

dends of so much of the profits of the said Bank as to them shall appear advisable; and such dividends shall be payable at such place or places as the Directors shall appoint, and of which they shall give thirty days' public notice previously; Provided always, that such
 5 dividends shall not in any manner lessen or impair the capital stock of the said Bank. Proviso.

XVII. The general meetings of the shareholders of the said Bank to be held annually as aforesaid, in Quebec, for the purpose of electing Directors in the manner hereinbefore provided, shall be general meetings
 10 also for all other general purposes touching the affairs and the management of the affairs of the said Bank; and at each of the said annual general meetings the Directors shall exhibit a full and clear statement of the affairs of the Bank. Statement of affairs of Bank to be exhibited at yearly meetings.

XVIII. The number of votes which the shareholders of the said Bank shall respectively be entitled to give at their meetings shall be according
 15 to the following scale, that is to say: for one share and not more than two, one vote; for every two shares above two and not exceeding ten, one vote, making five votes for ten shares; for every four shares above ten and not exceeding thirty, one vote, making ten votes for every thirty
 20 shares; for every six shares above thirty and not exceeding sixty, one vote, making fifteen votes for sixty shares; and for every eight shares above sixty and not exceeding one hundred, one vote, making twenty votes for one hundred shares; and no shareholder shall be entitled to give a greater number of votes than twenty; and it shall be lawful for
 25 absent shareholders to give their votes by proxy, such proxy being also a shareholder, and being provided with a written authority from his constituent or constituents, in such form as shall be established by a By-law, and which authority shall be lodged in the Bank: Provided always, that
 30 a share or shares of the capital stock of the said Bank which shall have been held for a less period than three calendar months immediately prior to any meeting of the shareholders shall not entitle the holder or holders to vote at such meeting either in person or by proxy: Provided also, that where two or more persons are joint holders of shares, it shall be lawful that one only of such joint holders be empowered by letter of Attorney
 35 from the other joint holder or holders, or a majority of them, to represent the said shares and vote accordingly: And provided also, that no shareholder who shall not be a natural born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, or who shall be a subject or citizen of any Foreign Prince or State, shall, either in person or by proxy, vote at any meeting whatever
 40 of the shareholders of the said Bank, or shall assist in calling any meeting of the shareholders; any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding. Scale of voting at general meetings.
Vote by proxy.
Proviso.
Proviso as to Joint Stock-holders.
Voters must be British subjects.

XIX. No Cashier, Assistant Cashier, Bank Clerk or other officer of the Bank, shall vote either in person or by proxy at any meeting for the
 45 election of Directors, or hold a proxy for that purpose. Bank Officers not to vote.

XX. Any number, not less than twenty-five of the shareholders of the said Bank, who together shall be proprietors of at least one hundred shares of the paid up Capital Stock of the said Bank, by themselves or their proxies, or the Directors of the said Bank, or any four of them,
 50 shall respectively have power at any time to call a special general meeting of the shareholders of the said Bank, to be held at their usual place Special general meetings, how called, &c.