acancies.

47. All vacancies which may occur by death, resignation or otherwise. shall be filled up by the Minister of Agriculture, upon the recommendation of the Board of Arts and Manufactures.

Indemnity to Members.

48. The Board shall not pay or allow to its members any sum of money for acting as such, except the amount of their actual necessary expenses in attending the regular meetings of the Board.

Secretary-Treasurer.

2. But the Board may appoint a Secretary Treasurer from among its. members or otherwise, and may pay him a reasonable salary for his services.

49. The Board of Aits and Manufactures shall be a body corporate, 10 Board to be a body corpowith power to acquire and hold land and real and personal estate for the purposes of its incorporation.

Duties of Board,

rate.

50. It shall be the duty of the Board of Arts and Manufactures :

Musaums.

1. To take measures, with the approbation of the Minister of Agraculture, to collect and establish, at Montreal, for the instruction of 15 practical mechanics and artizans, Museums of Minerals and other Material substances and Chemical compositions, susceptible of being used in Arts and Manufactures, with model rooms, appropriately stocked and supplied with models of works of art, and of implements and machines. other than implements of husbandry, and machines adapted to facilitate 20agricultural operations; and also, free Libraries, containing Books of Reference, Plans and Drawings, selected with a view to the imparting of useful information in connection with Mechanical Arts and Manufactures;

New implements and machines.

Libraries.

General purposę.

Schools of design:

2. To take measures to obtain from other countries new or improved 25 implements and machines (not being implements of husbandry or machines specially adapted to facilitate agricultural operations), and to test the quality, value and usofulness of such implements and machines ;

3. And generally to adopt every means in their power to promote improvement in the Arts and Manufactures of the Province. < 30

51. The said Boards, with the consent and approbation of the Minister of Agriculture, may establish, in connection with the respective Museums, Model Rooms and Libraries, Schools of Design for females, on the most approved plan, and furnished and supplied in the most complete and appropriate manner that the funds at their disposal will 35 admit of, regard being had to the claims thereon of the other objects for which they are hereby established.

Models, &c.,

2. And the Minister of Agriculture may cause duplicates or copies of of invention 1 models, plans, specimens, and drawings, and specifications, deposited in the Patent Office, and upon which patents of Invention have been 40 issued, to be made from time to time, and placed in the Model Rooms, Museums or Libraries of the Boards of Arts and Manufactures;

3. The Board may also found Schools or Colleges for mechanics and

artizans, and may employ competent persons to deliver lectures on sub-

Ald to schools, &c.

Lectures.

jects connected with the Arts and Sciences, or with Manufactures. Publication of

52. The Board shall keep records of its transactions and proceed." transactions, ings; and shall, from time to time, publish, in such manner and form as to secure the widest circulation among the Mechanics' Institutes, and