

by over 2,500 persons. It is intended to hold this year's exhibition during the fortnight, April 11th to 23rd, and to receive contributions up to Saturday the 2nd.

A powerful work by Gabriel Max, one of the younger masters of the Munich School, "The raising of Jairus' daughter," was loaned to the Association by a member of Council, Mr. Drummond, and placed on special exhibition in the Council room for three weeks in the month of March, during which it was visited by upwards of two thousand persons; and again on general exhibition during the term of the Dominion Exhibition, September 13th to 25th. The expenses of gas-fittings and mounting were borne by Mr. Drummond, to whom the thanks of the Association are here again tendered. It is intended to include an artotype reproduction of this picture in the Association's portfolio for 1881.

The very successful Dominion Exhibition held last autumn in this city, was the means, through the co-operation of the Citizens' Committee, not merely of adding to the revenue of the Association, but also of bringing it under the notice of strangers from all parts of Canada who visited Montreal in large numbers on that occasion. The Council, in consideration of the circumstances and of the sum of \$200 granted by the Citizens' Committee, made a special loan collection of one hundred and twenty-one pictures, and reduced the entrance fee to the nominal sum of ten cents. The entire exhibit numbered about three hundred works, the most noteworthy of which was the painting by Gabriel Max, above mentioned, which deeply impressed all beholders. During the ten days of the Exhibition upwards of seven thousand persons visited the rooms, and the receipts exceeded the expenses by the sum of \$780.

With the view of increasing the membership of the Association the Council, on the recommendation of a committee, has sanctioned the publication of a Portfolio of artotype prints from paintings exhibited in the gallery, and from sketches made by artists for this purpose. Specimens of these prints are on the table. It is proposed to present a copy of this work to each member for 1881, and some volunteers have undertaken to canvass for new members so soon as it is published. Should this venture prove to be a success it might be repeated annually.