BACON'S VISIONARY SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZATION ON THE UTOPIAN ISLAND OF BENSALEM

- 1. We have twelve people who sail into foreign countries, who bring us the books, outlines, and patterns of experiments from all other parts.
- 2. We have three people who collect the experiments which are in all books.
- 3. We have three people who collect the experiments of all mechanical arts, and also of liberal sciences, and also of other practices.
- 4. We have three people who try new experiments, such as they think good.
- 5. We have three people who organize the experiments of the former four into titles and tables, to help us understand them.
- 6. We have three people who analyze the experiments of their fellows, and try to figure out useful applications for our lives.
- 7. After different meetings and consultations of our whole number to consider these above-mentioned activities, we have three people who direct new, more advanced experiments, which are more penetrating into nature than the former.
- 8. We have three others that carry out the experiments so directed, and then report to us on them.
- 9. Lastly, we have three people who make larger generalizations from the above experiments.
- 10. We also have meetings, where we discuss which ones of the inventions and experiments which we have made shall be published, and which not.
- 11. For our ceremonies, we have two very long and beautiful galleries; in one of these we place plans and exhibits of all of the more excellent inventions; in the other we place statues of all principal inventors.

- 12. For every invention of value we erect a statue to the inventor, and give him a liberal and honorable reward.
- 13. Lastly, we publish such new profitable inventions as we think good. And we also forecast and warn of diseases, plagues, swarms of hurtful creatures, famine, storms, earthquakes, floods, comets, temperatures, and different other things; and give advice as to what the people may do for their prevention.

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