

Bank may hold Mortgages on vessels.

V. The said Bank may take and hold mortgages on ships, steam-ships, and other vessels, by way of additional security for debts contracted to the Bank, in the course of their dealings; anything in the twenty-first section of the said Act of Incorporation, or in any other law, to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Section 22 of Act of incorporation amended.

VI. For the words "one-third," contained in the twenty-second section of the said Act of Incorporation, the words "one-tenth" shall be, and are hereby substituted.

Notes need not be countersigned.

VII. So much of the twenty-fourth section of the said Act of Incorporation, as requires, that the ordinary Bills and Notes of the Bank, not under seal, shall be countersigned by a Cashier, Accountant or Book-keeper of the Bank, shall be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 27 of Act of incorporation amended.

Proviso: Bank not excluded from benefit of 16 Vict. c. 162.

VIII. For the words "one-fifth," contained in the twenty-seventh section of the said Act of Incorporation, the words "one-third" shall be, and are hereby substituted: Provided always, that nothing in this Act or in the said Act of Incorporation contained, shall be held to exclude the said Bank from availing itself, at any time, of the provisions of the Act of the Parliament of this Province, passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's reign (Cap. 162), and intituled, "*An Act to encourage the issue by the Chartered Banks in this Province, of Notes secured in the manner provided by the General Banking Law.*"

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Wilfully altering, &c. accounts, &c. to be felony.

IX. Any person wilfully and fraudulently making, or causing to be made, any entry, erasure or alteration of any description whatever, in any book of account, or other book, or in any account, of or belonging to the said Bank, or of or belonging to any one of the branches, agencies, or officers of the said Bank, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of felony, and be punished accordingly.

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Public Act.

X. This Act shall be a public Act.