

—or for giving prizes for Agricultural produce, animals, articles of domestic Manufacture and Works of Art, or for any other purpose calculated to promote the welfare of the Province, not inconsistent with this Act.

- Objects of Societies.** **62.** The object of the said Societies shall be—to encourage improve- **5**
ment in Agriculture, Horticulture, and domestic Manufactures:
- Lecturers &c.** 1. By holding meetings for discussion, and for hearing lectures on
the theory and practice of Agriculture;
- Periodicals.** 2. By contributing to the circulating of periodicals specially devoted
to Agriculture, published in the Province; **10**
- Seeds, &c.** 3. By importing, or otherwise procuring, new seeds, plants, and
stock of new and valuable kinds;
- Prize Essays.** 4. By offering prizes for essays on questions relating to Agricultural
science;
- Premiums.** 5. And by awarding premiums for excellence in—the raising or in- **15**
troduction of stock of the best breeds,—the invention of Agricultural
Implements and Machines,—production of all kinds of vegetables,—for
superiority in any Agricultural or Horticultural production or opera-
tion,—and generally for improvements in any articles of manufacture
connected with or relating to Agriculture; **20**
- How funds are to be expended.** 6. The funds of the Societies derived from the subscriptions of mem-
bers, or the public grant, shall not be expended for any object inconsis-
tent with this Act.
- Annual show.** **63.** The County Societies shall be required in each year to hold at
least one Annual Show for the exhibition of Agricultural produce and **25**
Farm stock, and of articles of domestic manufacture;
- Prizes.** 2. Prizes shall be granted at the Shows for the best specimens in the
manner prescribed by the Board of Directors, and whereof notice shall
be posted in each parish and township of the County;
- Distribution of Prizes, &c.** 3. The prizes shall be distributed in money, books on Agriculture, **30**
or papers specially devoted to Agriculture, Agricultural Implements of
an improved description, or seed grain of superior quality, on the award
of at least two Judges, appointed by the Board of Directors of the
county; But the Judges shall not receive any of the prizes awarded, and
shall not be allowed more than two dollars for inspecting at an exhibition, **35**
nor more than twenty dollars for the inspection of growing crops.
- Judges not to receive prizes.**
- Experimental Farm or Public Granary, &c.** **64.** If the Board of Directors of any Society consider that any other
system might advantageously be substituted for that of Shows, and that
the sum allotted to each Society may be better applied either to the
establishment of an experimental Farm or an Agricultural School, or **40**
for a public Granary, or in promoting Agricultural improvements by any
other means, then the Society, through its Board of Directors, may so
apply the said sum, provided notice thereof has been given to the Board
of Agriculture, and its approval of the proposition obtained.
- Salary of Secretary-Treasurer** **65.** No portion of the moneys belonging to any Society shall be ap- **45**
plied to the payment of a salary or allowance;—except, that a sum no
exceeding seven per cent. shall be allowed to the Secretary-Treasure-
on all moneys expended by the Society under this Act, in lieu of salary
and allowance for stationery and other general contingent expenses.

MEETINGS AND OFFICERS.

- Annual meetings.** **66.** The Agricultural Societies shall hold their annual meetings, in **50**
the months of January or February in each year, after notice to that
effect, given by the Secretary by advertisements, or posted up in
each parish or township within the territorial limits thereof: