retire in rotation, (the order of the retirement of the said three hereinbefore named. to be decided by lot,) on or before the said first Wednesday of October, one thousand 5 eight hundred and forty-eight: Provided Proviso. always, that all Directors retiring at any time shall be eligible for re-election, and the Directors, immediately after the election at each Annual Meeting, shall choose one of their 10 own number to be President.

XVI. And be it enacted, That the failure Default to to hold the said first General Meeting or any elect not to operate disother Meeting, or to elect such Directors or solution of President, shall not dissolve the said Corpo-Corporation. 15 ration, but such failure or omission shall and may be supplied by and at any Special Meetnig to be called as the Directors in conformity with the By-laws of the said Corporation, may see fit to appoint, and until such 20 election of new Directors those who may be in office for the time being shall be and continue in office and exercise all the rights and powers thereof, until such new election be made as hereinbefore provided.

XVII. And be it enacted, That the word Interpretation "Lands" in this Act shall include all lands, clause. tenements and hereditaments and real or immovable property whatsoever; and all words importing the singular number or the 30 masculine gender only, shall extend to more than one person, party or thing, and to females as well as males; and the word "Shareholder" shall include the heirs, executors, administrators, curators, legatees or assigns 35 of such Shareholder, or any other party having the legal possession of any share, whether in his own name or that of any other, unless the context shall be inconsistent with such construction; and whenever power is 40 by this Act given to do anything, power shall be intended also to do all things which may be necessary to the doing of such thing; and generally all words and clauses herein shall re-

ceive such liberal and fair construction as will