

by and with the assent of Two-thirds of the Shareholders, to be given in writing at any General or Special Meeting regularly convened, and not otherwise, to borrow on mortgage of the Property belonging to the said Corporation such sums of money as may be required for the uses thereof, or absolutely to sell and dispose of the Real Estate and Property of the said Company, if deemed expedient; and the said Directors are hereby authorized to convey in mortgage any Lands or Real Estate of the said Corporation, for the purpose of securing the monies so to be borrowed as aforesaid, or in case of an absolute sale of the said Real Estate, or any part thereof, to grant and convey the same, and to make the necessary Deeds and Conveyances for that purpose.

XVIII. *Provided always, and be it enacted,* That nothing herein contained shall be held or construed to give the said Company the privilege of dealing in the lending of money by way of discount or otherwise, or of engaging in any Banking operation whatsoever, or to effect any insurance upon any Ship or Vessel, or Marine risk, or upon any Loss by Fire, or upon any Life or Lives.

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