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PHOTO TITLE: Assomption Sash - GRPO 525

DESCRIPTION: Arrow and lightning pattern fingerwoven sash (mid-19th century) consisting of 515 threads woven in 1,089 rows. There are 19 color zones present. The woven length of the sash is 227.3 cm, the length of the fringe is 76.2 cm, and the width is 24.8 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Pocket Watch - GRPO 1425

DESCRIPTION: Late 18th century pocket watch with top hinged glass casing, Roman numerals on enameled face. Watch includes side-hinged open-face case and hollow shaft key for the winding mechanism. The diameter of the watch face is 4.8 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: British 84th Highlanders Button - GRPO 2453

DESCRIPTION: Flat, one-piece pewter button with thistle design inside a wreath with a crown at top. This button was produced for the British 84th Highlanders, part of the British 8th Regiment of Foot sent to Grand Portage in 1778 under the command of Lt. Thomas Bennett. The diameter of the button is 1.4 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Decorative Brass Button - GRPO 5192

DESCRIPTION: Flat, one-piece brass button with wire shank. The edge of the button is scalloped; a sprig, leaf, and two blossoms are stamped on the face. The diameter of the button is 3.2 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Chain Link Shoe Buckle Frame - GRPO 12687

DESCRIPTION: 18th century brass shoe buckle frame with chain link design. The buckle stands 3.4 cm tall, 5.3 cm long, and 7.2 cm wide.

PHOTO TITLE: Rectangular Shoe Buckle Frame - GRPO 12697

DESCRIPTION: 18th century decorative brass and white metal shoe buckle frame. The buckle contains two separate sections of very fine incised lines between a border of undecorated brass. The edges of the buckle contain slight indentations. It stands 2.9 cm tall, 5.2 cm long, and 8.2 cm wide.

PHOTO TITLE: Leather Insole - GRPO 13125

DESCRIPTION: Leather insole from cobbled shoe with sharply tip (toe section missing) and narrow waist. The underside edges are crimped with horizontal stitch holes indicating this piece was sewn between a lower treadsole and uppers. The sole measures 20.3 cm long, 6.4 cm at its maximum width, 3.5 at its minimum width, and 0.5 cm thick.

PHOTO TITLE: Round Cupreous Cufflinks - GRPO 14404

DESCRIPTION: Flat-faced, decorative nautical design cupreous cuff links with recessed back and rounded edges. The links are connected by a cupreous wire link. The diameter of a cuff link face is 1.6 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Cast White Metal Button - GRPO 14886

DESCRIPTION: Cast white metal button with central depression in face encircled by narrow line. Eye is molded to back of button; button face diameter is 1.6 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Cast White Metal Button - GRPO 14887

DESCRIPTION: Cast white metal button with central depression in face and variable concentric ring facial patterns. Eye is molded to back of button; button face diameter is 1.7 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Cast White Metal Button - GRPO 14888

DESCRIPTION: Cast white metal button with decorative facial designs radiating out from center. Eye is molded to back of button; button face diameter is 1.7 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Cast White Metal Button - GRPO 14889

DESCRIPTION: Cast white metal button with central hub and radiating spoke facial design. Crudely-shaped eye is molded to back of button; button face diameter is 1.7 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Five-Piece Button - GRPO 14897

DESCRIPTION: Five-piece button consisting of white metal facial plate disk with cupreous dome protruding from center, an undecorated white metal back, and beaded and crimped cupreous collar with soft fibrous fill material. Wire eye element is missing; button face diameter is 2.6 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Two-piece Cupreous Button - GRPO 14900

DESCRIPTION: Two-piece cupreous button with domed face with decorative pinwheel design and crimped edges. The diameter of the button face is 1.6 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Decorative Cupreous Button - GRPO 14901

DESCRIPTION: Cast cupreous button with raised decorative floral motifs on flat face. The eyes are drilled with rounded ends. The diameter of the button face is 2.7 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Decorative Cuff Links - GRPO 17042

DESCRIPTION: Decorative cuff link consisting of brass bottom with rimmed top, mother of pearl gilt enclosed by rim, and central glass inset. Bottom of link is oval concave and possesses hinge molded to top link.

PHOTO TITLE: Spun-back Button - GRPO 17592

DESCRIPTION: Flat, spun-back non-ferrous metal button with decorative crown. Facial design consists of floral motif with multiple series of variable concentric rings radiating from center to edge of crown. The diameter of the button is 2.7 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Spun-back Button - GRPO 17593

DESCRIPTION: Flat, spun-back non-ferrous metal button with decorative crown. Facial design consists of faintly inscribed concentric rings radiating from center and a series of small lines in a "sunburst" pattern at the edge of crown. The diameter of the button is 2.9 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Decorative Convex Buttons - GRPO 17597

DESCRIPTION: Pair of non-ferrous metal buttons with convex crown and back. Divided into four quadrants by two oscillating lines intersecting at center, thinner series of lines radiate from a raised central cross at apex of crown. Separate wire eye element is affixed at center of back. The diameter of each button is 1.6 cm.

PHOTO TITLE: Shoe Buckle Frame with Hinge Elements - GRPO 17602

DESCRIPTION: Broken brass shoe buckle frame with intact ferrous metal double prong hook, double prong tongue, and hinge bar. Floral and leaf motif adorns brass frame with rounded edges. The overall length of the incomplete frame is 5.6 cm and it is 4.8 cm wide.