

2. The said article 1651 is further amended by adding after the third paragraph thereof the following words : Id. further amended.

" But the provisions of paragraphs two and three of this article do not apply to the counties and territories comprised within the jurisdiction of those Agricultural Societies, the boards of directors whereof have passed a resolution declaring that in future such counties and territories shall not be under the operation of the said two paragraphs, and so long as such resolution shall remain in force and be not repealed." Certain provisions not to apply to certain counties and territories.

3. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. Coming into force.

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An Act to provide for the formation of Farmers and Dairymen's Associations.

[Assented to 21st March, 1889.]

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature of Quebec, enacts as follows :

1. The following section is added after section thirteenth of chapter seventh of title fourth of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec : Sec. added after R. S. Q., title 4, chap. 7, sec. 13.

SECTION XIV.

FARMERS AND DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS.

" **1755a.** The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may authorize the formation, in each judicial district of the Province, of an association, having for its object the promotion of agriculture, the improvement in the manufacture of butter and cheese, the inspection of butter and cheese factories, and all other things in connection therewith, to be called the " Farmers and Dairymen's Association of the District of " District associations may be formed. Name.

" **1755b.** The association shall be composed of at least twenty-five persons, who shall sign a declaration in the form of the schedule annexed to this section. Composition of association and declaration to be signed.

Every member of the association shall subscribe and pay, annually, a sum of at least one dollar to the funds of the association. Annual subscription of members.

Commissioner member *ex-officio*. " **1755c.** The Commissioner of Agriculture and Colonization shall be *ex-officio* a member of the association.

How declaration is to be made. " **1755d.** Such declaration shall be made in duplicate, one to be written and signed on the first pages of a book to be kept by the association for the purpose of entering therein the minutes of their proceedings, and the other shall be immediately transmitted to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Colonization, who shall, as soon as possible after its reception, cause to be published a notice of the formation of such association in the Quebec Official Gazette.

Incorporation and power to acquire, &c., property. " **1755e.** From and after the publication in the Quebec Official Gazette of the notice of the formation of the association, such association will become and shall be a body politic and corporate, for the purposes of this section, and may possess real estate to the value not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Power to make by-laws for certain purposes. " **1755f.** The association shall have power to make by-laws to prescribe the mode or manner of admission of new members, to regulate the election and appointment of its officers and employees, and generally the management of its affairs and property for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the association.

First meeting of association, when to be held. " **1755g.** The first meeting of the association shall be held at the *chef-lieu* of the district, on the second Wednesday of the month following the one in which the notice of the formation of the association is published in the Quebec Official Gazette.

Annual meetings when and where held. " **1755h.** The association shall hold an annual meeting, at such time and place as shall have been selected by the board of directors.

Election of directors for each county. " **1755i.** At such annual meeting, the members of the association present shall elect three directors from each county forming the judicial district for which the association is formed, chosen from the members of the association domiciled in said counties, who shall constitute the board of directors of the association.

Election of president, vice-president and appointment of secretary-treasurer and other officers. " **1755j.** The board of directors shall elect, from their members, a president and a vice-president, and shall appoint a secretary-treasurer and such other officers and employees as they may deem necessary for carrying out the objects of the association.

“ 1755k. The directors shall prepare and present at the annual meeting of the association a detailed report of their operations during the past year. Report to be presented to annual meeting.

Such report shall indicate the names of all the members of the association, the amount subscribed and paid into the hands of the secretary-treasurer, the names and number of the factories in their district, and give such other information deemed useful and in the interest of agriculture and the dairy industry.

A triplicate of such report shall be transmitted to the Commissioner of Agriculture of the Province, and another to the Dairy Association of the Province of Quebec.

2. This act shall come into force in the day of its ^{Coming into} sanction. _{force.}

SCHEDULE.

MENTIONED IN ARTICLE 1755*b*.

We, the undersigned, agree to form ourselves into an association under the provisions of section fourteenth of chapter seventh of title fourth of the Revised Statutes of the Province of Quebec, respecting Farmers and Dairy-men's Associations, and we hereby severally agree to pay to the secretary-treasurer, annually, while we continue members of the association, the sums opposite our respective names, and we further agree to conform to the rules and by-laws of the said association.

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