

Pattern Viewer

Name:

Mr. Pickwick Meets Sam Weller

Color:

Red

Body type:

Earthenware

Category:

Literature and the Performing Arts / Fictional Characters

Border:

Miscellaneous / No border

Central pattern image:



Overall pattern image:



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Border image:

Additional image:

Source image:

Makers and Marks:

William T. Copeland (& Sons)

1847 - 1970

Stoke-on-Trent

Staffordshire



Type: TEXT-Impressed
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Predominant features:

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| Boots | Cart (loaded) | Dog |
| Inn | Man cleaning boots | Men standing |
| Washing on line | | |

Additional information:

Plate. 8.5ins. This fluted, Chelsea-shape earthenware plate was made by W.T.Copeland & Sons in October 1879 (impressed datemark). It is printed in red with the scene from Pickwick Papers, by the English novelist Charles Dickens, in which Mr.Pickwick first meets Sam Weller at the White Hart in the Borough (Southwark, London). Sam was then employed by the inn to clean the boots of its

guests, but he later became Mr.Pickwick's personal servant. "The Posthumous Papers of The Pickwick Club", to give it its full title, was originally published in 1836-37 with illustrations by Hablot K. Browne ("Phiz"). In this scene, Mr.Pickwick (on the right), Mr.Wardle (next to him) and their attorney, Mr Perker of Grays Inn, are asking Sam about the guests staying at the inn, in their search for Mr.Wardle's sister who has eloped with Mr.Jingle.