

and made in steel plates; and all bills and notes so signed and countersigned, shall be binding on the said Corporation, and payable in specie at the said Bank; provided no note shall be issued by the said Corporation for a less sum than one dollar.

25. The said Corporation shall be liable to pay to any *bona fide* holder, the original amount of any note of the said Bank which shall have been counterfeited or altered in course of its circulation to a larger amount, notwithstanding such alteration.

26. The said Bank shall be kept and established in the County of Westmorland.

27. The Directors shall, at the general meeting to be held on the first Tuesday in June in every year, lay before the stockholders for their information, an exact and particular statement of the amount of debts due to and by the said Corporation, the amount of Bank notes then in circulation, the amount of gold and silver in hand, and the amount of such debts as are in their opinion bad or doubtful; also the surplus or profits (if any) remaining after deduction of losses and provisions for dividends; which statement shall be signed by the Directors and attested by the Cashier; and a duplicate statement so signed and attested, shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Province, for the information of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, and the Legislature; provided always, that the rendering of such statement shall not extend to give any right to the stockholders not being Directors, to inspect the account of any individual or individuals with the said Corporation.

28. No loan shall be made by the said Bank on the pledge of its own stock.

29. Any Joint Committee hereafter to be appointed by the Honorable the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly, for the purpose of examining into the proceedings of the said Corporation, shall, either during the Session or prorogation of the General Assembly, have free access to all the books and vaults of the same.

30. Any number of stockholders not less than twelve, who together shall be proprietors of three hundred shares, shall have power at any time by themselves or their proxies to