

FARMERS' INSTITUTES OF ONTARIO.

ACT, RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1899.

In the construction of the Farmers' Institutes Act and of the Rules—

- (1) "The Department" shall mean the Department of Agriculture of the Province of Ontario.
- (2) "The Minister" shall mean the Minister of Agriculture of the Province of Ontario.
- (3) "The Superintendent" shall mean the Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes for the Province of Ontario.
- (4) "District" shall mean a district composed of municipalities as set forth in Schedule "A" of the Act, Rules and Regulations.
- (5) "Regular meetings" are those at which delegates sent by the Superintendent are present, and whose expenses, etc., are paid by the Department.
- (6) "Supplementary meetings" are those conducted by the local officers.
- (7) "Regular delegates" are those sent annually to assist local officers to hold regular meetings.
- (8) "Supplementary speakers" are those sent at the request of local officers to assist said officers when holding supplementary meetings.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES ACT.

I. The formation of farmers' institutes, for the purpose of disseminating information in regard to agriculture, shall be permitted under this Act, one for each District as given in Schedule "A" to this Act, but the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may, upon the recommendation of the Minister, authorize the organization of additional farmers' institutes, or make changes in the limits of the various Districts, so far as farmers' institutes are concerned, in order to increase their efficiency.

II. The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may, upon recommendation of the Minister, adopt rules or regulations for the general guidance or direction of such farmers' institutes.

III. Every farmers' institute shall be entitled to receive such money out of the unappropriated funds in the hands of the Provincial Treasurer as the Legislature may grant, provided—

- (a) That the number of members is at least fifty, each paying an annual fee of not less than 25 cents.
- (b) That the rules or regulations approved by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council have been carefully observed.
- (c) That all reports or returns required to be made to the Superintendent have been made to the satisfaction of the Minister.