

Teapot-Stand

Date

1883

Primary Maker

Charles Dickens

Medium

Glazed earthenware

Description

Circular white china stand with a black transfer design. It has an egg and dart pattern around edge and a picture of

a woman in the centre. She is sitting on a chair looking out of a window with a candle, jug and comb on the table. The words: 'Miss Miggs sitting up for Simmun' (scene from Barnaby Rudge, by Charles Dickens) is written underneath the picture. Registered design stamp on the back. Starting with the Pickwick Papers images of popular characters and scenes from Dickens' novels were used for advertising and merchandise in the same way that images from TV and films are used today. It is unlikely that either Dickens or the illustrators Robert Seymour, H K Brown 'Phiz' or George Cruikshank received any income (royalties).

