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LITERATURE

THE THREE 'EXCAVATED' SILVER SPOONS ALL DATE FROM AN EARLY PERIOD OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF SPOONS, NOT ONLY IN HOLLAND, BUT NORTHERN EUROPE ALSO. SHAFTS DECORATED WITH ENGRAVED 'FEATHERING'. ONE TERMINAL IS DATED 1587, ANOTHER WITH A COAT OF ARMS DISPLAYING A 'RAMPANT' CROWNED BIRD OF PREY AND A 'FLEUR DE LYS', THE OTHER WITH INITIALS AND A 'POMMEL'? TO THE REVERSE OF ONE BOWL, FURTHER INITIALS ARE SURROUNDED BY ENGRAVED RAMS AND 'CROWNED' BLEEDING 'HEARTS'.

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