

XIII. A copy of all By-laws or of any one or more of them, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and signed by the Secretary or by one or more of the Directors, shall be *prima facie* evidence in all Courts of such By-laws, and that the same were duly made and are in force; and in 5 any action or proceeding between the Corporation and any Shareholder, or any other person, it shall not be necessary to prove the seal, and all documents purporting to be sealed with the said seal shall be taken to have been duly sealed.

Copy of By-laws, sealed with seal of Corporation, &c., *prima facie* evidence.

XIV. Each Stockholder shall be entitled to a number of votes equal to 10 the number of his shares, at the time of voting (except at the first election after the passing of this Act.

Number of votes to which Stockholders entitled.

XV. The Corporation shall not be bound to see to the execution of any trust to which any of the said shares may be subject, and the receipt of the party in whose name any such share shall stand in the Books of the 15 Corporation, shall from time to time be a discharge to the Corporation for any dividend or other sum of money payable in respect of such share, notwithstanding any trust to which such share may then be subject, and whether or not the Corporation have had notice of such trust, and the Corporation shall not be bound to see to the application of the money paid 20 upon such receipt.

Corporation not obliged to see to the execution of any trust.

XVI. Except as herein otherwise provided for, all matters at any General, Special or other Meeting of the Company, or at any meeting of the Directors, shall be determined by the majority of the votes of the Shareholders or Directors, as the case may be, present at such meeting, either 25 in person or by proxy, and in case of an equality of votes the Chairman of such meeting shall have a casting vote, and a majority of the whole number of Directors shall form a *quorum* for the transaction of business, and a majority of such *quorum* shall decide.

Questions to be decided by majority of votes.

XVII. All Acts done by any person acting as Director, shall, notwithstanding 30 any defect in his appointment or that he was disqualified, be as valid as if he had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a Director, and shall bind the Corporation and every person interested in said acts.

Acts done by any acting Director to be valid.

XVIII. In all actions or suits at law by or against the Corporation, or to which the Corporation may be a party, in Lower Canada, recourse shall be 35 had to the Rules of Evidence laid down in the laws of England, as recognized by the Courts in Lower Canada in commercial cases, except as regards actions for real estate, or incidental thereto, in Lower Canada, in which case the laws of Lower Canada shall prevail: Provided always, that no Shareholder shall be deemed an incompetent witness either for or against the Corpora- 40 tion, unless he be incompetent otherwise than as a Shareholder.

What rules of evidence shall apply.

XIX. In no case shall it be deemed necessary to have the Seal of the Company affixed to any contract or agreement of the Corporation, or to prove that the same was entered into, made or done in strict pursuance of the By-laws; nor shall the party entering into, making or doing the same 45 as Director or agent be thereby subjected individually to any liability whatsoever: Provided always, that nothing in this Section shall be construed to authorize the Corporation to issue any Promissory Note intended to be circulated as money, or as the Notes of a Bank.

Seal need not be affixed, to contracts, &c.

XX. All and every the real and immoveable property, estate and 50 effects of the present Company, and all and every their rights, powers

Real estate, &c., of Com-