

4. Vacancies through death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be filled up by the Minister of Agriculture. Casual vacancies.

13. The first election shall take place at the annual meeting in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five in each of the Districts designated by odd numbers in Schedules A and B of this Act, and the persons so elected shall replace the four retiring members; The other six Districts shall each elect a member at the annual meetings in one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, to replace the remaining four members whose term of service will then expire. When first election shall take place.
Second elections.

10 14. The said Boards shall not pay or allow any sum to the members thereof, for acting as such, except the amount of their actual necessary expenses in attending the regular meetings of the Board; but each of the Boards may appoint a Secretary and Treasurer from among its members or otherwise, and may pay a reasonable salary for such services; The Treasurer shall give such sureties as the Board requires. Members to act gratuitously.
Secretary and Treasurer may be paid.

MEETINGS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARDS.

15. The regular meetings of the Boards shall be held pursuant to adjournment, or be called by the Secretary, at the instance of the President or Vice-President, or upon the written request of three members; and at least five days' notice of such meetings shall be given to each member: Regular meetings of the Boards.

2. The members of the Boards of Agriculture shall elect from among themselves a President and Vice-President, at their first meeting after each annual election; Election of President.

25 3. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, the Board may appoint a Chairman *pro tempore*; Chairman *pro tem.*

4. Five members of the Board shall be a *quorum*. Quorum.

16. It shall be the duty of the Boards: Duty of Boards.

1. To receive the Reports of Agricultural Societies, and before granting the certificates hereinafter mentioned, to see that they have complied with the law; 30

2. To procure and set in operation, with the approbation of the Minister of Agriculture, experimental farms in connection or not with some public school, college or university, or otherwise, and to retain the management thereof; 35 Experimental Farms.

3. To establish, at Toronto and Montreal respectively, an Agricultural Museum and an Agricultural and Horticultural Library; Agricultural Museum.

4. To take measures to obtain from other countries, animals of new or improved breeds, new varieties of seeds, improved implements of husbandry, or machines which may appear adapted to facilitate agricultural operations, and to test the superiority of such animals, seeds, vegetables or other productions, implements and machines; 40 Importation of improved breeds of animals.

5. The Boards of Agriculture shall pass by-laws, and allow persons desirous of practising as veterinary surgeons to undergo an examination; and upon proof to the satisfaction of the Board that they possess 45 Veterinary Surgeons. Boards may grant certificates.