

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 five 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 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 The rules and bye-laws of any Society shall not be repealed without the consent of a majority of the members present at a general meeting.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 So much of this chapter as is inconsistent with this act, is hereby repealed.

## 29° VICTORIÆ, CAP. 22.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROVINCIAL STOCK FARM.

(Passed the 7th day of May, A.D., 1866.)

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

1. The Board of Agriculture may purchase, take, and hold real estate not exceeding twelve thousand dollars in value, for the purpose of establishing a stock farm, to be situated in some central locality, and from the funds at its disposal may expend such sum as may be necessary for providing suitable buildings thereon and in managing the farm.

2. The fee simple of such real estate shall be in the President of the Board for the time being; and the farm shall be conducted under the directions of the Board.

3. The object and use of the farm shall be for keeping thereon the stock belonging to the Province, and raising pure or improved breeds for distribution therein; under such terms and conditions as the Board may determine.

## 30° VICTORIÆ, CAP. 29.

AN ACT FURTHER TO AMEND CHAPTER 96 OF THE REVISED STATUTES, "OF THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF AGRICULTURE," AND THE ACT IN AMENDMENT THEREOF.

(Passed the 7th day of May, A.D., 1867.)

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

1. In Counties where more than four Societies are, or may be formed, the Board shall be empowered, if deemed judicious, and on special application, to recognize the whole or any of such additional Societies, and to divide the County Grant among the whole of the Societies, including those so recognized.

2. The correctness of the certificate of annual subscriptions, paid into the funds of each Society, shall be certified under the oath of its Secretary or Treasurer before such Society shall be entitled to draw its proportion of annual grant.

3. The Board shall be entitled to expend out of the grant placed at their disposal, for expenses of management, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, to pay the salaries of their officers, and a further sum not exceeding one hundred dollars for stationery and other incidental expenses.

4. So much of said Chapter and of the Act in amendment thereof, as is inconsistent with this act, is hereby repealed.

## 34° VICTORIÆ, CAP. 13.

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

(Passed the 4th day of April, A.D., 1871.)

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

1. From and after the passing of this Act, the Board of Agriculture shall consist of twenty-one persons; four Members to be selected from the County of Halifax, and one Member from each of the other Counties of the Province.

2. The mode of selection of such Members shall be as follows: Each Agricultural Society in a County shall elect one of its Members to represent such Society, and such Representatives shall meet as soon as conveniently may be, and elect one of their number (except in the County of Halifax, where four shall be elected) to represent such County at the Central Board, and the Members so elected shall be thereupon appointed by the Governor in Council to such Board of Agriculture.

3. The Members of the Board shall annually retire from office, but shall be capable of re-election.

4. Anything in the Act hereby amended inconsistent with this Act is repealed.

## 35° VICTORIÆ, CAP. 27.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 13 OF THE ACTS OF 1871, RELATING TO THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

(Passed the 18th day of April, A.D., 1872.)

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

1. The first section of Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1871, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes "Of the Encouragement of Agriculture," is amended by omitting therefrom the words "twenty-one persons," and by adding at the end of such section the words "having an agricultural society or societies."

2. All proceedings of the Board of Agriculture had or taken since the passing of the Act hereby amended are legalized and confirmed.

## 35° VICTORIÆ, CAP. 29.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH FARMERS' CLUBS IN THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

(Passed the 18th day of April, 1872.)

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

1. The Central Board of Agriculture for the purposes of this Act shall be called the "Bureau of Agriculture," to be governed and controlled as at present constituted.

2. The Bureau of Agriculture may establish one or more societies in the different Counties of Nova Scotia, to be called "Farmers' Clubs," for the purpose of mutual agricultural and horticultural improvement.

3. Any number of persons not less than fifteen, may organize and form themselves into a Farmers' club for any County or district in a County, by signing a declaration in the form in Schedule A to this Act, to be addressed to the Bureau of Agriculture. Such declaration shall be in duplicate, signed by the persons aforesaid, one part thereof to be held and filed with the secretary after his election, and the other to be filed with the Secretary of the Bureau of Agriculture.

4. The Club so formed shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, to be elected by a majority of the Club, who, with one other member to be chosen, shall constitute a standing committee. All such officers shall be elected annually.

5. The fee for membership shall be two dollars a year.

6. It shall be the duty of such Club to keep a record of their respective transactions, to prepare statistics in all the branches of agricultural and horticultural industry in their several counties, and to publish in such a manner and form as to secure the widest circulation in the Province among the Clubs and Agricultural