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WHÈREAS it is expedient to permit County Agricultural Societies in Lower Canada to expend their funds in the purchase of grain, whenever they shall deem it advantageous to the interest of agriculture so to do; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

- 5 I. It shall be lawful for the Board of officers and Directors of any County Agricultural Society in Lower Canada to expend the whole or any part of the funds of such society, whether arising from subscriptions, gifts of members or others, or from the Public Grant or otherwise, in the purchase of seed grain of any kind, and in such quantities as they may think proper, whenever they shall deem it for the interest of Agriculture in the County, and without its being necessary that they should give notice of their intention to the Board of Agriculture, or obtain its approval; and the said Board or Officers and Directors may thereafter deal with such grain as they may deem most advisable for the advantage of agriculture in the County: anything in the ninth section or in any other part of the Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled "*An Act to provide for the better organization of Agricultural Societies in Lower Canada,*" or in any other Act to the contrary notwithstanding; Provided always, that such seed grain shall be distributed only to subscribers to the society, and in proportion to the amount of their respective subscriptions.
- County Agricultural Societies may expend their funds in seed grain without express permission of the Board of Agriculture.