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Board of Agriculture.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 96 OF THE "REVISED STATUTES" "OF THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF AGRICULTURE."

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:—

1. Five members of the Board of Agriculture shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

2. The officers of the several societies, elected at the annual December meetings in each of the four rural districts, shall then nominate one person to be a member of the central Board in place of the member for such district who may go out, the secretary of the society shall forthwith transmit to the secretary of the central Board the name of the person nominated, and the person nominated by the greatest number of the societies in the district, shall be a member of the Board in place of the retiring member.

3. In addition to the sum mentioned in section 12, the Board shall be entitled to draw from the Treasury annually, such further sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, as the governor in council may authorize, from which shall be paid to the several societies by order from its President on the Treasurer of the Board, the amount it may be entitled to receive in proportion to the sum annually raised by subscription and payment, which sum shall be certified by the oath of the secretary of the society.

4. The rules and bye-laws of any society shall not be repealed or altered without the consent of a majority of the members present at a general meeting.

5. So much of this chapter as is inconsistent with this act is hereby repealed.

DISTRIBUTION OF SAMPLES OF AGRICULTURAL SEEDS BY THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

The following seeds, grown under direction of the Rev. Dr. Forrester, from samples presented to the province by the Commissioners of the International Exhibition, have been distributed by the Board of Agriculture to some of the leading agriculturists in the different parts of the province, with a view to experiment; and we hope to be able to make known the results in the fall:—

1. Bald Tuscan Wheat, Victoria Australia - - - 1 packet.
2. New South Wales Wheat (64 lbs. per bush) - - - 4 "
3. Canada Spring Wheat - - - 1 "
4. Italian Wheat, bearded, No. 34 - - - 1 "
5. Australian Wheat, Victoria - - - 1 "
6. Italian Barley - - - 1 "
7. Black Swedish Vetches - - - 1 "
8. Golden Vine Pea - - - 1 "
9. Dwarf Italian Pea, No. 64 - - - 1 "
10. Tender Pod Pea - - - 10 "
11. Swedish Pea (A.G.S., A.L.) - - - 1 "
12. Black Pea, Canada - - - 1 "
13. Canadian Pea, very early - - - 2 "
14. Canadian Pea, very large - - - 1 "

TOTAL - 27 packets.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE GOODRICH SEEDLING POTATOES, BY THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

The Goodrich Potatoes purchased by the Board of Agriculture, from the family of the late Mr. Goodrich, have been distributed to the following persons, and societies, who have undertaken to cultivate them carefully, with a view to disseminate them among the farmers of their respective localities. The various recipients have been requested to furnish a report of the results to the Board, prior to the semi-annual meeting in October next:—

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