

replace the remaining four members whose term of service will then expire.

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.

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;

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;

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, to test the superiority of such animals, seeds, vegetables or other productions, implements and machines.

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 the requisite qualifications, may grant them certificates of capacity as veterinary surgeons.

Veterinary Surgeons. Board may grant certificates.

17. The said Boards shall keep a Record of their respective transactions, and shall, from time to time, publish, in such manner as to secure the widest circulation among the Agricultural Societies and farmers, all Reports, Essays, Lectures and other information which the Boards may consider useful to the public:

Records of their transactions, &c.,

2. The Boards shall publish a Journal, or adopt, as their channel of communication with Agricultural Societies, the Agricultural Journals now published in Upper and Lower Canada respectively; Agricultural Societies receiving any share of the Public Grant shall give, at least, one month's notice of the time and place of holding their Exhibitions in the Journals so published or adopted by the Boards.

Board to publish a Journal of Agriculture.

18. The said Boards shall forthwith transmit to the Bureau of Agriculture a copy of their proceedings, and at the commencement of each

Copy of proceedings, &c., to be sent to Bureau.