

THIRD ANNUAL EXHIBITION.

This year the Toronto Art Museum arranged with the Public Library Board to utilize as a gallery the spacious rooms not required at present for library purposes in the new Public Reference Building, on the corner of College and St. George Streets, to be used until the Art Museum is built in the Grange property, and it was deemed advisable to hold the club's exhibitions in this gallery. The Third Annual Exhibition was, therefore, held in the gallery of the Toronto Art Museum from the 7th to the 27th of January, 1910.

On the occasion of the opening of the exhibition the President, Mr. Homer Watson, gave a short address, followed by the Hon. President, Mr. D. R. Wilkie, and His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. Gibson, who declared the exhibition open to the public.

The Hon. President, Mr. Wilkie:—

This will be the Third Annual Exhibition of the Canadian Art Club. The previous exhibitions were held in the old historic building on Adelaide Street, amongst surroundings which the members only left after considerable hesitation and with much regret.

The Art Museum of Toronto having come into practical existence and having invited the club to make use of these galleries for its exhibitions, the club decided to avail itself of the generous offer, without, however, in any way sacrificing its identity, its aims, its ideals or its organization. On the contrary, it is believed that under the mantle of the museum the club will be brought more prominently before the people and will form a stronger force in moulding national aims.

If advantage is taken by the public to view this and other exhibitions which will be held in these galleries, the mind of even the average man will be permanently improved, his tastes will be elevated and he will be brought into closer communion with nature, not only he, but those under his influence.