

Board of Agriculture, so constituted as such Council, in its Corporate capacity, and no other contracts, agreements, actions or proceedings shall bind or affect the Association.

Grants to Association Societies or Institutes.

XXXVI. It shall be lawful for the Municipality of any City, Town, Village, County or Township in this Province, to grant money or land in aid of the Agricultural Association for that part of the Province to which the Municipality belongs, or of any Agricultural or Horticultural Society whatever duly organized under this Act, or of any incorporated Mechanics' Institute, within the limits of such Municipality. 10

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES, UPPER CANADA.

COUNTY OR ELECTORAL DIVISION SOCIETIES.

Organization of County Societies.

XXXVII. An Agricultural Society may be organized in each of the Electoral Divisions of Upper Canada in which there is not one already organized at the date of the passing of this Act, whenever fifty persons shall become Members thereof by signing a Declaration in the form of the Schedule A. to this Act annexed, and paying each not less than five shillings annually to the Funds of the said Society; and a true copy of the said Declaration shall (within one month after the money has been so paid) be transmitted to the Board of Agriculture. 15

Objects of such Societies and of Township or Branch Societies.

XXXVIII. The object of the said Societies, and of the Township or Branch Societies in connection therewith, shall be to encourage improvement in Agriculture or Horticulture, or both, by holding Meetings for discussion, and for hearing Lectures on subjects connected with the theory and practice of improved Husbandry, by promoting the circulation of the Agricultural Periodicals published in the Province, by importing or otherwise procuring Seeds, Plants and Animals of new and valuable kinds, by offering prizes for Essays on Questions of Scientific Enquiry relating to Agriculture or Horticulture, Manufactures and Works of Art, and by awarding Premiums for Excellence in the raising or introduction of Stock, the invention or improvement of Agricultural or Horticultural Implements and Machines, the production of grain and of all kinds of vegetables, plants, flowers and fruits, and generally for excellence in any Agricultural or Horticultural Production or Operation, Article of Manufacture or Work of Art; and it shall not be lawful to expend the Funds of the Societies, derived from subscriptions of Members, or the Public Grant, for any object inconsistent with those above mentioned; and the Directors of every such County Society at any meeting which shall be called by written notice as hereinafter mentioned, and in which notice the object of the meeting shall have been specified, shall have full power to make, alter and repeal By-laws and Rules for the regulation of such Society and the carrying out of its objects. 20 25 30 35 40