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(LEFT) EXCEPTIONAL SIX-GALLON STONEWARE CROCK WITH ELABORATE COBALT STAG AND DOE SCENE, STAMPED "J. & E. NORTON / BENNINGTON, VT.," CIRCA 1855. THE SUBJECT MATTER, SIZE, AND EXTRAVAGANCE OF THE DESIGN RANKS THIS WORK AMONG THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF NORTON FAMILY STONEWARE THAT WE HAVE EVER OFFERED. RELATIVELY FEW EXAMPLES FROM THIS POTTERY ARE KNOWN FEATURING A COVETED "DOUBLE DEER" MOTIF AND THE LARGE SIZE OF THE VESSEL COMPOUNDS THE VISUAL IMPACT OF ITS DECORATION. THIS EXAMPLE FEATURES SUPERB FIRING AND INCLUDES THE LIGHT-COLORED CLAY AND BOLD, ENAMEL-LIKE COBALT FOR WHICH THIS POTTERY HAS BECOME KNOWN. AN OUTSTANDING WORK IN ALL RESPECTS. H 14".

(RIGHT) EXCEEDINGLY RARE AND IMPORTANT SIX-GALLON STONEWARE CROCK WITH ELABORATE COBALT LION DECORATION, STAMPED "F. STETZENMEYER. / ROCHESTER, N.Y.," CIRCA 1855. OFT ADMIRER AND REGARDED AMONG THE MOST FAMOUS AMERICAN LION-DECORATED STONEWARE PIECES KNOWN. MEASURING AN IMPOSING 11 1/2" AROUND THE CURVE OF THE VESSEL'S FRONT BY 9 1/2" TALL, THE DECORATION EXHIBITS THE BOLD, ENAMEL-LIKE SLIP-TRAILING PRIZED IN THE PRODUCTS OF ROCHESTER'S MID 19TH CENTURY STONEWARE INDUSTRY. GIVEN THE RARITY AND DESIRABILITY OF THE SUBJECT MATTER AS WELL AS THE SIZE AND TRANSCENDENT QUALITY OF THE DESIGN, THIS CROCK IS REGARDED AS THE POTTERY'S FINEST-DECORATED PIECE KNOWN. H 14".

