which shall have been counterfeited or altered in the course of its circulation to a larger amount, notwithstanding such alteration.

- 27. The said Bank shall be kept and established in the Parish of Chatham and County of Northumberland, or at such other place as the Board of Directors may think it necessary to remove the said Bank on account of any great emergency for the security thereof.
- 28. The Directors shall at the general meeting to be held on the first Monday in May in every year, lay before the stockholders for their information an exact and particular statement of the amount of debts due to and by the said Corporation, the amount of bank notes then in circulation, the amount of gold and silver in hand, and the amount of such debts as are in their opinion bad or doubtful; also the surplus or profit (if any) remaining after deductions of losses and provision for dividends. which statement shall be signed by the Directors and attested by the Cashier; and a duplicate statement so signed and attested shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Province for the information of the Governor and the Legislature: provided always, that the rendering of such statement shall not extend to give any right to the stockholders, not being Directors, to inspect the accounts of any individual or individuals with the said Corporation.
- 29. No loan shall be made by the said Bank on the pledge of its own stock.
- 30. Any joint Committee hereafter to be appointed by the Honorable the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly, for the purpose of examining into the proceedings of the said Corporation, shall, either during the Session or prorogation of the General Assembly, have free access to all the books and vaults of the same.
- 31. Any number of stockholders, not less than twelve, who together shall be proprietors of three hundred shares, shall have power at any time by themselves or their proxies, to call a general meeting of the stockholders for purposes relating to the business of the said Corporation, giving at least thirty days' previous notice in two newspapers published in this Province, and specifying in such notice the time and place of such meeting, with the objects thereof; and the Directors, or any three