

Basic Detail Report

Title Jeff. Rampant. Jeff. Subdued.

Date 1861-1865

Medium Lithography; printer's ink and watercolor on wove paper

Description A political cartoon featuring a reversible caricature portrait of

Jefferson Davis. One side depicts a shaggy-haired man with long mustaches

wearing a hat and uniform with epaulets. In the lower right and left are a four

line poem and four small battle scenes. The inscription reads: "JEFF. RAMPANT.

/ WAR / With lion heart and frantic mien, / The warrior seeks the battle scene, /

To risk his precious blood, and fight / For glory and his vaunted right." When the

image is turned upside down, the subject appears to be a donkey with long ears

and a bridle. Beneath this image is a second poem and scenes including a man

on a donkey, a harvest scene, a farm, and cattle drinking from a pond. The

inscription on this side reads: "JEFF. SUBDUED. / PEACE. / But when he hears the

cannon roar, / And views the dying in his gore, / His courage fails and then, alas!

/ He homeward travels like an ass."

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 11 3/4 x 8 7/16in. (29.8 x

21.4cm) Sheet (height x width): 14 1/16 x 10 1/16in. (35.7 x 25.6cm)