Modernized Transcription: Paul Revere's Wastebook¹

July 6

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Item	Pounds	Shillings	Pence
Cost for making a silver coffee pot weighing 33 ounces 2 pennyweight	4	0	0
Cost for adding a wooden handle	0	3	4
Cost for making a second silver coffee pot weighing 33 ounces 2 pennyweight	4	0	0
Cost for adding a wooden handle	0	3	4

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Capt Thomas Parsons

Item	Pounds	Shillings	Pence
Cost for making a silver cann weighing 14 ounces 19 pennyweight	5	4	8
Cost of labor	1	10	0
Cost for making a silver porringer weighing 18 ounces 16 pennyweight 12 grains	11	10	0
Cost of Labor	1	6	8

 $^{^{\}scriptsize 1}$ This is a modernized transcription that uses simplified language, corrected spelling, grammar, and punctuation.

Glossary Terms

- **Pounds**—British currency
- **Shillings**—British currency. One shilling was made up of 12 pence, and 20 shillings equaled one pound (symbol £). Amounts in English money were written in the following manner: £ 3/12/9 (3 pounds, 12 shillings, 9 pence)
- **Pence**—British currency. 12 pence made one shilling, and 20 shillings made 1 pound.
- Ounce—A unit of weight measurement that equals approximately 28.34 grams
- Pennyweight—A unit of weight measurement that equals approximately 1.5 grams
- **Grains**—A unit of weight measurement that equals approximately .065 grams
- Cann—A tall cup, usually metal with a handle, similar to a mug
- Porringer—a small bowl, typically with a handle, used for soup, stew, or similar dishes

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