

from his or their remedy against the Joint Stock, lands, tenements, goods and chattels of the said Bank for such excess as aforesaid.— And provided always, that such President or Vice-President, Director or Directors as may have been absent when the said excess of debt may have been contracted, or as may have opposed the same, and shall have entered his or their Protest accordingly, upon the Minutes or proceedings of the said Directors, shall be discharged from such liability, by pleading and proving such absence, or opposition and protest.

XIX. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said President, Vice-President, and Directors for the time being, shall keep or cause to be kept, just, true, and fair statements, or accounts, of all the interests, discounts, premiums, deposits, subscriptions, instalments, or other moneys or effects received by them, or either of them, or their assigns, from the aforesaid proprietors, or from any other person or persons, co-partnership or co-partnerships, body or bodies politic or corporate, for and on account of the said Bank, and of all moneys by them expended for and on account of the said Bank, of which the said Directors shall at least once in every year submit a Statement or Statements to a General Meeting of Stockholders, duly assembled as aforesaid for that purpose; together with a detailed account or accounts, or statement of the amount of the debts due to and by the said Bank, and also of the amount of all Bank Notes, Bills, Bonds, or Receipts, then in circulation, and the amount of all and every such debt or debts, due and owing to the said Bank as in the opinion of the said Directors may be considered as dubious. Provided that nothing herein contained shall extend to allow or confer any right to any Proprietor or Proprietors in the said Bank, not being a Director or Directors in the same to inspect or examine the account or accounts of any individual or individuals with the said Bank.

XX. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said President, Vice-President, and Directors, shall also keep, or cause to be kept, just and true accounts of all and every the profits and advantages arising from, or accruing to the said Bank; and shall make and declare a dividend of the clear profits and income, (all contingent costs and charges, losses and expenses, being first deducted) among the Proprietors aforesaid; and shall on every the last Monday in April and in October in every year, publish the half-yearly dividend or dividends, to be made of the said clear profits to and amongst the said Proprietors, and of the time and place, when and where such payments are to be made.