

## men with shields

George Romney



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## Description

George Romney (1734-1802) Satan, Sin and Death

Numbered 93 upper right Pencil on laid paper 15.7 by 18.9 cm., 6 by 7 ¼ in.

This subject is inspired by lines 629 to 814 of book 2 of John Milton's Paradise Lost. Satan has descended into Hell where he is confronted by Death. As they prepare to do battle, Sin intervenes and declares herself to be the daughter of Satan and that Death is their incestuous son.

A related drawing from an album dated March 1790 is recorded in a private collection (see Alex Kidson, George Romney, 2002, p.206, no.125, ill.) A similar drawing is in the Morgan Library, New York.