

provisions of this act, and the aforesaid chapter one hundred and six of the laws of the year last aforesaid, is hereby repealed, but the repeal aforesaid shall not effect or divest any right or lien accrued or acquired thereunder.

§ 8. This act shall be printed by the state printer immediately after the passage thereof, and when so published shall take effect and be in full force.

Approved, March 23, 1854.

Chap. 40.

AN ACT for the encouragement of Agriculture and its kindred Arts in this State.

Published, March 29, 1854.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

§ 1. There is hereby annually appropriated, until the legislature shall by law otherwise direct, to the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society, the sum of three thousand dollars, to be expended by said society in such manner as it may deem best calculated to promote and improve the condition of agriculture, horticulture, and the mechanical, manufacturing, and household arts in this state, either for the payment of premiums at the annual cattle shows and fairs of the society, or in the purchase and distribution of choice seeds, cuttings, plants, or tubers which have been tested and found adapted to the soil and climate of this state, or in the prosecution of scientific investigations and experiments, and the collection and diffusion of information tending to develop the natural and agricultural resources of Wisconsin: *Provided*, That no part of the sums of money hereby appropriated shall be applied

either directly or indirectly to the payment of any salaries or fees of any of the officers of said society.

Accurate account
of expenditures
to be kept.

§ 2. It shall be the duty of the executive committee of said Wisconsin State Agricultural Society, to keep an accurate account of the manner of expenditure of the said sums of money hereby appropriated, and transmit the same, together with the vouchers therefor, to the governor of this state, in the month of January in each year, to be by him laid before the legislature.

Duty of execu-
tive committee.

§ 3. It shall also be the duty of the said executive committee of the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society, to collect, arrange, and collate all the information in their power in relation to the nature, origin, and preparation of soils, the cultivation and growth of crops, the breeding and management of stock, the application and character of manures and fertilizers, the introduction of new cereal and other grains, and other agricultural subjects, and report the same, together with a statement of their own proceedings, to the governor of this state, in the month of January in each year, to be by him laid before the legislature.

Time of paying
appropriation.

§ 4. The sums of money hereby appropriated shall be paid to the treasurer of said society in the month of February in each year, upon the order of the president and secretary of said society. *Provided*, That in the present year the same shall be paid immediately after the passage of this act.

Proviso.

§ 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage; and an act entitled "an act for the encouragement of agriculture and its kindred arts in this state," approved April 2, 1853, is hereby repealed.

§ 6. The fifth section of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Wisconsin State Agricultural Society," approved February 9, 1853, is hereby repealed.

Approved, March 23, 1854.