Primary Maker: Lovejoy & Co.
Title: Paperweight
Date: 1892-1893
Medium: Glass, paper, paint
Dimensions: Overall: 1 7/8 x 3 1/4 in. (4.8 x 8.3 cm)
Credit Line: Gift of Bella C. Landauer
Object Number: 2002.1.6

Object Name: Paperweight
Classification: GLASS

Curatorial Remarks:
From the Columbian Exposition 1892-93.

Physical Description:
Half-spherical clear glass paperweight. Glued paper on underside with blue painted rim. Central photograph of the first Ferris wheel. Reverse has list of statistics, dimensions for overall size, passenger loads.

Markings: Label: "Official Souvenir of Ferris Wheel / Highest line of vision, 258 ft.; Highest point of the wheel, 264ft.; Diameter of wheel (center of pins) 250 ft.; Total weight of wheel and cars, 2100 tons; total weight of people per trip,
130 tons; Axle steel forged-largest ever made, 33 in diameter, 45 ft. long, weight 70 3/4 tons; Time required for a trip, 20 minutes; Duplicate reversing engines, 1000 h.p. each; Total weight of wheel, lever and machinery, 4300 tons; Carrying capacity, 36 cars each holding 60 persons or 2160 per trip."