewter, with enamel decoration. Small domed base and thin tapering neck; decorated on the base with flower heads and triangular areas of blue and green enamel. H. 15.2 cms.

c. 1906. Marked: 'TUDRIC/0818'.

*Ill.* L.c. no. 131, 1907, p. 55, no. 8.

V & A (Circ.919 & 920—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).



D 195

**D 197 Cigarette Box**

Pewter; rectangular shape, set with three turquoise studs in the lid. L. 17 cms.

c. 1902-5. Marked: 'TUDRIC/0125'.

Parallel *ill.* L.c. no. 75 [1902], p. 65, no. 6.

Private Collection.

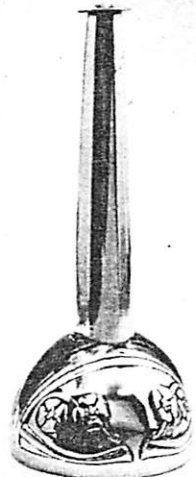
**D 198 A-C Three Cigarette Boxes**

Pewter, with enamel decoration. **A:** a rectangular box with enamel plaque of a seascape set in the lid. L. 18.5 cms. **B:** square box with enamel plaque of landscape with trees set in the lid. L. 9 cms. **C:** rectangular box with enamel plaque of a seascape set in the lid. L. 21 cms.

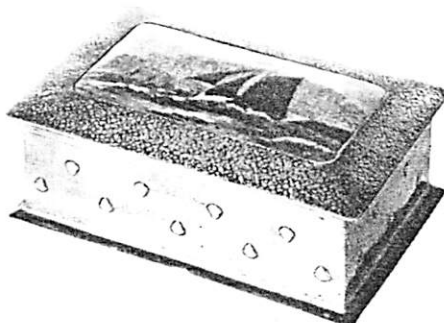
c. 1910. **A** marked: '1/English Pewter/Made by Liberty & Co./10121'. **B** similarly marked, but without the first numeral. **C** marked: '078'.

Parallel *ill.* L.c. no. 185 [1911], p. 13, no. 12.

**A** & **B**, Liberty & Co. Ltd; **C**, V & A (Circ.958—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).



D 196



D 198 C



D 197



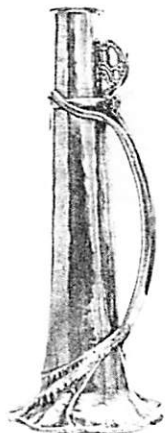
D 199



D 200



D 202



D 203

**D 199 Clock**

Pewter, set with nacreous shell. Rectangular in plan, with a sloping fin on either side. H. 16.8 cms.

Possibly designed by Archibald Knox, c. 1903. Marked: 'TUDRIC/0252.'

*Ill:* L.c. no. 83 [1903], p. 37, no. 3. Mr Dan Klein.

**D 200 Dish**

Pewter, set with nacreous shell. The rim decorated with five open knot motifs each containing two pieces of shell. Diam. 14.1 cms. c. 1902. Marked: 'TUDRIC/0109.'

*Ill:* L.c. no. 75 [1902], p. 69, no. 3. V & A (Circ.927—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).

**D 201 Bowl**

Pewter, decorated with a band of stylised flowers; two handles extend beneath the bowl to form the feet. W. 29.2 cms.

Designed by Rex Silver, 1903. Marked: 'Rd. 41420/English Pewter/Made by Liberty & Co./0229' (design registered in 1903).

*Ill:* L.c. no. 107, 1905-6, p. 79, no. 1; J. M. Richards & N. Pevsner, eds., *The Anti-Rationalists*, 1973, p. 156, pl. 8. V & A (Circ.275—1961).

**D 202 Vase**

Pewter; small, flower-like bowl and stem-like handles rising from a circular base.

H. 24. 7 cms. c. 1903-4. Marked: '6/TUDRIC/029.'

*Ill:* L.c. no. 83 [1903], p. 33, no. 4. V & A (Circ.930—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).

**D 203 Pair of Vases**

Pewter; tall cylinders with handles and irregular shaped base. H. 34.2 cms.

c. 1905. Marked: '5/TUDRIC/0213'. Parallel *ill:* L.c. no. 83 [1903], p. 35, nos. 1 & 2.

V & A (Circ.928 & 929—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).

**D 204 Bowl**

Pewter, with enamel decoration. Circular, on pedestal base, decorated with swirling tendrils and stylised plant forms, some covered with blue enamel. Diam. 37.5 cms.

c. 1904. Marked: 'TUDRIC/06.'  
*Ill:* L.c. no. 97 [1904], p. 38, no. 4. V & A (Circ.910—1967: the gift of Mr Martin Battersby).



D 201

**D 205 Dish**

Pewter, decorated with a peacock in the centre. The five small roundels with peacock motifs on the rim are paralleled by the small links shown as D 133. Diam. 33 cms.

c. 1905. Marked 'TUDRIC/0114'. Liberty & Co. Ltd.

**D 206 Jug**

Pewter; barrel-shaped. The sides decorated with fish leaping from waves. H. 17.3 cms. c. 1905. Marked: 'Tudric Hand-Wrought Pewter/Liberty & Co.' (within a scrolled outline).

Liberty & Co. Ltd.

**D 207 Candlestick**

Pewter; decorated on rim and base with interlaced knot motif. H. 16 cms.

Designed by Rex Silver, c. 1905. Marked: '08/TUDRIC'.

The original design for this piece is included in this exhibition as D 273.

Private Collection.



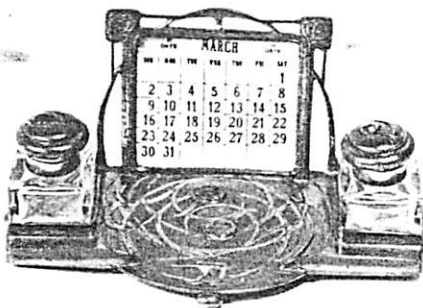
D 204

**D 203 Inkstand and Calendar**

Pewter, with blue and green enamel decoration; glass bottles; celluloid calendar sheets. Small rectangular tray with a circular design of swirling stems, a frame for the rectangular calendar and two compartments for square ink bottles. L. 25.3 cms.

c. 1905-10. Marked: '3/English Pewter/01060'.

Parallel *ill*: L. c. no. 83 [1903], p. 40, no. 2. V & A (Circ. 937 & A-I—1967: the gift of Mr. Martin Battersby).



D 208



D 205

**D 209 Pair of Chamber Candlesticks**

Pewter; low forms with wide flaring bases and divided handles. Diam. 19.3 cms.

c. 1905-10. Marked: 'TUDRIC/02610'.

Mr H. P. Viti.



D 209



D 206

**D 210 Bowl**

Pewter; a globular shape with three divided handles. Diam. 25 cms.

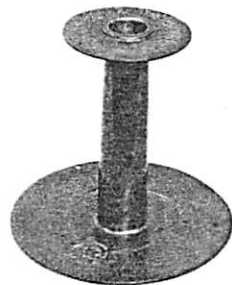
c. 1910. Marked: '9/English Pewter/Made by Liberty & Co./0337'.

*Ill*: L. c. no. 195 [1912], p. 15, no. 5.

Mr H. P. Viti.



D 210



D 207

**D 211 Vase**

Pewter; trumpet-shaped with circular base, decorated with a band of stylised honesty.

H. 26.2 cms.

c. 1908. Marked: '0970/TUDRIC'.

*Ill*: L. c. no. 191 [c. 1911], p. 3, no. 7.

Liberty & Co. Ltd.

**D 212 A-D Tea Service**

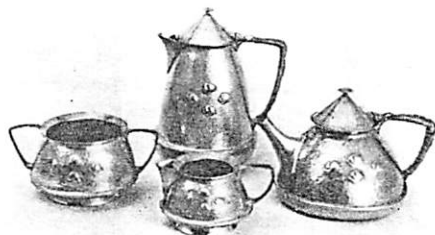
Teapot, hot water jug, milk jug and sugar bowl; pewter with cane-covered handles.

The shapes of the set are based on cone forms; the sides decorated with a four knot motif.

Greatest H. 18.4 cms.

c. 1910. Marked: 'O/Made in England/TUDRIC/0303' and '1 3/4 pints' on teapot and hot water jug only.

Liberty & Co. Ltd.



D 212



D 211

**D 213 A & B Pair of Mirrors and Log Box**

Hammered brass set with blue ceramic studs.

A, mirrors: W. 63 cms. B, box: H. 43 cms.

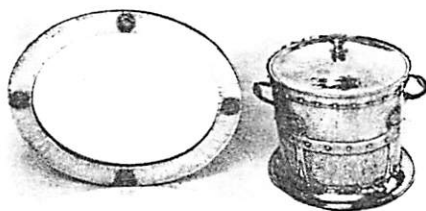
Made by an unidentified firm, c. 1905.

Mirrors marked with composition label on back: 'Liberty, London'.

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(entitled the 'Tenbury' Oval Mirror).

A, Liberty & Co. Ltd; B, from the collection of John Llewellyn.



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