

times hereafter, whenever it may be deemed expedient by a majority of the Stock-holders of the said Bank, at a General Meeting to be called for that purpose, be increased from the said sum of two hundred and fifty thousand pounds, to which it is herein-before limited, to any sum or sums, not exceeding seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds, current money of this Province; which increase of the said Capital Stock shall be divided into shares of fifty pounds each; and whensoever the expediency of such increase of the said Capital Stock may be so determined on, a Book or Books of subscription for raising the additional stock to compleat the said amount to any sum or sums, not exceeding 750,000 pounds, as aforesaid, shall be opened at the said city of Quebec, under the superintendence of the Directors of the said Bank for the time being; which Book or Books of subscription shall continue open till the whole, or such part as aforesaid of the said additional stock shall have been subscribed; and notice of the opening of the said Book or Books of subscription, shall be given in one or more of the newspapers published at the said city of Quebec, at least                      weeks prior to the day of which the said Book or Books of subscription shall be opened.

XXVII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons, co-partnership or co-partnerships, being subjects of His Majesty, or foreigners, body politic or corporate, to subscribe for shares of the said additional stock; and the said additional stock, shall and may be subscribed in such number of shares by each person respectively, and be payable according to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed in this behalf by a majority of Stock-holders of the said Bank, at a meeting to be held for that purpose before the opening of the said Book or Books of subscription.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no Stock-holder or Stock-holders, shall be answerable in his, her, or their private or natural capacity or capacities for the debts of the said Bank, excepting Directors, who may be liable, as herein-before mentioned, in cases where the total amount of debts contracted by the said Bank, shall, during their administration, exceed the limitation by this Act prescribed.

XXIX. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for the Directors of the said Bank, for the time being, to loan to His Majesty's Government, when thereunto authorized by an Act of the Provincial Parliament, such sums of money as His Majesty's Government, by such Act of the Provincial Parliament, may be authorized to receive or loan, not exceeding in all of the capital Stock of the said Bank.