

in this competition he shall be entitled to enter free in the following year in the provincial competition of agricultural merit, on complying with the rules concerning such competition.

8. That besides the county competition of agricultural merit, prizes be offered; 1. To the house-wife who, in each county, shall obtain from a single cow, the greatest quantity of butter in the year, or the equivalent of butter in milk; 2. To the house-wife in each county who shall obtain the highest net return from her poultry.

9. The council adopts clause by clause, the hereinafter annexed codification of the rules of the Council of Agriculture; this codification shall in future replace all the previous general rules, which are hereby annulled.

10. That Mr. Eugene Casgrain form part of the committee on Pedigree Books.

11. Resolved that the sum of fifty dollars be granted to Mr. N. O. Rinfret for the numerous services which he has rendered and the work he has performed in connection with the competition of agricultural merit.

12. The Honorable Commissioner of Agriculture lays before the Council an application to annul the general election of directors of the Agricultural Society of Bellechasse. The Council orders further information to be taken respecting the matter.

Extract from the minutes of the Council of Agriculture, dated the 24th of December, 1890. E. A. BARNARD.

Secretary of the Council of Agriculture and
Director of the Journal of Agriculture.

REGULATIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURE IN FORCE ON THE FIRST OF JANUARY, 1891.

CHAPTER I.

The Council.

ART. 1. MEETINGS.—The regular meetings of the Council of Agriculture are fixed for the last Wednesday of each of the months of February, May and October.

ART. 2. CONVOCATIONS.—The notices convening the meetings of the Council shall be sent by registered letter to each member of the Council.

ART. 3. The veterinary surgeons of the Council shall be invited to attend all the sittings of the Council.

ART. 4. ADMISSION.—The representatives of the Press are admitted to the sittings of the Council of Agriculture.

ART. 5. No one can be heard before the Council of Agriculture, unless he has previously obtained permission.

ART. 6. ELECTIONS.—The election of the officers of the Council of Agriculture are held at the October meeting, in each year.

ART. 7. COMMITTEES.—At the same meeting the Council appoints the following committees: 1. The Committee on the Competition of Agricultural Merit; 2. The Committee on Agricultural Schools; 3. The Committee on the Journal of Agriculture; 4. The Committee on the Pedigree Books of the various breeds of registered animals.

CHAPTER II.

Committee and Regulations of Schools.

ART. 8. PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FOR ADMISSION TO VETERINARY SCHOOLS.—The Committee on schools is charged with the duty of holding a preliminary examination of students who wish to enter the veterinary schools and it is empowered to appoint a delegate to represent it.

ART. 9. THE SECRETARY TO ATTEND THE SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.—The secretary of the Council is bound to arrange with the directors of the Veterinary and Agricultural schools with reference to the preliminary examinations to be passed by students who are granted bursaries. He shall also attend the examinations.

ART. 10. VISIT TO THE AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS.—The Agricultural schools shall be visited every three months, before the quarterly payment, under the special authorisation of the Commissioner, so as to encourage the schools and students to do their best, and the report on such visits shall be sent in as soon as possible to the Commissioner.

ART. 11. AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS.—The Agricultural schools officially recognized by the Council, shall give efficient instruction to their students, and for that purpose shall cultivate, on the principles of model farming, a farm of not less than eighty-six *arpents*. The said farm shall have animals of improved breeds and the best of agricultural implements. A complete system of agricultural book-keeping shall be followed.

ART. 12. STUDENTS HOLDING BURSARIES.—Each agricultural society in the Province has the privilege of recommending a student to the Commissioner for a bursary, and such student shall be allowed free board and tuition at the agricultural school indicated to him, provided that he complies with the regulations approved by the Commissioner for the government of such schools.

ART. 13. Students allowed bursaries have to undergo a two months' trial in the schools, and to establish both their capacity and willingness before being definitively admitted to the privileges of free bursaries.

ART. 14. REPORTS OF AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS.—Each Agricultural school is obliged to transmit to the Commissioner, on or before the first of September of each year, a detailed report on everything respecting: 1. The school proper, grounds, buildings, system of instruction followed; 2. The name and address of each of the students, the date of their entering and leaving the school, the degree of instruction attained by each of them, the place where each one comes from and where he intends to live when he leaves the school; 3. The remuneration given to each student for his work; 4. The results of the farming during the year, as regards the farm, garden, animals etc.; 5. The accounts of the farm, garden, cattle, etc., for the year ending on the first of April preceding.

ART. 15. Everything which does not directly relate to the instruction given, whether theoretical or practical, shall form the subject-matter of a special report separate from the annual report.

ART. 16. GRANT TO AGRICULTURAL SCHOOLS.—No grant shall be given to Agricultural schools which have not had an average of at least ten students during the preceding scholastic year, unless the Committee on schools consider that there are valid reasons for recommending the payment of the grant or of such portion thereof as they may deem equitable.

ART. 17. The annual grant to each school is \$2,000.00 payable quarterly in advance, provided such schools comply, in every respect, with the regulations approved by the Commissioner for their government, subject to the provisions of the preceding article.

CHAPTER III.

Pedigree-Books.

ART. 18. The Commission on pedigree-books consists of three members of the Council of Agriculture and of such specialists as the Council may appoint to act with them. They select a chairman and a secretary, who are elected every year.

ART. 19. The following books are established:

1. A stud-book for Canadian horses;
2. A herd-book for Canadian cattle;
3. A golden register for the same breed;
4. A herd-book for the different breeds of sheep;
5. A herd-book for the different breeds of swine;

ART. 20. The object of these books is to assure the maintenance of the purity of the best types of these various kinds of animals and to contribute to their improvement by judicious and constant selection.

ART. 21. The organisation, administration and supervision of the pedigree-books are centred in the Commission; they order the printing of the bulletins and decide finally upon all difficulties and differences of opinion which may arise. They elect a recording secretary from amongst their members, whose duty it is to draw up the minutes of their meetings. They have power to associate with themselves the specialists whose services may be necessary for the fulfillment of their duties.

ART. 22. The following are admitted to registration in the above mentioned pedigree-books: 1. Thoroughbred breeding animals which possess to an advantageous degree the form and qualities of their respective breeds. They are admitted only after a severe examination. Consequently, it is not sufficient that a fine animal be brought forward for such animal to be registered; its antecedents, origin and qualities must be established to the satisfaction of the Commission; 2. Animals whose sires and dams are already registered and which are strongly recommended to the