

BILL.

An Act for the encouragement of Agriculture in Lower Canada.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide more effect- Preamble.
ually for the encouragement of Agriculture in Lower Canada, and for the purpose to repeal the Acts in force therein; Be it therefore enacted, &c.

5 That the Acts passed respectively in the eighth and in the ninth years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "*An Act* 8 Vict c. 53
"*to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and better to en-* and 9 Vict.
"*courage Agriculture in Lower Canada, by the establishment* c. 14 und 24,
"*of Agricultural Societies therein.*" "*An Act to amend the* repealed.
10 "*Act for the encouragement of Agriculture by the establish-*
"*ment of Agricultural Societies in Lower Canada,*" and
"*An Act to allow the formation of more than one Agri-*
"*cultural Society in a County in Lower Canada, and for*
"*the relief of the Society for the County of Montreal.*"

15 are hereby repealed; Provided always, that the County Proviso.
Societies formed under the above mentioned Acts shall continue to exist until the time hereinafter provided for the formation of new Societies, and that all sums due at the time of the passing of this Act to any Agricultural
20 Societies under the said Act, or by such Societies under engagements entered into by them, shall be delivered to such Societies, as provided by the said Acts.

II. And be it enacted, That within a sufficient time Governor to
after the passing of this Act, the Governor of this Pro- appoint two
25 vince shall appoint two Superintendents of Agriculture Superinten-
for Lower Canada, namely: a Superintendent for the dents of
Districts of Quebec, Three Rivers, Gaspé, and the new Agriculture.
District of Kamouraska to be hereafter erected; and a
Superintendent for the Districts of Montreal, St. Francis,
30 and the new District of Ottawa to be hereafter erected,
by proclamation; and it shall be the duty of each of the Their duties
said Superintendents,

1st. To visit his District once a year:

2nd. To make an annual report of the visit made by
35 him to his District, which said Report shall contain among such other things as the Superintendents shall deem necessary to include therein, a description of the different soils, the character of the surface of the land and its aspect; and the said Report shall point out the defects