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EMIL CARLSEN

1853-1932



BLUE-AND-WHITE JUG AND VASE

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EMIL CARLSEN was born in 1853 and died in 1932.

During his long life he was concerned only with the beauty inherent in the subjects he chose to paint, whether these were still-lives, landscapes, or marines, and in making them more beautiful than they appeared to the visual eye. In other words he was frankly a creator of beauty for its own sake. A careful, pains-taking worker, and a severe critic, he was never content to call a picture finished until he was satisfied that one more touch would spoil it.

Toward the end of his career the slogan "contact with life," as the Alpha and Omega for the contemporary artist, was coming into vogue, and while Carlsen had no quarrel with the theory that an artist should reflect or interpret the life of his time, he was very impatient at much of the "sloppy work," as he called it, produced by many of the younger painters in their haste and anxiety to "express themselves" in commentaries on the contemporary scene.

Through all the changes that took place in the approach to art during the decade preceding his death, Carlsen kept on his even way searching out beauty as it appeared and appealed to him and reproducing it with infinite care, understanding and affection. How well he succeeded in carrying through his purpose may, we think, be seen in this exhibition, the first to be held of his still-lives exclusively.

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