No. 45.]

BILL.

[1870.

An Act to incorporate "The Society of Canadian Artists."

WHEREAS Charles J. May, O. R. Jacobi, A. Vogt Allan Preamble. Edson and other Artists, members of an Association of Canadian Artists, have by Petition set forth that they have during the last two years existed as an association known as

- during the last two years existed as an association known as 5 "The Society of Canadian Artists," having for their object the advancement of the Fine Arts in the Dominion of Canada, by elevating the standard of art, training artists throughout this Dominion and inciting them to emulation in the production of works of art for public exhibition and disposal, in the
- 10 manner practised by the Art Unions of Great Britain, France, and other European Powers, and for these purposes to establish and maintain schools of art and design, Art libraries, Picture Galleries, and Art unions, at the same time providing for the relief of indigent artists, their widows and
- 15 children, in case of sickness, old age, or death, by an annual subscription of its members, to form a fund distributable according to their wants and necessities; and that they are desirous of being enabled to carry out the objects of such association, by legislative enactment, incorporating them 20 under the name of "The Society of Canadian Artists," and
- 20 under the name of "The Society of Canadian Artists," and whereas it is expedient to grant their prayer: Therefore Her-Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows :---

 The said Charles J. May, O. R. Jacobi, A. Vogt, Allan Certain
25 Edson, and all other persons, being artists, who may, by persons incorporated, and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, under the name of "The Society of Canadian Artists," for all and every the purposes and ends aforesaid, and, under
30 the said name, may acquire, by any legal title whatever, such real estate as they may require for their actual use and occupation, as such association; and may sell and alienate any real estate held by them, and acquire other instead thereof, for the purposes of this Act, and may acquire any other real
35 estate or interest therein, by gift, devise, or bequest, and may hold such real estate for a period of not more than five years, but the same, or any part, or portion thereof, or interest therein which may not, within the said period, have been alienated, shall revert to the party from whom the same was
40 acquired, his heirs, or other representatives.

2. The Corporation shall have power to administer their Officers of affairs by such and so many councillors, and other officers, ^{Corporation} and under such restrictions as touching their powers and duties as any By-laws in that behalf they may, from time to