

Basic Detail Report

Title Phoenix Mutual Insurance Company and the Chicago Fire

Date 1947

Medium Drawing; ink wash and gouache with graphite on white wove paper with wood pulp paper lining

Description Drawing of Hartford insurance company representatives paying out claims after the Chicago fire of 1871. A man wearing a top hat sits by a barrel that he is using as a desk. He is handing what appears to be a check to another man wearing a hat and carrying two books. More people wait in the immediate background. To the left, a man with a beard and mustache and hat is meant to be Marshall Jewell. The background shows a huge crowd of people, and city buildings on fire with flames shooting up into the sky. A blank square with adhesive residue is at the top of the drawing.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): 22 x 15in. (55.9 x 38.1cm)