Primary Maker:

Title: **Keg from the Erie Canal celebration**

Date: ca. 1825

Medium: Oak, metal, paint

Dimensions: **Overall**: 16 x 12 in. (40.6 x 30.5 cm)

Object Number: X.48

Object Name: **Keg**

Classification: **HISTORIC RELICS**

Curatorial Remarks:

Keg used by Governor DeWitt Clinton in pouring the water of Lake Erie into the Atlantic Ocean at Sandy Hook on November 4, 1825 as part of the ceremonies attending the completion of the Erie Canal on October 26, 1825.

Physical Description:

Small wooden barrel with an eagle and the words "WATER" and "Lake Erie" painted on front; brass plaque with inscription attached below rim.

Inscribed: Inscription painted on front of barrel: "WATER / Lake Erie"

Markings: Brass plaque inscribed: "KEG / FROM WHICH GOVERNOR CLINTON / POURED THE WATER OF LAKE ERIE INTO THE ATLANTIC / OCTOBER 26, 1825 / ON THE COMPLETION OF THE ERIE CANAL"

Related Objects: