PERHAPS THEY ARE OF ANOTHER BREED (SI SON DE OTRO LINAGE)

CLASIFICACIÓN: PRINTS

SERIE: DISASTERS OF WAR (PRINTS Y DRAWINGS, 1810-1815) (61/82)

DATOS GENERALES

CRONOLOGÍA	Ca. 1812 - 1815
DIMENSIONES	156 x 208 mm
TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE	Aguafuerte, lavis, punta seca, buril y bruñidor
RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA	Undisputed work
FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN	01 Dec 2010 / 31 May 2023
INVENTARIO	836 225

INSCRIPCIONES

35 (on the lower left-hand corner).

HISTORIA

See *Sad presentiments of what must come to pass* (*Tristes presentimientos de lo que ha de acontecer*).

The title was handwritten on the print by Goya in the first and only series that is known to have been printed at the time the works were created, which the artist gave to his friend

Agustín Ceán Bermúdez. Therefore, the title was etched into the plate at a later date and left unchanged as of the first edition of the *Disasters of War* printed by the San Fernando Royal Academy of Fine Arts in Madrid in 1863, after the printing of the series in the possession of Ceán Bermúdez.

There is a surviving *preparatory drawing* for this print which is housed in the Prado Museum in Madrid.

ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

A skeletal figure dressed in a white tunic stretches out his arms in a plea for help. He has an emaciated face, sunken eyes and prominent cheek and jawbones. The figure is surrounded by corpses and the dying, including women and children. Next to this group, some well-dressed, affluent figures ignore their pleas.

The clear sky, which in this case has not been rendered in aquatint, highlights the physical features of the figure begging for mercy. The artist accentuates the man's importance in the composition by dressing him in a white tunic. The clothing of the figures that witness the scene described as being "of another breed" in the title is rendered in aquatint, as are their indifferent faces.

The lack of food during times of war led to high levels of speculation, making fortunes for food producers who had, in the main, previously led a modest lifestyle. These *nouveau riche* changed their habits and dress, influenced by the arrival of new fashions from France. They would meet in the most prestigious, popular places in Madrid - such as Puerta del Sol, calle Carretas and calle Mayor - where there were also improvised morgues, and their prosperity marked a stark contrast with the poverty of the ordinary people.

Jesusa Vega establishes a connection between the second gentleman in the background and a drawing from *Album E* entitled *Contemptuous of the insults* (*Despreciar los Ynsultos*), which contains a self-portrait of the artist.

CONSERVACIÓN

The plate is stored in the National Chalcography (cat. 312).

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