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THE SKATERS.

Litho of J. W. Kellogg & Co. Boston, Mass.

Title The Skaters.

Date 1830-1840

Primary Maker D. W. Kellogg & Co.

Medium Lithography; printer's ink on wove paper

Description Four men stand in the left foreground. The man at the right is dripping wet, and has evidently just fallen through the ice of a frozen lake or

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pond. He wears a coat, vest, shirt, and necktie or scarf. He has an ice skate

strapped to his right foot. His left foot is bare except for a ragged sock. Two of

the men wear large top hats with the words "HUMANE / Society" on the brims.

One of them has his left arm around the first man's armpit. He holds a grappling

hook attached to a long rope in his right hand. The other holds what appears to

be a gaff. The fourth man, at the far left, wears an overcoat, breeches, and spats.

He holds a wicker basket over his right arm with a label on it that reads: "Brandy

/ Balls". He holds a glass in his right hand and a bottle with a cork in it in his left

hand. A label on the bottle reads: "A Drop / of / GOOD / GIN". A hole in the ice is

at the right. A sign reads: "DANGEROUS". A man leans on the sign and uses a

cane to try and reach a hat floating in the water. Four other skaters, one of them

falling backwards, are in the right background.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 11 x 9 3/8in. (27.9 x 23.8

cm) Sheet (height x width): 17 7/8 x 13 7/8in. (45.4 x 35.2cm)