

# Basic Detail Report

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**Title**

Consolidated Ice Company

**Date**

1901-1910

**Primary Maker**

Consolidated Ice Company

**Medium**

Glazed or painted ceramic

**Dimensions**

Overall: 10 x 114 mm, 0.1 kg

**Name**

Ceramic tile

**History**

The Consolidated Ice Company transported, stored, and distributed natural lake ice throughout the Pittsburgh region during the first half of the 20th century. The building was originally owned by the Chautauqua Ice Co., which sold ice harvested from Chautauqua Lake in Mayville, New York. By 1901 Chautauqua Ice merged with other local ice companies to form Consolidated Ice Co. Advances in refrigeration technology allowed Consolidated Ice to make its own ice on demand, so the company shifted its focus from ice storage to merchandise storage, establishing Consolidated Storage in 1907. Consolidated continued to sell distilled water until 1948, as well as iced box cars for distributors.