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one time; And provided always that one or more County or separate Societies may unite their funds, or any part thereof, for purchasing land and all requisites for a Model Farm or for chase a model land on which to erect buildings for exhibitions or for giving prizes for Agricultural produce, Animals, articles of Manufacture and works of Art, or for any other purpose calculated to encourage the welfare of the Province, not inconsistent herewith.

Allowance out of public moconditions.

XIV. When the President, Vice-President and Secretary of the Board of Agriculture shall certify to the Minister of Agrineys to socie- culture that any Society has sent, to the said Board, Reports and Statements as required by this Act for the year then last previous, and shall also certify that the Treasurer or other officer of the said Society has transmitted to the said Board an affidavit which may be in the form of Schedule B of this Act, and may be sworn to before any Justice of the Peace, who is hereby authorized to administer the same, stating the number of members then belonging to the said Society whose subscriptions for the then current year have been paid up and are in the hands of the Treasurer, it shall be lawful for the Governor of this Province to issue his Warrant in favor of such Society for a sum to be taken out of any unappropriated moneys in the hands of the Receiver General, equal to three times the amount appearing, by the said affidavit, to be in the hands of the Treasurer; Provided that no grant shall be made unless twenty pounds be first subscribed and paid to the Treasurer; And provided that the whole amount granted to any County Society or to the Societies of any County, if more than one be organized therein, shall not in any year be more than two hundred pounds; And provided always that the separate Society constituted as per section eleven, shall not be authorized to receive more than one half of the grant given to the County Society.

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XV. The Board of Agriculture shall receive from Government, and pay over to the Societies, the public money to which they are respectively entitled, and if two Societies be organized in any County and they together raise a sum exceeding twenty pounds, the Board shall divide the County Grant between them in proportion to the amount subscribed and paid by each, and it shall be lawful for the said Board to retain, for the use of the Agricultural Association, one tenth part of all such grants.

Division of County Grant, through the Board of Agriculture.

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Penalty for false state. ment of subscription.

XVI. Any Treasurer or other Officer of a Society who shall make affidavit before any person authorized by Law to administer an oath, that a subscription, or any sum of money has been paid to him for the Society, when it has not been so paid, or who shall return any such subscription as a bond fide subscription, knowing the same not to be bond f.de, shall be held to have committed perjury. XVII.