

PROVINCIAL AID TO SUCH SOCIETIES.

Amount of Provincial aid, and conditions on which it is granted.

35. When the President and Secretary of the Board of Agriculture certify to the Minister of Agriculture, that any Society has sent to the Board the Reports and Statements required by this Act, for the year then last previous, and also certify that the Treasurer or other officer of the said Society has, on or before the first day of July, in the then current year, transmitted to the said Board, an affidavit (in the form of Schedule C of this Act, and sworn to before any Justice of the Peace,) stating the number of members belonging to the said Society whose subscriptions for the then current year have been paid up, and are in the hands of the Treasurer, the Governor may issue his Warrant 10 in favor of such Society, for a sum to be paid out of any unappropriated moneys in the hands of the Receiver General, equal to three times the amount appearing by the affidavit, to be in the hands of the Treasurer :

Certain amount to be first subscribed.

2. No grant shall be made unless eighty dollars be first subscribed 15 and paid to the Treasurer ; and the whole amount granted to any Society shall not in any year be more than eight hundred dollars ; and any balance of such sum remaining unclaimed in consequence of insufficient subscription, or any other reason, shall be placed to the credit of the Board of Agriculture. 20

False affidavits.

36. Any Treasurer or other officer of a society who makes 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 not been so paid, or who returns any such subscription as a *bona fide* subscription, knowing the same to be a *bona fide*, shall be 25 held to have committed a perjury.

Division of County grant.

37. The Board of Agriculture shall receive from the 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 eighty dollars, the Board shall 30 divide the County Grant between them in conformity with the provisions of section twenty-two ; but the Board may retain, for the purposes of its incorporation, one-tenth part of all such grants.

INTERPRETATION—AND MONEYS RECEIVED UNDER FORMER ACTS IN LOWER CANADA.

Interpretation.

38. In the sections of this Act applying to Agricultural Societies in Lower Canada, the words "Electoral Division" mean a Division for 35 purposes of representation in the Legislative Assembly.

Application.

2. Every such Electoral Division shall be deemed a County, and all the provisions hereof relating to Agriculture in Lower Canada shall apply to such Electoral Division ;

Counties hereinafter formed.

3. The sections of this Act, relative to Agricultural Societies in 40 Lower Canada, shall, as regards Grants, Counties and Electoral Divisions, and conditions of Grants, extend to any new Counties or new Electoral Divisions to be hereinafter formed in Lower Canada ; except that no new Electoral Divisions shall be entitled to more than eight hundred dollars for any one year ; 45