The National Agricultural Society of Victoria.

RULES AND BY-LAWS,

WITH A LIST OF

OFFICE-BEARERS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

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THE following Resolutions and Rules have been adopted: --

RESOLUTIONS.

That the new Society be called "THE NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA."

That the objects of the Society shall be to promote the development of the Agricultural, Pastoral, and Industrial resources of the

Colony.

1. By holding Exhibitions, at such places and times as the Council shall appoint; and by offering and awarding prizes and

premiums at all such Exhibitions.

2. By holding Meetings, at such places and times as the Council shall appoint, at which Meeting papers, which have been previously submitted to, and approved by, the Council, may be read and discussed; but subjects of a political tendency shall be strictly excluded.

3. By collecting such information from agricultural publications and scientific works as has been proved by practical experiment

to be useful in promoting the objects of the Society.

4. By corresponding with Agricultural, Horticultural, and other kindred Societies, at home and abroad, and collecting from such correspondence all information which, in the opinion of the Society, may lead to practical benefit in the cultivation of the soil and breeding of stock, as well as in the prosecution of other important industries.

5. By remunerating any person who shall undertake, at the request of the Society, to ascertain by experiment how far such information may lead to useful results in practice, for any less

incurred by such experiments.

6. By encouraging the attention of men of science to the discovery of better methods of cultivation, to the improvement of agricultural implements and machinery, the construction of farm buildings, the application of chemistry to the general purposes of agriculture, the destruction of insects injurious to vegetable life, and the eradication or utilization of weeds.

7. By promoting the discovery and introduction of new varieties of cereals, vegetables, or grasses, suitable to the climate, and capable of being cultivated with profit; and also the introduction

of desirable kinds and varieties of life stock.

8. By collecting information regarding the management of plantations, live fences, and other subjects connected with rural improvement.

9. By taking measures for the publication, at such times and periods as the Council may appoint, of the information thus collected, together with all approved original essays sent in, lectures delivered, or papers read to the Society; besides making provision for the establishment of a Library and Reading-room for the use of Members.

RULES.

1. The National Agricultural Society of Victoria shall consist of a President, six Vice-Presidents, three Trustees, Governors, Members, Honorary Scientific Members (not exceeding six in number), and Corresponding Members.

2. The President shall be elected annually, and not be eligible

for re-election two years in succession.

3. The President, Vice-Presidents, and Trustees shall be elected from the class of Governors, and the Trustees may hold office until disqualified, or until they are removed in due form at a General Meeting of the Society.

4. Governors shall pay a subscription of three pounds, and Members one pound, annually in advance, with power to compound for life by the payment in one sum of eight annual

subscriptions.

5. That every candidate for admission into the Society, by giving his name and address, with his subscription, to the Secretary, shall be duly constituted a Member of the same, and shall have all the rights of membership till the day after the Annual Meeting then next ensuing.

6. The Council is to consist of the President, Vice-Presidents, and three Trustees, to be elected from the class of Governors only, and twenty-four other Members, to be elected indiscriminately from amongst the Governors and Members of the

Society.

7. One half of the Vice-Presidents and one half of the general Members of Council shall retire annually, but be eligible for re-election—those Vice-Presidents and general Members who have received the smallest number of votes to retire at the end of the

first year.

8. The Council is to be regulated in its proceedings by such By-laws as may, and shall, from time to time be enacted by it, conformably with the Constitution and objects of the Society, but no established By-law shall in any case be altered, or new one proposed, without at least twenty-one days' notice of such intention being given to each Member of the Council.

9. The Council shall have sole management of the income and funds of the Society, and also the entire management and super-

intendence of all other affairs and concerns thereof.

10. The Council shall have power to appoint and remove all paid officers required for duly carrying out the objects of the Society.

11. The Council shall have power to elect honorary and Corresponding Members after twenty-one days' notice, by

circular, having been given to each Member of Council.

12. All Governors and Honorary Members may attend meetings of Council, and take part in discussions thereat, but shall not have power to vote.

13. The Council may fill up any vacancies in its own body created by death, resignation, or occurring in any other way

amongst its office-bearers.

14. The Society's financial year shall end on the 31st of December; and a Preliminary General Meeting shall be held on the third Thursday in January, to arrange the business and receive notices of motion for the Annual General Meeting, to appoint Auditors, and to nominate gentlemen to fill the places of retiring office-bearers.

15. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in Melbourne, on the third Thursday in February; at which meeting the Annual Report and Balance-sheet shall be read, all office-bearers elected, and any other business transacted of which due notice may have

been given.

16. A Special General Meeting may be called at any time by the Secretary, on direction of the President, or on the requisition of ten Members of the Society; and a Special Meeting of Council may be summoned by direction of the President, or of three Members of the Council.

17. This Society shall have no connection with Government, nor receive any subsidy therefrom beyond a grant of land and money, to aid at the outset in erecting the necessary buildings.

18. As soon as this Constitution and these Rules shall have been adopted by a public meeting, and twenty Governors and fifty Members enrolled, a preliminary meeting shall be called for the nomination of candidates for office; and twenty-one days after such meeting the election shall take place, when the Society shall be considered duly constituted.

19. The privilege of membership shall consist of power to vote at the election of all office-bearers, of free admission to the Library, Reading-Room, Lectures; and, with two ladies, to the

Society's Exhibitions.

20. These Rules shall not be altered except by the expressed wish of a majority of the Members present at the Annual or a Special General Meeting of not less than ten Members exclusive of Members of Council.

BY-LAWS.

AS DRAFTED BY THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED FEBRUARY 20.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

1. Public notice of the Preliminary, Annual, and Special General Meetings of the Society shall be given in such newspapers as the Council may decide, and by circular through post to every Member, and all elections, excepting those of the Council, and resolutions proposed at these meetings, shall be determined by a show of hands, unless a division be called for. At every Annual General Meeting a Report, together with a Financial Statement from the Council, shall be read, and any Governor or Member present may propose any questions to the Council respecting the matters contained in such report, and comment thereon; he may also refer to other matters relating to the government of the Society and the management of its affairs as to him may seem proper; provided that notice has been previously given at the Preliminary General Meeting. Governors and Members only, or persons bearing the written order of the President or Chairman for the time being, will be allowed to be present at the General Meetings; each person giving his name in writing on being admitted, if required.

2. At the Preliminary General Meeting in January, Notices of Motion for the Annual General Meeting in the following month will be received, Auditors appointed, and gentlemen nominated to fill the places of retiring office-bearers. Previous to the day of meeting, the Council shall have prepared a list of Governors and Members whom they propose to fill the vacant offices of President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of Council; to which list of candidates the names of any other Governors and Members may be added on their being duly proposed and

seconded at the meeting.

3. At the Annual General Meeting in February, the election of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of Council shall take place by ballot, before the commencement of any other business.

4. To allow of a Ballot being taken, printed lists of the Governors and Members duly proposed shall be given by the Secretary to each member of the Society present in the room;

two scrutineers shall be chosen, and each member desiring to vote shall hand to the Chairman his copy of the said list, with such names erased therefrom as he may think fit. Any list containing more than the requisite number of names unerased

shall be rejected by the scrutineers.

5. Should it be deemed advisable to remove one or more of the Trustees from office, notice to that effect must be given at the Preliminary General Meeting, and the question decided at the Annual General Meeting. Governors to fill the vacancies, if any, must also be nominated at the former meeting and elected at the latter. Extraordinary vacancies amongst the Trustees may be filled up by the Council, or at the Annual General Meeting.

6. Special General Meetings may be called for the transaction of any business connected with the affairs of the Society, but no business shall be transacted at any such meeting other than that

for which it has been called.

THE PRESIDENT.

7. The President shall not be eligible for election two years in succession. In all official relations of the Society he shall take precedence of all other Governors and Members, and shall have full power to summon meetings of the Members and of the Council, in accordance with Rule 16. He shall take the chair when present, having (as well as every other Chairman of the Council) the privilege of a casting vote in addition to his own in all cases of equality in a division on any question. He shall sign all such letters, votes of thanks, and other documents, as the Council may direct to be written in the name and on behalf of the Council.

THE COUNCIL.

8. The Council may adjourn from time to time at their discretion. When not so adjourned, they shall hold a meeting on the second Monday in every month, at two o'clock p.m., for the election of Members, and the transaction of other business of the Society. Should the business of the Society require a Special Council to be held at any other time, the President shall have full power to direct such a Council to be summoned at such place and time and with such notice as he may think fit. Provided that, in case of necessity, the President may summon a Special Council to be held forthwith; but any orders then made shall not remain valid unless confirmed by the next Monthly Council. In the absence of the President, Special Meetings may be summoned by three Members of the Council, subject to the same regulations.

- 9. At the Monthly Meetings the Council shall have full power to originate, discuss, and decide by a majority of votes, on a show of hands, all questions not involving an unusual outlay of money, brought before it on the business of the Society; excepting also those which, according to the Rules, can only be decided on at a General Meeting of Members. Should however, any Member then present regard any proposition brought forward as too important for immediate decision, he may object, and demand the usual month's notice, whereupon all discussion on the question shall cease.
- 10. Minutes of the proceedings of every meeting of the Council shall be taken during their progress by the Secretary, or in case of his absence, by some Member present, whom the Chairman may appoint for the occasion. The minutes shall afterwards be fairly copied into a minute book kept for that purpose.
- 11. The Council shall, from time to time, draw up such Regulations, not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws, as may appear to them expedient for conducting the proceedings of their own meetings; and the regulations so drawn up shall be binding on the Members of Council.
- 12. The Council may also, from time to time, make such Regulations, and issue such Orders, not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws, as shall appear to them conducive to the good management of the Society and to the proper management of its concerns; and all such regulations and orders shall be binding on all and every the Governors and Members, Honorary and Corresponding Members, officers, and servants of the Society, as well as on all Exhibitors, or their assistants, at the Society's Exhibitions.
- 13. The Council may appoint Committees to examine into or take action on any special matters relating to the objects or business of the Society, and may require such Committees to report, and may dissolve such Committees whensoever they shall think proper. The Members of such Committees must be Members of the Society, but need not be Members of the Council.
- 14. The Council shall carry into effect, as far as in them lies, the resolutions of General Meetings.
- 15. The Council shall appoint a Banker or Bankers to the Society, to whom all sums of money received by the Secretary or other persons for the use of the Society shall be paid.
- 16. No money shall be drawn from the Society's banking account but by order of the Council on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and by cheques signed by the Chairman and another Member of the Finance Committee, and countersigned by the Secretary. A book shall be kept in which a consecutive entry shall be made of all such payments.

17. If any office-bearer, with the exception of the Trustees, shall be absent from three consecutive Monthly Meetings of the Council without leave having been obtained, his seat shall be declared vacant.

18. The Secretary shall notify to the Council, on the Agenda Paper, any vacancy which may have occurred in the list of Vice-Presidents, Trustees, or Members of Council, either from non-attendance, or from any other cause, at the meeting of Council next after the happening of such vacancy; and such vacancy shall not be filled up until the Monthly Meeting of the Council which shall take place next after such notice.

19. In the absence of the President, the chair shall be taken by a Vice-President or Trustee, and should neither of such officers be present, then by such Member as the Council shall

choose as their Chairman by a majority of votes.

20. The quorum of a Monthly or Special Council shall be five.

21. At every Monthly Meeting of the Council the minutes of the previous monthly or other intervening meetings shall be first read, and postponed matters shall take precedence in the order of business of new motions, excepting in the case of a report from the Finance Committee, which shall always be taken next into consideration after the minutes have been read, and the election of Members and the proposal of candidates have taken place.

22. All minutes and reports read at, and adopted by, the

Council, shall be signed by the Chairman.

23. The report from the Council to the Annual Meeting in February shall be prepared at the Council Meeting first in that month or at some adjournment thereof.

COMMITTEES.

24. The Standing Committees shall be appointed at the Monthly Council Meeting in March, and remain in office until the Annual General Meeting in the ensuing year. Any other Committees may be appointed at the Monthly or Special Council Meetings. Such Committees to consist of not more than five

Members, three to form a quorum.

25. Each Committee, at its first meeting, shall elect its own Chairman for that year, who shall always take the chair when present; the chair being taken in his absence by a Chairman to be elected by the Committee for the occasion; and all Committees shall meet by summons, issued by direction of their respective Chairmen, or of any three Members of Committees or by adjournment; and any Member of any such Committee who shall absent himself from three consecutive meetings shall thereupon cease to be a Member of such Committee, and the

vacancy so created shall be filled up at the next Council Meeting

ensuing.

26. All Committees may make or adopt Regulations relative to the business of the Society, within the province of each, and not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws; such Regulations only to remain in force during the existence of the Committee which

framed or adopted them.

27. All Committees shall, during their sittings, report the progress of their proceedings to the Monthly Meetings of Council, and shall sit until they have made their respective general reports; but in case such reports shall not have been made previous to the third Thursday in February next after their appointment, their powers shall then cease.

THE SECRETARY.

28. The Secretary shall be immediately responsible to the Council for the discharge of the various duties they require him to perform. He shall attend the sittings of all meetings of Council; he shall also attend on any Committees requiring his presence when not in attendance on the Council; he shall take the minutes of the Council, and also, when attending on any Committee, the minutes of such Committee, if required to do so by the Chairman.

29. He shall conduct the correspondence of the Society, preserving the letters he may receive in a classified arrangement, and shall keep a daily register of correspondence in a classified form. He shall keep letter books in which copies of all letters

on the business of the Society shall be entered.

30. Under the direction of the Finance Committee, he shall be responsible for all moneys received, paying such sums into the hands of the Society's Bankers, and producing at each meeting of the Finance Committee their receipts for the same; and, excepting the amount allowed him for petty cash, he shall not retain in his hands any money belonging to the Society, but shall pay it over forthwith to the Society's Bankers. He shall have charge of the expenditure of petty cash.

31. All receipts for money received on behalf of the Society

shall be out of a book with counterpart.

32. All money received and paid shall be entered daily in a

general cash book.

33. He shall have the custody of all books, models, and papers belonging to the Society. All books, pamphlets, &c., becoming the property of the Society, shall be stamped with the Society's stamp at once.

34. He shall have the immediate superintendence over the clerks and servants of the Society, and shall be required to

report to the Council any instances of misconduct on their part which he thinks of such a nature as to require the consideration of the Council.

35. He shall find approved security to the amount of £500,

the premium to be paid by the Society.

36. The Secretary shall not be a Governor or Member of the Society.

FINANCE.

37. The Finance Committee shall have the immediate care of the Society's Accounts, and no payment of money shall be made except by order of Council, in Meeting assembled, unless recommended by a report of the Finance Committee, which shall always meet on the first Friday in every month, without summons, in order to prepare a report for the Council on the state of the Society's funds, which they shall present to each monthly meeting and lay before it in the following form:—

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as well as a statement of the payments recommended to be made, together with all the books in which entries of cash receipts or payments are made, and such documents as the business of the day may require. Should a sufficient number of members of the Finance Committee to form a quorum not have assembled previous to the meeting of Council, the Secretary shall report the state of the funds to the Council.

38. Once in every year, namely, not later than two weeks after the Preliminary General Meeting, there shall be an Audit of the Society's accounts by a professional accountant, before whom a balance-sheet shall be laid by the Secretary.

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COUNCIL

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Mational Agricultural Society of Victoria.

TO THE SUBSCRIBERS.

GENTLEMEN,-

The Council, in submitting to you their Sixth Annual Report, have, in the first instance, to announce, with the deepest regret, the great loss the Society has sustained in the

demise of Mr. M. M'Caw, our late respected President.

Since his arrival in the colony, in the year 1841, Mr. M'Caw was an ardent promoter of agricultural and pastoral progress. He commenced his labours in connection with the Port Phillip Farmers' Society, of which body he was for many years Treasurer. He took a warm interest, from the first, in this Society, of which he was one of the founders. In recognition of his labours and usefulness, he was repeatedly pressed to accept office as President; but he declined, and only consented last year, having held office, as you are aware, at the time of his Mr. M'Caw was at all times conspicuous for his practical good sense, combined with an ardent desire to do his duty; and to show his zeal and devotion to the interests of the Society, it should be recorded to his honour that, out of fifteen ordinary meetings held last year, he attended thirteen. In every respect he was a worthy example to all future presidents and members of the Society.

We have also to regret the loss, by death, of two other of our members, Mr. C. H. Armytage, of Toorak, and Mr. James

Cameron, of Woodend.

Since the last annual meeting we have to report the resignation of Mr. William Taylor, of Overnewton, Keilor, as a Vice-President, the vacancy being filled up by the election of Mr. W. J. Clarke, of Sunbury.

Five Life Governors, five Life Members, together with several Governors and Members have during the year been added to our

list of subscribers.

The list of Office-bearers for the past year is as follows:-

President:

M. McCaw, Melbourne.

Vice-Presidents:

W. J. CLARKE, Sunbury.
ALEX. PATTERSON, Cranbourne.
J. W. FLEMING, Brunswick.
The Hon. ROBERT SIMSON, M.L.C., Toorak.
EDWARD HENTY, Muntham.
JOSH. CLARKE, The Grange.

Trustees:

The Hon. J. G. FRANCIS, M. L.A., Sunbury. The Hon. T. J. SUMNER, M. L.C., Stony Park. ROBERT M'DOUGALL, Arundel.

Members of Council:

JNO. BELL, Kangaroo Ground. J. HUTCHINGS, Elizabeth-street. JOHN SIMSON. Waverley, Studley A. MURRAY, Yorick Club.
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Hon. Veterinary Surgeon: Graham Mitchell, M.R.C.V.S.

The fourth annual Horse Show was held on the 14th August last. As regards the number and the quality of the exhibits, as well as financially, this show was a decided success; the weather was favourable, and the Society realized the net profit of £43 15s. 9d. It is evident that this grand display of horse stock is firmly established, and increasing yearly in public favour. One marked improvement which for years has been considered desirable by various societies, the offer of premiums for the services of approved stallions has been adopted with considerable

success. The Smeaton Society not only offered a bonus of £50 for the services of a good entire for their district, but they appointed delegates to make the choice, and they selected Mr. Crawford's "Lord Clyde." It is to be hoped that this example will be extensively followed at future shows. It is the established custom in the best horse-rearing districts in the Mother Country, and to its adoption may be attributed the extraordinary fact that these districts have become the chief breeding-grounds of fine

stock for the world's supply.

The Council have a peculiar gratification in stating that the Spring Show in November was, in all respects, the best that has yet taken place. Not merely was the show of stock pre-eminent, but the assemblage of machinery and implements adapted for agricultural and pastoral purposes was the best yet exhibited in the Southern Hemisphere. The attendance of visitors also, especially from the country districts, was uncommonly good. included representatives of every industry in the colonies; and there can be no doubt that the exhibition has not merely been useful to the Society, but has greatly benefited the most important of the local industries. The Show was a great success in a financial point of view; but the Council consider that, as indicating the resources of the colony, and giving evidence of progress in various industries, it has been, in a much higher degree, a public benefit. The success of this Show is a very great encouragement to the friends of the Society, and the Council trust that it will be an incentive to all who have an opportunity to assist in promoting its important objects. It must be evident to the community at large, as well as to the members of the Society, that their Annual Exhibitions have a marked influence in cultivating the taste and maturing the judgment of every class, and that they are especially the best possible school for that portion of the rising generation upon whose knowledge and qualifications our future prosperity

The Council also beg to thank the following gentlemen for their kind and liberal donations during the year, namely:—

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Rutledge Bros., prize	Same Co	5	5	0
David Munro and Co., cup		5	5	0

The Council have the satisfaction of reporting that, during the past year, the financial position of the Society has greatly improved. The members are aware that, in establishing the Society, a considerable advance had to be got from the bank. The overdraft at the end of the year was £1,386 6s. 11d., and the funds now in hand have enabled the Finance Committee to recommend a reduction to £1,100.

The statement of Accounts and Balance-sheet have been carefully prepared and audited (herewith appended), and show that the actual liabilities at the end of the year were £1,124 10s. 6d., an amount less than that in the four previous years, as under:—

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The Council have to report that they have been unremitting in their exertions to obtain from the Government the money promised in aid of buildings, as well as a grant of land for an exhibition building, for show-yards and for other purposes. It will be remembered that, besides a grant of land, the Government promised a donation of £7,000, of which only £2,000 have been received. The Council regret to say that all their efforts to obtain a recognition of their claims have been unsuccessful, and that their recent application to the Minister of Lands has been refused. This is all the more unfortunate, as it is at variance with distinct promises of previous Ministers of Lands, and is in marked contrast with the wise and generous policy of the New South Wales Government, who have granted to the principal society of that colony a large site in the Parramatta domain, as well as a model farm at Toongabbee Creek.

The Office-Bearers who retire in terms of the Bye-laws are as

follows:-

PRESIDENT.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

The Hon. Robt. Simson, eligible for re-election.

J. W. Flewing " "

Edwd. Henty, " "

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

Andrew Murray, eligible for re-election. John Bell Wm. Somner Josh. Riddell ;; " Hy. Beattie Jas. Robertson Wm. Cumming " Saml. Gardiner W. J. Lobb " Francis Henty " James Duncan J. G. Brisbane

The Council have held 15 sittings during the past year, and the register of attendance of each of the members gives the following account:—

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RULES.

1. The National Agricultural Society of Victoria shall consist of a President, six Vice-Presidents, three Trustees, Governors, Members, Honorary Scientific Members (not exceeding six in number), and Corresponding Members.

2. The President shall be elected annually, and not be eligible

for re-election two years in succession.

3. The President. Vice-Presidents, and Trustees shall be elected from the class of Governors, and the Trustees may hold office until disqualified, or until they are removed in due form at a General Meeting of the Society.

4. Governors shall pay a subscription of three pounds, and Members one pound, annually in advance, with power to compound for life by the payment in one sum of eight annual

subscriptions.

5. That every candidate for admission into the Society, by giving his name and address, with his subscription, to the Secretary, shall be duly constituted a Member of the same, and shall have all the rights of membership till the day after the Annual Meeting then next ensuing.

6. The Council is to consist of the President, Vice-Presidents, and three Trustees, to be elected from the class of Governors only, and twenty-four other Members, to be elected indiscriminately from amongst the Governors and Members of the

Society.

7. One half of the Vice-Presidents and one half of the general Members of Council shall retire annually, but be eligible for re-election—those Vice-Presidents and general Members who have received the smallest number of votes to retire at the end of the

first year.

8. The Council is to be regulated in its proceedings by such By-laws as may, and shall, from time to time be enacted by it, conformably with the Constitution and objects of the Society, but no established By-law shall in any case be altered, or new one proposed, without at least twenty-one days' notice of such intention being given to each Member of the Council.

9. The Council shall have sole management of the income and funds of the Society, and also the entire management and super-

intendence of all other affairs and concerns thereof.

10. The Council shall have power to appoint and remove all paid officers required for duly carrying out the objects of the Society.

11. The Council shall have power to elect honorary and Corresponding Members after twenty-one days' notice, by

circular, having been given to each Member of Council.

12. All Governors and Honorary Members may attend meetings of Council, and take part in discussions thereat, but shall not have power to vote.

13. The Council may fill up any vacancies in its own body created by death, resignation, or occurring in any other way

amongst its office-bearers.

14. The Society's financial year shall end on the 31st of December; and a Preliminary General Meeting shall be held on the third Thursday in January, to arrange the business and receive notices of motion for the Annual General Meeting, to appoint Auditors, and to nominate gentlemen to fill the places of retiring office-bearers.

15. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in Melbourne, on the third Thursday in February; at which meeting the Annual Report and Balance-sheet shall be read, all office-bearers elected, and any other business transacted of which due notice may have

been given.

16. A Special General Meeting may be called at any time by the Secretary, on direction of the President, or on the requisition of ten Members of the Society; and a Special Meeting of Council may be summoned by direction of the President, or of three Members of the Council.

17. This Society shall have no connection with Government, nor receive any subsidy therefrom beyond a grant of land and money, to aid at the outset in erecting the necessary buildings.

18. As soon as this Constitution and these Rules shall have been adopted by a public meeting, and twenty Governors and fifty Members enrolled, a preliminary meeting shall be called for the nomination of candidates for office; and twenty-one days after such meeting the election shall take place, when the Society shall be considered duly constituted.

19. The privilege of membership shall consist of power to vote at the election of all office-bearers, of free admission to the Library, Reading-Room, Lectures; and, with two ladies, to the

Society's Exhibitions.

20. These Rules shall not be altered except by the expressed wish of a majority of the Members present at the Annual or a Special General Meeting of not less than ten Members exclusive of Members of Council.

BY-LAWS.

AS DRAFTED BY THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED FEBRUARY 20.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

1. Public notice of the Preliminary, Annual, and Special General Meetings of the Society shall be given in such newspapers as the Council may decide, and by circular through post to every Member, and all elections, excepting those of the Council, and resolutions proposed at these meetings, shall be determined by a show of hands, unless a division be called for. At every Annual General Meeting a Report, together with a Financial Statement from the Council, shall be read, and any Governor or Member present may propose any questions to the Council respecting the matters contained in such report, and comment thereon; he may also refer to other matters relating to the government of the Society and the management of its affairs as to him may seem proper; provided that notice has been previously given at the Preliminary General Meeting. Governors and Members only, or persons bearing the written order of the President or Chairman for the time being, will be allowed to be present at the General Meetings; each person giving his name in writing on being admitted, if required.

2. At the Preliminary General Meeting in January, Notices of Motion for the Annual General Meeting in the following month will be received, Auditors appointed, and gentlemen nominated to fill the places of retiring office-bearers. Previous to the day of meeting, the Council shall have prepared a list of Governors and Members whom they propose to fill the vacant offices of President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of Council; to which list of candidates the names of any other Governors and Members may be added on their being duly proposed and

seconded at the meeting.

3. At the Annual General Meeting in February, the election of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of Council shall take place by ballot, before the commencement of any other business.

4. To allow of a Ballot being taken, printed lists of the Governors and Members duly proposed shall be given by the Secretary to each member of the Society present in the room;

two scrutineers shall be chosen, and each member desiring to vote shall hand to the Chairman his copy of the said list, with such names erased therefrom as he may think fit. Any list containing more than the requisite number of names unerased

shall be rejected by the scrutineers.

5. Should it be deemed advisable to remove one or more of the Trustees from office, notice to that effect must be given at the Preliminary General Meeting, and the question decided at the Annual General Meeting. Governors to fill the vacancies, if any, must also be nominated at the former meeting and elected at the latter. Extraordinary vacancies amongst the Trustees may be filled up by the Council, or at the Annual General Meeting.

6. Special General Meetings may be called for the transaction of any business connected with the affairs of the Society, but no business shall be transacted at any such meeting other than that

for which it has been called.

THE PRESIDENT.

7. The President shall not be eligible for election two years in succession. In all official relations of the Society he shall take precedence of all other Governors and Members, and shall have full power to summon meetings of the Members and of the Council, in accordance with Rule 16. He shall take the chair when present, having (as well as every other Chairman of the Council) the privilege of a casting vote in addition to his own in all cases of equality in a division on any question. He shall sign all such letters, votes of thanks, and other documents, as the Council may direct to be written in the name and on behalf of the Council.

THE COUNCIL.

8. The Council may adjourn from time to time at their discretion. When not so adjourned, they shall hold a meeting on the second Monday in every month, at two o'clock p.m., for the election of Members, and the transaction of other business of the Society. Should the business of the Society require a Special Council to be held at any other time, the President shall have full power to direct such a Council to be summoned at such place and time and with such notice as he may think fit. Provided that, in case of necessity, the President may summon a Special Council to be held forthwith; but any orders then made shall not remain valid unless confirmed by the next Monthly Council. In the absence of the President, Special Meetings may be summoned by three Members of the Council, subject to the same regulations.

- 9. At the Monthly Meetings the Council shall have full power to originate, discuss, and decide by a majority of votes, on a show of hands, all questions not involving an unusual outlay of money, brought before it on the business of the Society; excepting also those which, according to the Rules, can only be decided on at a General Meeting of Members. Should however, any Member then present regard any proposition brought forward as too important for immediate decision, he may object, and demand the usual month's notice, whereupon all discussion on the question shall cease.
- 10. Minutes of the proceedings of every meeting of the Council shall be taken during their progress by the Secretary, or in case of his absence, by some Member present, whom the Chairman may appoint for the occasion. The minutes shall afterwards be fairly copied into a minute book kept for that purpose.
- 11. The Council shall, from time to time, draw up such Regulations, not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws, as may appear to them expedient for conducting the proceedings of their own meetings; and the regulations so drawn up shall be binding on the Members of Council.
- 12. The Council may also, from time to time, make such Regulations, and issue such Orders, not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws, as shall appear to them conducive to the good management of the Society and to the proper management of its concerns; and all such regulations and orders shall be binding on all and every the Governors and Members, Honorary and Corresponding Members, officers, and servants of the Society, as well as on all Exhibitors, or their assistants, at the Society's Exhibitions.
- 13. The Council may appoint Committees to examine into or take action on any special matters relating to the objects or business of the Society, and may require such Committees to report, and may dissolve such Committees whensoever they shall think proper. The Members of such Committees must be Members of the Society, but need not be Members of the Council.
- 14. The Council shall carry into effect, as far as in them lies, the resolutions of General Meetings.
- 15. The Council shall appoint a Banker or Bankers to the Society, to whom all sums of money received by the Secretary or other persons for the use of the Society shall be paid.
- 16. No money shall be drawn from the Society's banking account but by order of the Council on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and by cheques signed by the Chairman and another Member of the Finance Committee, and countersigned by the Secretary. A book shall be kept in which a consecutive entry shall be made of all such payments.

17. If any office-bearer, with the exception of the Trustees, shall be absent from three consecutive Monthly Meetings of the Council without leave having been obtained, his seat shall be declared vacant.

18. The Secretary shall notify to the Council, on the Agenda Paper, any vacancy which may have occurred in the list of Vice-Presidents, Trustees, or Members of Council, either from non-attendance, or from any other cause, at the meeting of Council next after the happening of such vacancy; and such vacancy shall not be filled up until the Monthly Meeting of the Council which shall take place next after such notice.

19. In the absence of the President, the chair shall be taken by a Vice-President or Trustee, and should neither of such officers be present, then by such Member as the Council shall

choose as their Chairman by a majority of votes.

20. The quorum of a Monthly or Special Council shall be five.

21. At every Monthly Meeting of the Council the minutes of the previous monthly or other intervening meetings shall be first read, and postponed matters shall take precedence in the order of business of new motions, excepting in the case of a report from the Finance Committee, which shall always be taken next into consideration after the minutes have been read, and the election of Members and the proposal of candidates have taken place.

22. All minutes and reports read at, and adopted by, the

Council, shall be signed by the Chairman.

23. The report from the Council to the Annual Meeting in February shall be prepared at the Council Meeting first in that month or at some adjournment thereof.

COMMITTEES.

24. The Standing Committees shall be appointed at the Monthly Council Meeting in March, and remain in office until the Annual General Meeting in the ensuing year. Any other Committees may be appointed at the Monthly or Special Council Meetings. Such Committees to consist of not more than five

Members, three to form a quorum.

25. Each Committee, at its first meeting, shall elect its own Chairman for that year, who shall always take the chair when present; the chair being taken in his absence by a Chairman to be elected by the Committee for the occasion; and all Committees shall meet by summons, issued by direction of their respective Chairman, or of any three Members of Committees or by adjournment; and any Member of any such Committee who shall absent himself from three consecutive meetings shall thereupon cease to be a Member of such Committee, and the

vacancy so created shall be filled up at the next Council Meeting

ensuing.

26. All Committees may make or adopt Regulations relative to the business of the Society, within the province of each, and not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws; such Regulations only to remain in force during the existence of the Committee which

framed or adopted them.

27. All Committees shall, during their sittings, report the progress of their proceedings to the Monthly Meetings of Council, and shall sit until they have made their respective general reports; but in case such reports shall not have been made previous to the third Thursday in February next after their appointment, their powers shall then cease.

THE SECRETARY.

28. The Secretary shall be immediately responsible to the Council for the discharge of the various duties they require him to perform. He shall attend the sittings of all meetings of Council: he shall also attend on any Committees requiring his presence when not in attendance on the Council; he shall take the minutes of the Council, and also, when attending on any Committee, the minutes of such Committee, if required to do so by the Chairman.

29. He shall conduct the correspondence of the Society, preserving the letters he may receive in a classified arrangement, and shall keep a daily register of correspondence in a classified form. He shall keep letter books in which copies of all letters

on the business of the Society shall be entered.

30. Under the direction of the Finance Committee, he shall be responsible for all moneys received, paying such sums into the hands of the Society's Bankers, and producing at each meeting of the Finance Committee their receipts for the same; and, excepting the amount allowed him for petty cash, he shall not retain in his hands any money belonging to the Society, but shall pay it over forthwith to the Society's Bankers. He shall have charge of the expenditure of petty cash.

31. All receipts for money received on behalf of the Society

shall be out of a book with counterpart.

32. All money received and paid shall be entered daily in a

general cash book.

33. He shall have the custody of all books, models, and papers belonging to the Society. All books, pamphlets, &c., becoming the property of the Society, shall be stamped with the Society's stamp at once.

34. He shall have the immediate superintendence over the clerks and servants of the Society, and shall be required to

report to the Council any instances of misconduct on their part which he thinks of such a nature as to require the consideration of the Council.

35. He shall find approved security to the amount of £500,

the premium to be paid by the Society.

36. The Secretary shall not be a Governor or Member of the Society.

FINANCE.

37. The Finance Committee shall have the immediate care of the Society's Accounts, and no payment of money shall be made except by order of Council, in Meeting assembled, unless recommended by a report of the Finance Committee, which shall always meet on the first Friday in every month, without summons, in order to prepare a report for the Council on the state of the Society's funds, which they shall present to each monthly meeting and lay before it in the following form:—

Monthly Cash Account, Ending

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Balance of Petty Cash in hand last month				Payments by order of the Council			
Balance at the Bank				Petty Cash expended			
				Balance in hand			
Amount of Cash received by the Secretary				Bank			
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as well as a statement of the payments recommended to be made, together with all the books in which entries of cash receipts or payments are made, and such documents as the business of the day may require. Should a sufficient number of members of the Finance Committee to form a quorum not have assembled previous to the meeting of Council, the Secretary shall report the state of the funds to the Council.

38. Once in every year, namely, not later than two weeks after the Preliminary General Meeting, there shall be an Audit of the Society's accounts by a professional accountant, before whom a balance-sheet shall be laid by the Secretary.

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SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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TO THE SUBSCRIBERS.

GENTLEMEN,

The Council, in presenting their Seventh Annual Report, are desirous of calling special attention to the financial operations of the past year, which were of a vitally important character.

From circumstances detailed in preceding reports, a large bank overdraft had accumulated, for which a number of gentlemen had given a guarantee, some of whom were anxious to be relieved from their liability.

At the same time, as formerly reported, the Council were applying, ineffectually, to the Government for a site for Exhibitions.

It was felt that, as long as the Society was burdened with debt, its position before the public and the Government was weak and unstable, and any support or favour from either would be comparatively restricted, and given with reluctance.

Almost immediately after the Annual Meeting, the Council proceeded to devise a scheme for clearing off the debt, and they have sincere pleasure in reporting that their success has exceeded their most sanguine expectations.

The Council, in March last, appointed a Committee to take into consideration and report as to the best means of reducing the overdraft due the Bank of Victoria.

In June the Committee suggested "that a circular letter be sent to every member of the Society, requesting them to make a special effort to liquidate the same." This was liberally responded to, and a further appeal by the members of the Council resulted in the receipt of £777 16s. 6d. in all.

A detailed alphabetical list of the donors and their respective donations is annexed to the Report.

The amount thus subscribed, with the increased receipts at the last Spring Show, enabled the Council to pay the overdraft of £1,100; and, after meeting all liabilities, a balance of more than £300 remained at the credit of the Society.

To the Subscribers the cordial thanks of the Society are due.

The Council regret to have to announce the death, during the past year, of some of its most useful subscribers, viz.:— R. K. Hammond, Edw. Wilson, of the *Argus*, Wm. Morley, and The Honble. Wm. Skene.

Since the last annual meeting, the Council have to report the resignation of Messrs. Francis Henty and R. M. Ayre, the vacancies being filled up by the election of Messrs. F. Ormond and Thos. Shaw.

One Life Governor, and six Life Members, besides several Governors and Members, have been added during the last year.

The list of Office-bearers for the past year is as follows:-

President :

ARCHD. FISKEN, Lal Lal.

Vice-Presidents :

- The Hon. ROBT. SIMSON, M.L.C., Lucra, Toorak.
- _ EDWD. HENTY, Muntham.
- F. R. GODFREY, St. Kilda.
- W. J. CLARKE, Sunbury.
- ALEX. PATTERSON, Cranbourne.
- _ SAML. GARDINER, Chelsworth.

Trustees :

The Honble. J. G. FRANCIS, Sunbury.
The Honble. T. J. SUMNER, M.L.C., Stony Park.
ROBERT M'DOUGALL, Arundel.

Members of Council:

WM. CUMMING, Toorak.
F. ORMOND, Toorak.
JAS. ROBERTSON, Aberfeldie.
W. J. LOBB, Darraweit-Guim.
JNO. BELL, Kangaroo Grounds.
J. G. DOUGHARTY, Bourke-street.
JNO. FINLAY, St. Kilda.
THOS. ARMSTRONG, Toorak.
W. K. THOMSON, Elizabeth-street.
R. W. E. MACIVOR, Queen-street.
ANDW. MURRAY, South Yarra.
J. G. BRISBANE, Moonee Ponds.
JAS. HUTCHINGS, Elizabeth-street.

John Simson, Waverley.

Hugh Lennon, North Melbourne.

Jas. Gibb, Berwick.

Job Smith, Northcote.

D. R. McGregor, Queen-street.

David Munro, Queen-street.

The Hon. Jas. Buchanan, M.L.C.,

Berwick.

Thos. Shaw, 167 Collins-st. east.

Jas. Duncan, Templestowe.

Thos. Bodycoat, Woodstock.

Thos. Henderson, Elizabeth-street.

Chemist:

R. W. EMERSON MACIVOR, M.P.S.L.; F.G.C.S., Berlin, F.C.S., London, &c .

Hon. Veterinary Surgeon: GRAHAM MITCHELL, M.R.C.V.S.

Secretary:

WALTER MACFARLANE.

The fifth annual Horse Show, held in August last, was a great success. The number of exhibits was in advance of all previous years; the rink for parade—one-third of a mile round—being found insufficient to hold the draught stock alone.

The recent importations there shown were of excellent quality, and the Colonial-bred young Draught Horses showed a great improvement on all previous exhibitions.

The increased attendance of the public gave evidence of the interest taken, and a profit to the Society of £48 5s. 6d. sterling was realized.

Statement of previous Shows :-

1873	Entries		39	Loss	•	£17	12	6
1874	Do	***	45	Profit		43	15	0
1875	Do		43	Loss		7	14	0
1876	Do	***	102	Profit	•••	43	15	9
1877	Do		126	Profit	***	48	5	6

The time of the year at which the above is held being equally well adapted for a Ram Show and Sale, the Council has been very desirous of meeting a general wish which has been expressed for its establishment, but until a title to the Show grounds has been secured, they have not felt justified in incurring the expense of constructing the premises required for accommodating the stock.

The Spring Show in November was the greatest success yet achieved. The Live Stock, both for number and quality, was a credit to the enterprise of the Colony, and would have commanded respect in any country. The exhibitors of Machinery and Implements far surpassed any of their previous efforts; the ground heretofore used for this purpose was found quite inadequate, and more than an acre extra had to be allotted.

In Carriages, Harness, and articles of utility, the entries were largely increased, showing plainly that, could suitable accommodation be given, more varied industries would find a place in the catalogue.

The attendance of the public was greater than at any previous Show; and expressions of satisfaction were general from visitors as well as from exhibitors.

Statement of Spring Shows:—

1871-2	Entries	696	Loss	 £398	14	5
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1874	Do	1,370	Profit	 64	2	0
1875	Do	1,307	Do	 167	6	4.
1876	Do	1,305	Do	 175	6	0
1877	Do	1,433	Do	 597	6	0

The great desideratum for the future development of our Shows is an Exhibition Building, which would before this have been erected had the Society obtained a proper tenure of the ground.

During the past year the Council made repeated applications, by deputation and otherwise, to the Minister of Lands for a site in the Royal Park, abutting on the Flemington Road; and to a grant of 20 acres, they obtained the consent of the Royal Park Trustees. The Council have now extreme pleasure in reporting that, to a deputation which waited on him on the 19th instant, the Minister of Lands announced he had determined on granting the Society the site in the Royal Park, under conditions which were considered reasonable. Before a title can be given, the Cabinet must be consulted; but this is believed to be merely a formality, and the Council consider they can report this matter as finally decided.

For the following special donations received on behalf of the Society, the Council have to return their best thanks to the donors:—

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The Hon. Robt. Simson, M.	L.C.	do		5	0	0
Arch. Fisken, Esq.		do		18	0	0
D. R. M'Gregor, Esq.	••• (Sept.)	do		3	0	0
H. Lennon, Esq	A	do		5	0	0
Robertson Brothers, Colac		do		60	0	0
Gidney and Krcrouse		do		10	0	0

The Council have pleasure in directing special attention to the Financial Statement. They have confidence in stating that the greatest economy has been observed in every department; and, it will be noted that, while the receipts and profits have been greatly increased, the amount of working expenses has not exceeded that of previous years.

The statement of accounts and Balance-sheet for the year have been carefully prepared and audited, and are hereto appended.

In conclusion, the Council would remark that the Society will commence the new financial year under more favourable circumstances than at any former period. From the liberal and handsome response of the members to the call for subscriptions, and from the unprecedented support given to the last Show, it is evident that the Society possesses the confidence of the public. They can now, therefore, with reasonable assurance of success, proceed in carrying out the purposes and objects which were originally contemplated. The difficulty of establishing the Society has now been overcome, and, with ordinary prudence and energy, its future prosperity is secured.

The Office-Bearers who retire in terms of the Bye-laws are as follows:—

PRESIDENT.

Archd. Fisken, Esq., not eligible for re-election.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

W. J. Clarke, Esq., eligible for re-election.

Alex. Patterson do.

do.

Saml. Gardiner do.

do.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

James Hutchings, Esq., eligible for re-election.

John Simson do. do.

Hugh Lennon do. do.

Jas. Gibb do. do.

Job Smith do. do.

D. R. M'Gregor do. do.

Thos. Bodycoat do. do.

Thos. Henderson do. do.

Jas. Buchanan, The Hon., M.L.C. do.

Thos. Shaw Esq. do.

Jas. Duncan do. do.

David Munro do. do.

The Council have held 14 sittings during the past year, and the register of attendance of each of the members gives the following account:—

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ALEXANDER SMITH, AUDITORS, W. G. SPRIGG,

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WALTER MACFARLANE, SECRETARY.

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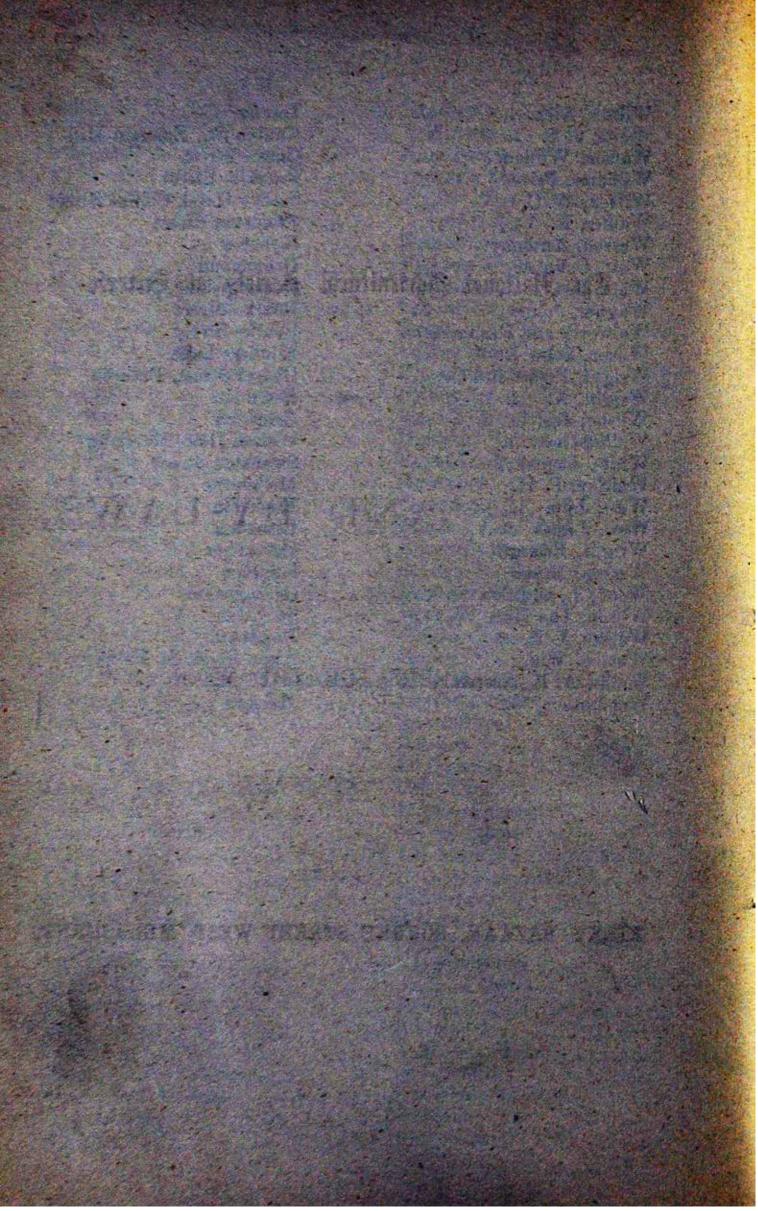
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Turner, Wm	***	***	
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The National Agricultural Society of Victoria.

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WITH A LIST OF

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WALTER MACFARLANE,

THE following Resolutions and Rules have been adopted :-

RESOLUTIONS.

That the new Society be called "THE NATIONAL AGRICUL-TURAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA."

That the objects of the Society shall be to promote the development of the Agricultural, Pastoral, and Industrial resources of the Colony.

1. By holding Exhibitions, at such places and times as the Council shall appoint; and by offering and awarding prizes and

premiums at all such Exhibitions.

2. By holding Meetings, at such places and times as the Council shall appoint, at which Meeting papers, which have been previously submitted to, and approved by, the Council, may be read and discussed; but subjects of a political tendency shall be strictly excluded.

3. By collecting such information from agricultural publications and scientific works as has been proved by practical experiment

to be useful in promoting the objects of the Society.

4. By corresponding with Agricultural, Horticultural, and other kindred Societies, at home and abroad, and collecting from such correspondence all information which, in the opinion of the Society, may lead to practical benefit in the cultivation of the soil and breeding of stock, as well as in the prosecution of other important industries.

5. By remunerating any person who shall undertake, at the request of the Society, to ascertain by experiment how far such information may lead to useful results in practice, for any loss

incurred by such experiments.

- 6. By encouraging the attention of men of science to the discovery of better methods of cultivation, to the improvement of agricultural implements and machinery, the construction of farm buildings, the application of chemistry to the general purposes of agriculture, the destruction of insects injurious to vegetable life, and the eradication or utilization of weeds.
- 7. By promoting the discovery and introduction of new varieties of cereals, vegetables, or grasses, suitable to the climate, and capable of being cultivated with profit; and also the introduction of desirable kinds and varieties of live stock.
- 8. By collecting information regarding the management of plantations, live fences, and other subjects connected with rural improvement.

9. By taking measures for the publication, at such times and periods as the Council may appoint, of the information thus collected, together with all approved original essays sent in, lectures delivered, or papers read to the Society; besides making provision for the establishment of a Library and Reading-room for the use of Members.

RULES.

1. The National Agricultural Society of Victoria shall consist of a President, six Vice-Presidents, three Trustees, Governors, Members, Honorary Scientific Members (not exceeding six in number), and Corresponding Members.

2. The President shall be elected annually, and not be eligible

for re-election two years in succession.

3. The President, Vice-Presidents, and Trustees shall be elected from the class of Governors, and the Trustees may hold office until disqualified, or until they are removed in due form at a General Meeting of the Society.

4. Governors shall pay a subscription of three pounds, and Members one pound, annually in advance, with power to compound for life by the payment in one sum of eight annual

subscriptions.

5. That every candidate for admission into the Society, by giving his name and address, with his subscription, to the Secretary, shall be duly constituted a Member of the same, and shall have all the rights of membership till the day after the Annual Meeting then next ensuing.

6. The Council is to consist of the President, Vice-Presidents, and three Trustees, to be elected from the class of Governors only, and twenty-four other Members, to be elected indiscriminately from amongst the Governors and Members of the

Society.

7. One half of the Vice-Presidents and one half of the general Members of Council shall retire annually, but be eligible for reelection—those Vice-Presidents and general Members who have received the smallest number of votes to retire at the end of the

first year.

8. The Council is to be regulated in its proceedings by such By-laws as may, and shall, from time to time be enacted by it, conformably with the Constitution and objects of the Society, but no established By-law shall in any case be altered, or new one proposed, without at least twenty-one days' notice of such intention being given to each Member of the Council.

9. The Council shall have sole management of the income and funds of the Society, and also the entire management and super-

intendence of all other affairs and concerns thereof,

10. The Council shall have power to appoint and remove all paid officers required for duly carrying out the objects of the Society.

11. The Council shall have power to elect honorary and Corresponding Members after twenty-one days' notice, by

circular, having been given to each Member of Council.

12. All Governors and Honorary Members may attend meetings of Council, and take part in discussions thereat, but shall not have power to vote.

13. The Council may fill up any vacancies in its own body created by death, resignation, or occurring in any other way

amongst its office-bearers.

14. The Society's financial year shall end on the 31st of December; and a Preliminary General Meeting shall be held on the third Thursday in January, to arrange the business and receive notices of motion for the Annual General Meeting, to appoint Auditors, and to nominate gentlemen to fill the places of retiring office-bearers.

15. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in Melbourne, on the third Thursday in February; at which meeting the Annual Report and Balance-sheet shall be read, all office-bearers elected, and any other business transacted of which due notice may have

been given.

16. A Special General Meeting may be called at any time by the Secretary, on direction of the President, or on the requisition of ten Members of the Society; and a Special Meeting of Council may be summoned by direction of the President, or of three Members of the Council.

17. This Society shall have no connection with Government, nor receive any subsidy therefrom beyond a grant of land and money, to aid at the outset in erecting the necessary buildings.

18. As soon as this Constitution and these Rules shall have been adopted by a public meeting, and twenty Governors and fifty Members enrolled, a preliminary meeting shall be called for the nomination of candidates for office; and twenty-one days after such meeting the election shall take place, when the Society shall be considered duly constituted.

19. The privilege of membership shall consist of power to vote at the election of all office-bearers, of free admission to the Library, Reading-Room, Lectures; and, with two ladies, to the

Society's Exhibitions.

20. These Rules shall not be altered except by the expressed wish of a majority of the Members present at the Annual or a Special General Meeting of not less than ten Members exclusive of Members of Council.

BY-LAWS.

AS DRAFTED BY THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED FEBRUARY 20.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

1. Public notice of the Preliminary, Annual, and Special General Meetings of the Society shall be given in such newspapers as the Council may decide, and by circular through post to every Member, and all elections, excepting those of the Council, and resolutions proposed at these meetings, shall be determined by a show of hands, unless a division be called for. At every Annual General Meeting a Report, together with a Financial Statement from the Council, shall be read, and any Governor or Member present may propose any questions to the Council respecting the matters contained in such report, and comment thereon; he may also refer to other matters relating to the government of the Society and the management of its affairs as to him may seem proper; provided that notice has been previously given at the Preliminary General Meeting. Governors and Members only, or persons bearing the written order of the President or Chairman for the time being, will be allowed to be present at the General Meetings; each person giving his name in writing on being admitted, if required.

2. At the Preliminary General Meeting in January, Notices of Motion for the Annual General Meeting in the following month will be received, Auditors appointed, and gentlemen nominated to fill the places of retiring office-bearers. Previous to the day of meeting, the Council shall have prepared a list of Governors and Members whom they propose to fill the vacant offices of President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of Council; to which list of candidates the names of any other Governors and Members may be added on their being duly proposed and

seconded at the meeting.

3. At the Annual General Meeting in February, the election of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of Council shall take place by ballot, before the commencement of any other business.

4. To allow of a Ballot being taken, printed lists of the Governors and Members duly proposed shall be given by the Secretary to each member of the Society present in the room;

two scrutineers shall be chosen, and each member desiring to vote shall hand to the Chairman his copy of the said list, with such names erased therefrom as he may think fit. Any list containing more than the requisite number of names unerased

shall be rejected by the scrutineers.

5. Should it be deemed advisable to remove one or more of the Trustees from office, notice to that effect must be given at the Preliminary General Meeting, and the question decided at the Annual General Meeting. Governors to fill the vacancies, if any, must also be nominated at the former meeting and elected at the latter. Extraordinary vacancies amongst the Trustees may be filled up by the Council, or at the Annual General Meeting.

6. Special General Meetings may be called for the transaction of any business connected with the affairs of the Society, but no business shall be transacted at any such meeting other than that

for which it has been called.

THE PRESIDENT.

7. The President shall not be eligible for election two years in succession. In all official relations of the Society he shall take precedence of all other Governors and Members, and shall have full power to summon meetings of the Members and of the Council, in accordance with Rule 16. He shall take the chair when present, having (as well as every other Chairman of the Council) the privilege of a casting vote in addition to his own in all cases of equality in a division on any question. He shall sign all such letters, votes of thanks, and other documents, as the Council may direct to be written in the name and on behalf of the Council.

THE COUNCIL.

8. The Council may adjourn from time to time at their discretion. When not so adjourned, they shall hold a meeting on the second Monday in every month, at two o'clock p.m., for the election of Members, and the transaction of other business of the Society. Should the business of the Society require a Special Council to be held at any other time, the President shall have full power to direct such a Council to be summoned at such place and time and with such notice as he may think fit. Provided that, in case of necessity, the President may summon a Special Council to be held forthwith; but any orders then made shall not remain valid unless confirmed by the next Monthly Council. In the absence of the President, Special Meetings may be summoned by three Members of the Council, subject to the same regulations.

- 9. At the Monthly Meetings the Council shall have full power to originate, discuss, and decide by a majority of votes, on a show of hands, all questions not involving an unusual outlay of money, brought before it on the business of the Society; excepting also those which, according to the Rules, can only be decided on at a General Meeting of Members. Should however, any Member then present regard any proposition brought forward as too important for immediate decision, he may object, and demand the usual month's notice, whereupon all discussion on the question shall cease.
- 10. Minutes of the proceedings of every meeting of the Council shall be taken during their progress by the Secretary, or in case of his absence, by some Member present, whom the Chairman may appoint for the occasion. The minutes shall afterwards be fairly copied into a minute book kept for that purpose.
- 11. The Council shall, from time to time, draw up such Regulations, not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws, as may appear to them expedient for conducting the proceedings of their own meetings; and the regulations so drawn up shall be binding on the Members of Council.
- 12. The Council may also, from time to time, make such Regulations, and issue such Orders, not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws, as shall appear to them conducive to the good management of the Society and to the proper management of its concerns; and all such regulations and orders shall be binding on all and every the Governors and Members, Honorary and Corresponding Members, officers, and servants of the Society, as well as on all Exhibitors, or their assistants, at the Society's Exhibitions.
- 13. The Council may appoint Committees to examine into or take action on any special matters relating to the objects or business of the Society, and may require such Committees to report, and may dissolve such Committees whensoever they shall think proper. The Members of such Committees must be Members of the Society, but need not be Members of the Council.
- 14. The Council shall carry into effect, as far as in them lies, the resolutions of General Meetings.
- 15. The Council shall appoint a Banker or Bankers to the Society, to whom all sums of money received by the Secretary or other persons for the use of the Society shall be paid.
- 16. No money shall be drawn from the Society's banking account but by order of the Council on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and by cheques signed by the Chairman and another Member of the Finance Committee, and countersigned by the Secretary. A book shall be kept in which a consecutive entry shall be made of all such payments.

17. If any office-bearer, with the exception of the Trustees, shall be absent from three consecutive Monthly Meetings of the Council without leave having been obtained, his seat shall be

declared vacant.

18. The Secretary shall notify to the Council, on the Agenda Paper, any vacancy which may have occurred in the list of Vice-Presidents, Trustees, or Members of Council, either from non-attendance, or from any other cause, at the meeting of Council next after the happening of such vacancy; and such vacancy shall not be filled up until the Monthly Meeting of the Council which shall take place next after such notice.

19. In the absence of the President, the chair shall be taken by a Vice-President or Trustee, and should neither of such officers be present, then by such Member as the Council shall

choose as their Chairman by a majority of votes.

20. The quorum of a Monthly or Special Council shall be five.

21. At every Monthly Meeting of the Council the minutes of the previous monthly or other intervening meetings shall be first read, and postponed matters shall take precedence in the order of business of new motions, excepting in the case of a report from the Finance Committee, which shall always be taken next into consideration after the minutes have been read, and the election of Members and the proposal of candidates have taken place.

22. All minutes and reports read at, and adopted by, the

Council, shall be signed by the Chairman.

23. The report from the Council to the Annual Meeting in February shall be prepared at the Council Meeting first in that month or at some adjournment thereof.

COMMITTEES.

24. The Standing Committees shall be appointed at the Monthly Council Meeting in March, and remain in office until the Annual General Meeting in the ensuing year. Any other Committees may be appointed at the Monthly or Special Council Meetings. Such Committees to consist of not more than five

Members, three to form a quorum.

25. Each Committee, at its first meeting, shall elect its owr Chairman for that year, who shall always take the chair when present; the chair being taken in his absence by a Chairman to be elected by the Committee for the occasion; and all Committees shall meet by summons, issued by direction of their respective Chairman, or of any three Members of Committees or by adjournment; and any Member of any such Committee who shall absent himself from three consecutive meetings shall thereupon cease to be a Member of such Committee, and the

vacancy so created shall be filled up at the next Council Meeting

ensuing

26. All Committees may make or adopt Regulations relative to the business of the Society, within the province of each, and not inconsistent with the Rules and By-laws; such Regulations only to remain in force during the existence of the Committee which

framed or adopted them.

27. All Committees shall, during their sittings, report the progress of their proceedings to the Monthly Meetings of Council, and shall sit until they have made their respective general reports; but in case such reports shall not have been made previous to the third Thursday in February next after their appointment, their powers shall then cease.

THE SECRETARY.

28. The Secretary shall be immediately responsible to the Council for the discharge of the various duties they require him to perform. He shall attend the sittings of all meetings of Council; he shall also attend on any Committees requiring his presence when not in attendance on the Council; he shall take the minutes of the Council, and also, when attending on any Committee, the minutes of such Committee, if required to do so by the Chairman.

29. He shall conduct the correspondence of the Society, preserving the letters he may receive in a classified arrangement, and shall keep a daily register of correspondence in a classified form. He shall keep letter books in which copies of all letters

on the business of the Society shall be entered.

30. Under the direction of the Finance Committee, he shall be responsible for all moneys received, paying such sums into the hands of the Society's Bankers, and producing at each meeting of the Finance Committee their receipts for the same; and, excepting the amount allowed him for petty cash, he shall not retain in his hands any money belonging to the Society, but shall pay it over forthwith to the Society's Bankers. He shall have charge of the expenditure of petty cash.

31. All receipts for money received on behalf of the Society

shall be out of a book with counterpart.

32. All money received and paid shall be entered daily in a

general cash book.

33. He shall have the custody of all books, models, and papers belonging to the Society. All books, pamphlets, &c., becoming the property of the Society, shall be stamped with the Society's stamp at once.

34. He shall have the immediate superintendence over the clerks and servants of the Society, and shall be required to

report to the Council any instances of misconduct on their part which he thinks of such a nature as to require the consideration of the Council.

35. He shall find approved security to the amount of £500,

the premium to be paid by the Society.

36. The Secretary shall not be a Governor or Member of the Society.

FINANCE.

37. The Finance Committee shall have the immediate care of the Society's Accounts, and no payment of money shall be made except by order of Council, in Meeting assembled, unless recommended by a report of the Finance Committee, which shall always meet on the first Friday in every month, without summons, in order to prepare a report for the Council on the state of the Society's funds, which they shall present to each monthly meeting and lay before it in the following form:—

Monthly Cash Account, Ending

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d
Balance of Petty Cash in hand last month				Payments by order of the Council			
Balance at the Bank		35		Petty Cash expended			
				Balance in hand			
Amount of Cash received by the Secretary				Bank			
by the secretary				Secretary			

as well as a statement of the payments recommended to be made, together with all the books in which entries of cash receipts or payments are made, and such documents as the business of the day may require. Should a sufficient number of members of the Finance Committee to form a quorum not have assembled previous to the meeting of Council, the Secretary shall report the state of the funds to the Council.

38. Once in every year, namely, not later than two weeks after the Preliminary General Meeting, there shall be an Audit of the Society's accounts by a professional accountant, before whom a balance-sheet shall be laid by the Secretary.

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ATTENDANCE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS,

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EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

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OF THE

Mational Agricultural Society of Victoria.

TO THE SUBSCRIBERS.

GENTLEMEN,-In presenting the Eighth Annual Report, the Council have pleasure in congratulating the Society on the continued success of its operations. The past year has, in many respects, been one of trial and of difficulty with many classes both in town and country, and it was not to be expected that the Society should be altogether exempt from the adverse influences which have caused the general existing depression. cumstances, the Council think it their duty and their true policy to give an accurate and full account of the business transacted during the year. The results, in some respects, may not be so satisfactory as was anticipated; but, on the whole, it is shown that the position of the Society is eminently sound and stable. and where shortcomings are indicated, the statement of them. the Council trust, will stimulate to stronger efforts in support of it, and to increased liberality, all friends of this truly national institution.

As stated in their annual reports for many years past, the Council have all along been of opinion that the main barrier to complete success in accomplishing the objects of this Society is the want of a site on which buildings could be erected to protect exhibits, and with ample space afforded to accommodate all kinds

of stock and agricultural produce. They intimated in their report last year that a desirable site in the Royal Park had been conceded by the Minister of Lands. They now regret that this expectation of a speedy settlement of the question, in accordance with the promise made by the Minister of Lands, has been disappointed. The Council think it almost unnecessary to say that the delay has been altogether from influences beyond their control, and that no effort or trouble on their part has been wanting, or will be neglected, for the attainment of an object of such vital importance.

In accordance with the plan adopted for indicating the exact position of the Society, the Council subjoin for your information the following tables, showing the details of the exhibitions in connection with the Society in comparison with those of previous years.

The following are the figures in reference to the Horse Show which was held in August last:—

STATEMENT OF PREVIOUS SHOWS.

1873	Entries		39	Loss		£17	12	6
1874	Do.		45	Profit		43	15	0
1875	Do.		43	Loss		7	14	0
1876	Do.		102	Profit		43	15	9
1877	Do.	•••	126	Profit		48	5	6
1878	Do.		164	Profit	•••	48	14	6

The above Show—being the sixth—was most satisfactory, both in respect to the number and quality of the stock and the attendance of the public.

Subjoined also are the details in reference to the Spring Show. Statement of Spring Shows:—

1871-2	Entries	 696	Loss		£398	14	5	
1872		 1,000	Do.		498	2	10	
1873 Autumn Show ,,	Do.	 1,021	Do.	d)	491	19	2	
1874		 1,370	Profit		64	2	0	
1875	Do.	 1,307	Do.		167	6	4	
1876	Do.	 1,305	Do.		175	6	0	
1877	Do.	 1,433	Do.		597	6	0	
1878	Do.	 1,917	Do.		301	8	0	

The Spring Show, which was held at the usual time, showed plainly the great want of more extensive accommodation, the whole of the available area of the yards being crowded with exhibits to the entrance gates. Machinery,

implements, and general industrial manufactures were far more largely represented than on any former occasion; the live stock, in number strained the space capacity of the ground, and in point of quality showed that steady and unmistakable improvement which the careful attention of breeders is sure to effect. The attendance of the public was not so great as at the previous Annual Show, when the holiday for the Prince of Wales' Birthday enabled thousands to go whose occupation would prevent them doing so on the last occasion.

The overdraft, which for some years had crippled the finances, having been paid off, it was considered advisable to increase the value of prizes at the Spring Show by more than £100; and that such liberality has not been detrimental is proved by the balance-sheet.

As regards the general business of the Society, the Council have not much to report. They considered it their duty to oppose the free importation of stock from Europe. In this they were unsuccessful, but it is hoped that the stringent quarantine enforced will prevent the introduction of disease. The Society will, of course, carefully watch the operation of the new regulations.

Only one paper was read during the year, and that favour was rendered by the Honorary Chemist of the Society.

The thanks of the Council are herewith accorded to Mr. R. W. E. MacIvor for the useful and important paper on "Neglected Fertilizers," read by him on 9th December last.

The Council have to return their thanks for the following special donations:—

Donations towards overdraft, accounted for in last Annual Report, but not received until 1878 ... £72 17 6

DONATIONS.

Melbourne Total Abstinence Society, for use of Grounds ... 50 0 0 Peck, Hudson and Raynor, use of Office... 1 1 0

Donations as prizes :-

Donation	s as prizes:				
Robertson Bros., Colac, 4	cups, value	£10			
each			£40	.0	0
Edw. Johnstone and Co.			10	10	0.
Hugh Lennon	4-4-69		21	0	0
M'Culloch, Campbell and	Co.		10	0	0
M'Lean Bros. and Rigg	ile and		5	5	0
Jno. Cleeland		101	5	0	0
Jos. Clarke			10	0	O.
W. J. Clarke			10	0	0
Robertson and Moffat	•••		5	0	0
Wm. Cumming	Andreas Street		10	0	0.
Wm. Learmonth			2	2	0
Jno. Buncle			- 5	0	0.
Jno. Whiteman	***	•••	5	0	0
Stock and Station Agents			40	0	0
Jas. M'Ewan and Co.			5	5	0.
Thos. Henderson and Co.	• • •		5	0	0
Briscoe and Co			5	5	0.
Robert Simson	•••		5	5	0.
Executors of the late Jos.	Nicholson	•••	5	5	0.
Chas. D. Straker	• • •		5	5	0.
Chas. Lynott	• • •	•••	5	0	O.
J. L. Currie			5	5	0
Neil M'Lean and Sons			2	2	0.
Donovan and Mulcahy	26		1	1	0
W. Dean and Co.			1	1	0
Nash and Smith			1	1	0
Hay Lonie			1	1	0.
J. S. Hosie	1		5	0	0
Thos. Brunton			5	0	0.
Geo. Ramsden			5	0	0
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The Council return their most cordial thanks to the subscribers and exhibitors for their continued and increasing support.

During the past year the Society has lost five members by death—Edward Henty, Esq., President in 1876; also, Messrs. Smale, Stevenson, John Ritchie, and S. Learmonth.

The members of Council who have resigned during the year are Messrs. Jas. Hutchings, Andrew Murray, and Joseph Clarke, whose vacancies have been filled by Messrs. F. Ormond, James Duncan, and Abraham Lincolne.

The list of Office-Bearers for the past year is as follows:—

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The financial statement embodied in the balance-sheet hereto appended, and which has been carefully prepared and audited, should command special attention from the subscribers. The usual strict economy has been observed, the prizes offered have been largely increased, and the cash balance in favour of the Society at the end of the year, after paying all liabilities, is £366 14s.

The Office-Bearers who retire in terms of the By-laws are as follow:—

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F. R. Godfrey do. do. do.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

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Thos. Armstrong do. do.

W. K. Thomson do. do.

J. G. Brisbane do. do.

A. Patterson do. do.

F. Ormond, gone to England.

R. W. E. MacIvor, not eligible for re-election.

The Council have held fourteen sittings during the past year, and the register of attendance of each of the members gives the following account:—

PRESIL	ENT.			M. J. Browne, elect	ed 14/	10/78,	
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RULES.

1. The Society shall be called "THE NATIONAL AGRICUL-TURAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA."

2. The objects of the Society shall be to promote the development of the Agricultural, Pastoral, and Industrial resources of

the Colony;
(1.) By holding Exhibitions, at such places and times as the Council shall appoint; and by offering and awarding

prizes and premiums at all such Exhibitions.

(2.) By holding Meetings, at such places and times as the Council shall appoint, at which Meetings papers may be read and discussed; but subjects of a political tendency shall be strictly excluded.

(3.) By collecting such information from agricultural publications and scientific works as may be useful in promoting

the objects of the Society.

(4.) By corresponding with Agricultural and other kindred Societies, at home and abroad, and collecting from such correspondence all information which, in the opinion of the Council, may lead to practical benefit in the cultivation of the soil and breeding of stock, as well as in the

prosecution of other important industries.

(5.) By encouraging the attention of men of science to the discovery of better methods of cultivation, to the improvement of agricultural implements and machinery, the construction of farm buildings, the application of chemistry to the general purposes of agriculture, the destruction of insects injurious to vegetable life, and the eradication or utilization of weeds.

(6.) By promoting the discovery and introduction of new varieties of cereals, vegetables, or grasses, suitable to the climate, and capable of being cultivated with profit; and also the introduction of desirable kinds and varieties of

live stock.

(7.) By collecting information regarding the management of plantations, live fences, and other subjects connected

with rural improvement.

(8.) By investigating the nature of diseases in animals or plants, and taking measures for the publication, at such times and periods as the Council may appoint, of the

information thus collected, together with all approved original essays sent in, lectures delivered, or papers read to the Society; besides making provision for the establishment of a Library and Reading-room for the use of Members.

(9.) By remunerating any person who shall undertake, at the request of the Council, to ascertain by experiment how far such information may lead to useful results in practice, for any loss incurred by such experiments.

3. The Society shall consist of a President, six Vice-Presidents, three Trustees, Governors, Members, Honorary Scientific Members (not exceeding six in number), and Corresponding Members.

4. The President shall be elected annually, and not be eligible.

for re-election two years in succession.

5. The President, Vice-Presidents, and Trustees shall be elected from the class of Governors, being, or having been, members of Council; and the Trustees may hold office until disqualified, or until they are removed in due form at the Annual or at a Special General Meeting of the Society.

6. Governors shall pay a subscription of three pounds, and Members one pound, annually in advance, with power to compound for life by the payment in one sum of eight annual

subscriptions.

7. Every candidate for admission into the Society, by giving his name and address, with his subscription, to the Secretary, shall be duly constituted a Member of the same, and shall have all the rights of membership till the day after the Annual Meeting then next ensuing: Provided that when any subscription shall be paid in the name of any firm or company, any one Member of the same may exercise the rights and privileges belonging to the same, and may be elected to any office.

8. The Council shall consist of thirty-four Members, including the President, Vice-Presidents, and three Trustees, to be elected from the class of Governors only, the remainder to be elected indiscriminately from amongst the Governors and Members of

the Society.

9. One half of the Council, excepting the President and Trustees, shall retire annually, but be eligible for re-election.

10. The Council is to be regulated in its proceedings by such By-laws as may, and shall, from time to time be enacted by it, conformably with the Constitution and objects of the Society; but no By-law shall in any case be altered, or new one proposed, unless notice of such intention has been given at a previous meeting and sent to each Member of the Council.

11. The Council shall have sole management of the income and funds of the Society, and also the entire management and

superintendence of all other affairs and concerns thereof.

12. The Council shall have power to appoint and remove all

paid officers required for duly carrying out the objects of the

Society.

13. The Council shall have power to elect Honorary, Scientific, and Corresponding Members; notice of such intention having been given at a previous Meeting, and a circular having been sent to each Member of the Council.

14. All Governors and Honorary Scientific Members may attend meetings of Council, and take part in discussions

thereat, but shall not have power to vote.

I5. The Council may fill up any vacancies in its own body created by death, resignation, or occurring in any other way

amongst its office-bearers.

16. The Society's financial year shall end on the 31st of December; and a Preliminary General Meeting shall be held on the third Thursday in January, to arrange the business and receive notices of motion for the Annual General Meeting, to appoint Auditors, and to nominate gentlemen to fill the places of retiring office-bearers.

17. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in Melbourne, on the third Thursday in February; at which meeting the Annual Report and Balance-sheet shall be read, all office-bearers elected, and any other business transacted of which due notice

may have been given.

18. A Special General Meeting of the Society may be called at any time by the Secretary, on direction of the President, or on the requisition of ten Members of the Society; but no business shall be transacted at any such meeting other than that for which it has been called. And a Special Meeting of the Council may be summoned by direction of the President, or of three Members of the Council; but no orders then made shall be valid unless confirmed by the next Monthly Council.

19. The privilege of membership shall consist of power to vote at the election of all office-bearers, of free admission to the Library, Reading-Room, Lectures; and, with two ladies, to the

Society's Exhibitions.

20. These Rules shall not be altered except by a majority of the Members present at the Annual or at a Special General Meeting of not less than ten Members, exclusive of Members of Council.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

21. Public notice of the Preliminary, Annual, and Special General Meetings of the Society shall be given in such newspapers as the Council may decide, and by circular through post to every Member; and all matters, except the election of the office-bearers at the Annual Meeting, shall be determined by a show of hands, unless a division be called for. At every Annual General Meeting a Report, together with a Financial Statement from the

Council, shall be read, and any Governor or Member present may propose any questions to the Council respecting the matters contained in such report, and comment thereon; or may refer to such other matters relating to the government of the Society and the management of its affairs as to him may seem proper; provided that his remarks have reference to some motion of which notice has been previously given at the Preliminary General

Meeting.

22. At the Preliminary General Meeting in January, Notices of Motion for the Annual General Meeting in the following month will be received, Auditors appointed, and gentlemen nominated to fill the places of retiring office-bearers. Previous to the day of meeting, the Council shall have prepared a list of Governors and Members whom they propose to fill the vacant offices of Vice-Presidents and Members of Council; to which list of candidates the names of any other Governors and Members may be added on their being duly proposed and seconded at the Meeting.

23. At the Annual General Meeting in February, the election of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of Council shall take place by ballot, before the commencement of any other-

business.

24. To allow of a Ballot being taken, printed lists of the Governors and Members duly proposed shall be given by the Secretary to each member of the Society present in the room; two scrutineers shall be chosen, and each Member desiring to vote shall hand to the Chairman his copy of the said list, with such names erased therefrom as he may think fit. Any list containing more than the requisite number of names unerased shall

be rejected by the scrutineers.

25. Should it be deemed advisable to remove one or more of the Trustees from office, notice to that effect must be given at the Preliminary General Meeting or one month previous to any Special General Meeting. Governors to fill the vacancies, if any, must also be nominated at the former meeting and elected at the latter. Extraordinary vacancies amongst the Trustees may be filled up by the Council, or at the Annual General Meeting.

THE PRESIDENT.

26. The President shall, in all official relations of the Society, take precedence of all other Governors and Members, and shall take the chair, when present, having (as well as every other Chairman of the Council) the privilege of a casting vote in addition to his own in all cases of equality in a division on any question. He shall sign all such letters, votes of thanks, and other documents, as the Council may direct to be written in the name and on behalf of the Council.

THE COUNCIL.

27. The Council shall hold a Meeting at least every month on such day as the Council may decide, at two o'clock p.m., for the transaction of the business of the Society, and may adjourn from time to time at their discretion.

28. At the Monthly Meetings the Council shall have full power to originate, discuss, and decide, by a majority of votes, on a show of hands, all questions not involving an unusual outlay of money, brought before it; provided that if any Member present regard any proposition brought forward as too important for immediate decision, he may object, and demand the usual month's notice, whereupon all discussion on the question shall cease.

29. Minutes of the proceedings of every Meeting of the Council, or of any Committee, shall be taken during their progress by the Secretary, or, in case of his absence, by some Member present, whom the Chairman may appoint for the occasion. The minutes shall afterwards be fairly copied into a

minute book kept for that purpose.

30. The Council shall, from time to time, draw up such Bylaws as may appear to them expedient for conducting the proceedings of their own meetings, which shall be binding on the Members of Council; for the good management of the Society and its concerns; and all such By-laws shall be binding on all and every the Governors and Members, Honorary and Corresponding Members, officers, and servants of the Society, as well as on all Exhibitors, or their assistants, at the Society's Exhibitions.

31. The Council may appoint Committees to examine into or take action on any special matters relating to the objects or business of the Society, and may dissolve such Committees whensoever they shall think proper.

32. The Council shall appoint a Banker or Bankers to the Society, to whom all sums of money received by the Secretary

or other persons for the use of the Society shall be paid.

33. No money shall be drawn from the Society's banking account but by order of the Council, after a report from the Finance Committee, and by cheques signed by the Chairman and another Member of the Finance Committee, and countersigned by the Secretary. A book shall be kept in which a consecutive entry shall be made of all such payments.

34. The Secretary shall notify to the Council, on the Agenda Paper, any vacancy which may have occurred in the list of Vice-Presidents, Trustees, or Members of Council, at the meeting of Council next after the happening of such vacancy; and such vacancy shall not be filled up until the Monthly Meeting of

the Council which shall take place next after such notice.

35. In the absence of the President, the chair shall be taken by a Vice-President; and should neither of such officers be

present, then by such Member as the Council shall choose as their Chairman by a majority of votes.

36. The quorum of a Monthly or Special Council shall be five.

37. At every Monthly Meeting of Council the business shall be as follows:—1. Reading and confirming minutes of previous meeting. 2. Election of officers, and nominations for vacancies.

3. Finance Committee's Report. 4. Postponed business. 5. Correspondence. 6. Motions. 7. Notices of Motions.

38. All minutes and reports read at, and adopted by, the

Council shall be signed by the Chairman.

39. The report from the Council to the Annual Meeting in February shall be prepared at the Council Meeting first in that month, or at some adjournment thereof.

COMMITTEES.

40. The Council shall elect such Standing Committees, at the Monthly Council Meeting in March, as they think fit, which shall remain in office until the Annual General Meeting in the ensuing year. Such Committees to consist of not more than five

Members, two to form a quorum.

41. Each Committee, at its first meeting, shall elect its own Chairman for that year, and in his absence a Chairman shall be elected by the Committee for the occasion; and any Member of any such Committee who shall absent himself from three consecutive meetings without leave shall thereupon cease to be a Member of such Committee, and the vacancy so created shall be filled up at the next Council Meeting ensuing.

42. All Committees may make or adopt Rules for the conduct of their business, and shall make a report of their proceedings to the Council, and shall sit until they have made their respective reports; but in case such reports shall not have been made previous to the third Thursday in February next

after their appointment, their powers shall then cease.

THE SECRETARY.

- 43. The Secretary shall be immediately responsible to the Council for the discharge of his various duties. He shall attend the sittings of all meetings of Council, and shall conduct the correspondence of the Society, and keep letter books, in which copies of all letters on the business of the Society shall be entered.
- 44. Under the direction of the Finance Committee, he shall be responsible for all moneys received, paying such sums into the hands of the Society's Bankers, and producing at each meeting of the Finance Committee receipts for the same; and, excepting the amount allowed him for petty cash, he shall not retain in his hands any money belonging to the Society, but shall pay it over forthwith to the Society's Bankers. He shall have charge of the expenditure of petty cash.

45. He shall have the custody of all books, models, and papers belonging to the Society. All books, pamphlets, &c., becoming the property of the Society, shall be stamped with the

Society's stamp at once.

46. He shall have the immediate superintendence over the clerks and servants of the Society, and shall be required to report to the Council any instances of misconduct on their part which he thinks of such a nature as to require the consideration of the Council.

47. He shall find, if required, approved security to the amount

of £500, the premium to be paid by the Society.

48. The Secretary shall not exercise any of the privileges of a Governor or Member of the Society.

FINANCE.

49. The Finance Committee shall have the immediate care of the Society's Accounts, and shall meet on the first Friday in every month, in order to prepare a report for the Council on the state of the Society's funds, which they shall present to each Monthly Meeting and lay before it in the following form:—

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as well as a statement of the payments recommended to be made, together with all the books in which entries of cash receipts or payments are made, and such documents as the business of the day may require. Should a report from the Finance Committee not have been presented to the Meeting of Council, the Secretary shall report the state of the funds to the Council, in which case the Council shall vote the moneys required without such report.

50. All receipts for money received on behalf of the Society

shall be out of a book with counterpart.

51. All money received and paid shall be entered daily in a

general cash book.

52 Once in every year, not later than two weeks after the Preliminary General Meeting, there shall be an Audit of the Society's accounts by a professional accountant, before whom a balance-sheet shall be laid by the Secretary, which audited account shall be presented at the Annual Meeting.

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WITH

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS,

ATTENDANCE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS,

AND RULES.

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NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COUNCIL

OF THE

National Agricultural Society of Victoria.

TO THE SUBSCRIBERS.

Gentlemen,—The general depression which, during the past year, has affected the pastoral and agricultural interests of the colony might, doubtless, have justified an apprehension that a considerable abatement of success in the operations of the Society would, during the same period of time, be manifested. It is, therefore, most gratifying to your Council, in presenting this, their Ninth Annual Report and Financial Statement, to show a satisfactory balance on the credit side.

This result is to be accounted for by the continued liberality of subscribers and donors, and by the increasing support afforded by the public to the Society's exhibitions of stock and machinery.

But, while the position and progress of the Society are alike satisfactory, it is with much regret the Council have to announce that their repeated applications to Government for a suitable site for show yards have, as heretofore, been unattended with success. The urgent necessity of the Society to be fitly and permanently located has, from time to time, been brought under the notice of Ministers, but, unfortunately, without obtaining that just and wise recognition of its great usefulness to the community which would justify any Government in making a liberal concession of

suitable land whereon the Society's national and valuable exhibitions might be regularly and adequately held.

That the Government has not been wholly insensible to the validity of the Society's claims in this respect is proved by the fact that two (separate) areas of public ground have been offered to the Council by the Minister of Lands, namely:—

- 1. A piece of ground known as the Old Pound and Store Reserve, at the top of Elizabeth-street north. This was declined on account of a proviso that it should be vested in the Society conjointly with the corporation of the City of Melbourne.
- 2. A portion of the Old Model Farm, near the Jika Jika Reformatory, adjoining the Royal Park. The Council were compelled to decline this also, on account of the remoteness of the ground from the city, and its otherwise general unfitness and ineligibility as a site for such buildings as the Society desire to erect for their exhibitions of agricultural produce, machinery, and other essentially valuable products and objects calculated to interest and instruct the farmer, stockbreeder, machinist, and the general public, and otherwise to develope our national resources.

Yet, notwithstanding the want of assistance and encouragement the Society has met with in this matter from successive Governments, your Council will not relax their efforts until show yards shall have been obtained, and commodious buildings erected thereon worthy of the important and primary national interests which this Society has the honour to represent.

The subjoined details are submitted as showing the operations of the Society during the past year, and are trusted to prove that, while the field of the Society's usefulness to the community is practically unlimited, a steady extension of its capacity is being surely made.

The Annual Horse Show, held in August last, resulted in a net profit of £44 14s.; and the Spring Show, £272 15s. 11d.

The Council desire to accord their thanks to Mr. Hugh Lennon for the interesting and valuable paper contributed and read by him on the subject of Agricultural Shows. This was the only paper read before the Society during the year, a fact which your Council regret, seeing the ability of so many of its members to supply information of practical value to the farming community.

The Council have to return thanks for donations for general purposes and for prizes as follows—

The Melbourne Total Abstinence Society... £25 0 0 Joseph Clarke, Esq. ... 10 10 0

The donations as prizes amounted to £206 8s., a detailed statement of which will be found in the Annual Statement of Accounts annexed.

Cordial thanks are again returned to subscribers and exhibitors for their liberal support.

During the year the Society has lost, by death, seven of its well-known and deservedly-respected members, viz., H. M. C. Gemmell, Monckton Synnott, John Carr Riddell; James Robertson, La Rose; John Grant, Flemington; William Derham, Hotham; and A. N. Gilbert, Warwilla, N.S.W.

One member of Council, Mr. M. J. Browne, has resigned during the year, in consequence of his having left the colony, the vacancy caused thereby having been filled by the election of Mr. H. Lonie.

Mr. Graham Mitchell resigned his official position as the Society's Honorary Veterinary Surgeon, and has been succeeded therein by Mr. Charles Marson, M.R.C.V.S., who was duly appointed.

The Honorary Chemist, Mr. M'Ivor, has also resigned.

In closing their report, your Council wish to reiterate the expression of their firm conviction that agricultural and pastoral pursuits, intelligently and liberally guided and animated, constitute the only sure basis of material wealth and public happiness.

The special attention of subscribers is directed to the appended financial statement, which, as usual, has been carefully prepared and audited, and which shows beyond all liabilities a credit abalance of £434 19s. 9d.

The list of Office-Bearers for the year is as follows:-

President:

JOB SMITH, Esq., Northcote.

Vice-Presidents:

ROBERT SIMSON, Esq., Leura, Toorak.

HUGH LENNON, Esq., North Melbourne.

D. C. M'ARTHUR, Esq., Ivanhoe. ARCHD. FISKEN, Esq., Lal-Lal.

The Hon. W. J. CLARKE, M.L.C., Sunbury. SAML. GARDINER, Esq., Bundoora Park.

Trustees :

The Hon. J. G. Francis, Sunbury.
The Hon. T. J. Sumner, M.L.C., Stony Park.
Robt. M'Dougall, Esq., Arundel, Keilor.

Members of Council:

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Hon. Veterinary Surgeon:

CHAS. MARSON.

Secretary:

WALTER MACFARLANE.

The Office-Bearers who retire, in terms of the Rules of the Society, 1879, are as follows:—

PRESIDENT.

Job Smith, not eligible for re-election.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

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MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

James Duncan, eligible for re-election.

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