

A Moonshine Scene, from Harper's Weekly

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Primary Maker Thomas Nast

Medium

Wood engraving on newsprint

Description

Figure with donkey head wearing a wreath on his head is standing upright on left side of composition. His eye has a ring around it

reading "Third term" and his belt reads "Caesars". One man is shoving a battle axe through the figure's torso. The staff of the battle axe reads "N.Y. Tribune", and the head reads "This / is / not / G. Washington's". Another man stabs the figure's lower body with a sword reading "N.Y. Herald. (The Damascus) / (Blade.)" Captioned "We do it wrong, being so majestical, / To offer it the show of violence;" typeset beneath and left of title in black ink, captioned "For it is, as the air, invulnerable, / And our vain blows malicious mockery.'---SHAKSPEARE.

Dimensions

Composition: 8 3/4 × 13 3/8 in. (22.2 × 34 cm) Sheet: 15 13/16 × 10 15/16 in. (40.2 × 27.8 cm)