



### Max Liebermann

#### Heimkehrender Arbeiter, zwei Skizzen (Labourer returning from work, two studies)

Ink on velin, mounted on cardboard, 207 x 133 mm

on recto, at upper centre, inscribed in ink: "Kunst = Erlebnis u. Einbildungskraft". To lower right of the upper drawing, monogrammed in ink: "ML"; to lower right of the lower drawing, signed in ink: "MLiebermann"

on verso, a handwritten, undated letter, J. van Loo to Max Liebermann: "Je vous pris de trouver sous ce pli un exemplaire de la circulaire formant règlement de notre exposition et qui contient tous les renseignements relatifs à l'exposition des œuvres et à la formation du catalogue. / Veuillez agréer Monsieur les nouvelles assurances de mes sentiments de haute consideration. / J. van Loo / A Monsieur le professeur Max Liebermann à Berlin"; inscribed in pencil at upper left: "12"

#### Provenance:

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By latest 2012: Cornelius Gurlitt, Munich/Salzburg

From 6 May 2014: Estate of Cornelius Gurlitt

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**Note:**

This is one of several Liebermann works in the Schwabing Art Trove for which the artist used discarded stationery or letters as drawing material.

Since this work is signed and does not bear an estate stamp, it is unlikely that it was part of the Liebermann estate.

This work is mounted with another Liebermann drawing, *Man towing a boat on a canal in a flat landscape* (Lost Art ID: 478289).

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