

10 RULES AND REGULATIONS, ST. JOHN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

3. The Agricultural Societies already established, as also any other Societies hereafter to be organized, shall be respectively entitled to receive annually, in the manner hereinafter provided, as a bounty, treble the amount of the subscription by them severally so made, raised, and paid in; but no County shall be entitled to receive a greater sum in the aggregate than eight hundred dollars in any one year; and the aggregate sum which any County may be entitled to shall be apportioned among the several Societies within the same, where there are more than one, in just proportion, according to the amount of subscriptions made, raised, and paid in by such Societies respectively; but such proportionment shall not prevent any Society from receiving the sum of one hundred and eighty dollars. The annual sum to be drawn for each County, where there is but one County Society, shall not exceed six hundred dollars.

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16. Any Agricultural Society, by its officers, is hereby authorized and empowered to define and lay off bounds for pens and yards; make appropriations in money for cattle shows and exhibitions, and provide suitable places for ploughing matches, and ways and passages towards the same, as may be considered necessary; and no person shall intrude upon such lands, or enter the same, unless in conformity with the rules of such Society, or without the authority or consent of some officer of the Society then present; and any person, after notice, intruding upon or entering such bounds, shall forfeit the sum of two dollars, to be recovered before any Justice of the Peace of the County on complaint of any officer of the Society, according to the provisions of the one hundred and thirty-eighth chapter of the Revised Statutes, and when recovered shall be paid over to the County Treasurer for the use of the County; provided that nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to authorize any Agricultural Society to occupy any land without the consent of the owner, or any public highway in such manner as to obstruct the public use thereof.

17. The several Agricultural Societies shall be subject to the supervision of the Governor in Council, and shall be accountable thereto; and the Secretary for Agriculture shall have the right to attend the meeting of any Agricultural Society and be present at their deliberations, and also to examine the books and papers of any Society, and take copies of the same, as he may think proper; and may, if he deem it necessary, hold an enquiry, under oath, into the affairs and management of any Society.