

Art. 2. The officers of this society, shall be a President, a vice President, a recording secretary, a corresponding secretary, an assistant recording secretary, a professor of Agricultural Chemistry, a professor of Botany, a treasurer, an assistant treasurer, and two collectors, one for each shore, twenty four trustees, and such other officers as the bye-laws of the society shall from time to time direct; all officers, where not otherwise directed, shall be chosen by ballot, to serve until the close of the next exhibition, and then and thereafter be annually elected at the meeting held on the western shore, in the month of November, or such other month as may be found to be convenient.

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Officers.

Art. 3. The duty of the President shall be to preside at all meetings, to direct such correspondence as may be necessary, to superintend the affairs of the society, and to make such communications as from time may be deemed useful.

Presidents
duty.

Art. 4. The Vice President in case of the absence of the president shall fulfil his duties, and in case of the absence, death or resignation of any officer, the society shall have power to appoint in his place a member to act until the appearance of such absent officer, or in case of death or resignation, until another officer shall be duly elected.

Vice presi-
dent.

Art. 5. Twenty four trustees shall be elected, of whom twelve shall be from the western shore, and twelve shall be from the eastern shore, to be elected by the members of each shore respectively; they shall meet as often as their respective chairman, or any two members may deem it necessary, and any three members shall constitute a quorum; the trustees shall from time to time examine in person the management and condition of such farms as they may consider objects worthy of their attention, and they shall make report to the society of such as may merit their approbation, they shall severally take charge of all the property and articles of the society, on their respective shores, the books and papers of the other departments excepted; it shall be their duty to take the most efficient measures for collecting and distributing the best samples of all the useful grains, roots and seeds, for collecting all fossils, marls, earth or substances proper for manure, for causing the same to be analysed, and report the result to the society; for procuring experiments, to be made by careful agriculturists, of all such fossils, marls, earth or substances; for collecting models of the best agricultural implements, and to report their properties and usefulness, to designate from time to time all subjects and objects for which premiums for the same, to appoint committees to examine into the merits of, & report on all claims for premiums, to designate the time and make the requisite preparatory arrangements every year for the meeting of the society, and to keep regular minutes of all their proceedings; the trustees of each shore shall have power to fill up from time to time such vacancies as may occur in the respective boards.

Trustees,
their duty, &c.

Art. 6. The assistant secretary, the assistant treasurer, & the twelve trustees for the eastern shore of Maryland, shall be chosen at a meeting to be called on that shore, by the vice president, and when so chosen, shall serve until the close of the next exhibition on the eastern shore, and the trustees for said shore, shall then and thereafter be chosen annually.

First meet-
ings on eas-
tern shore.

Art. 7. The society shall have power to make such bye-laws & regu-

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