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PLAN OF A SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING AGRICULTURE IN THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

HIS EXCELLENCY GOVERNOR PARR, PATRON.

1. ANY person subscribing and paying one guinea, or upwards annually, to be applied to such purposes as the society shall direct; may be a member of the society.

2. There shall be a general meeting of the members at Halifax, on the First Tuesday in December; and a president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary, shall be then chosen to serve the ensuing year.

3. Twenty Directors shall be annually chosen at the above meeting; and those directors shall have authority to make rules, propose premiums and establish regulations for conducting the affairs of the society; and any six of them, with the president, or vice-president, may proceed to business: But no person shall be eligible for a director, unless he is a member of the society.

4. As gentlemen in distant parts of the province may be desirous to become members of the society, and to promote its design; some of those, in different districts, shall be chosen for directors: And these, if not present at meetings of the directors, may, by letter, suggest their sentiments on any matter; and their letter is to be considered as equivalent to their vote on that subject.

5. There shall be three stated times in the year for the directors to meet; namely, the second Tuesday in March, June and September: But the president or vice-president may call occasional meetings at other times, as business shall require; and the treasurer and secretary, when present,

shall have a vote at those meetings equally with other members.

6. The members shall pay in their subscriptions to the treasurer, at or before the annual meeting in December: And the treasurer shall make up his accounts to be laid before the society at the same time.

7. The Honourable Richard Bulkeley shall be president—The Honourable Henry Newton, vice-president—Mr. Lawrence Hartthorne, treasurer, and Mr. James Clarke, secretary of this society, to serve respectively till the annual meeting in December 1790.

The design of this society embraces a great variety of objects, and will comprehend whatever relates to agriculture in general—The improvement of land by tillage, manures, clearing or draining—The cultivation of such grasses and other articles as may be most advantageous to the farmer and best adapted to our soil and climate—The properest kinds of seeds, with the time and manner of sowing, and the subsequent treatment of them—The culture of fruit and other trees, as well as the raising, feeding and management of cattle, are matters that will engage the particular attention of this society; and they will be obliged to all who are conversant in these, or any other branches of farming for their observations, and also for information of the mode of practice, which they find to be most successful, that the society may publish them. Thus knowledge will be diffused, and the public