

Directors to submit statement of affairs to annual meetings. What such statement must show.

17. At every annual meeting of the shareholders of the said Bank to be held in the Town of Cobourg in the manner hereinbefore provided, the directors shall submit a clear and full statement of the affairs of the said Bank, containing on the one part the amount of capital stock paid in, the amount of the notes of the Bank in circulation and net profits made, and the balance due to other banks and institutions, and the cash deposited in the Bank, distinguishing deposits bearing interest from those not bearing interest; and on the other part the amount of current coin, the gold and silver bullion in the vaults of the Bank, the balances due to the Bank from other banks and institutions, the value of real and other property of the Bank, and the amount of debts owing to the Bank, including and particularizing the amounts so owing upon bills of exchange, discounted notes, mortgages and other securities, thus exhibiting on the one hand the liabilities of or the debts due by the Bank, and on the other hand the assets and resources thereof; and the said statement shall also exhibit the rate and amount of the last dividend declared by the directors, the amount of reserved profits at the time of declaring the said dividend, and the amount of debts to the Bank overdue and not paid, with an estimate of the loss which may probably accrue thereon.

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Shares to be personal estate; assignment of shares

18. The shares of the capital stock of the said Bank shall be held and adjudged to be personal estate, and shall be assignable and transferable at the chief place of business of the said Bank or any of its branches which the directors shall appoint for that purpose, and according to such form as the directors shall prescribe; but no assignment or transfer shall be valid unless it be made and registered in a book or books to be kept by the directors for that purpose, nor until the person or persons making the same shall previously discharge all debts or liabilities due or contracted and not then due by him, her or them to the Bank which may exceed in amount the remaining stock, if any belonging, to such person or persons, and no fractional part or parts of a share, or less than a whole share shall be assignable or transferable; and when any share or shares of the said capital stock shall have been sold under a writ of execution, the sheriff by whom the writ shall have been executed shall, within thirty days after the sale, leave with the cashier of the Bank an attested copy of the writ with the certificate of such sheriff endorsed thereon, certifying to whom the sale has been made, and thereupon (but not until after all debts due or liabilities contracted or not then due by the holder or holders of the shares to the Bank shall have been discharged as aforesaid) the president or vice-president or cashier of the corporation shall execute the transfer of the share or shares so sold to the purchaser; and such transfer being duly accepted shall be to all intents and purposes as valid and effectual in law as if it had been executed by the holder or holders of the said share or shares, any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

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What the Bank may not do.

19. The said Bank shall not, either directly or indirectly, hold any lands or tenements (save and except such as by the first and thirty-eighth sections of this Act it was specially authorized to acquire and hold), or any ships or other vessels, or any share or shares of the capital stock of the said bank or of any other bank, nor shall the said Bank, either directly or indirectly, lend money or make advances upon the security, mortgage or hypothecation of any lands or tenements, or of any ships or other vessels, nor upon the security or pledge of any share or shares of the capital stock of said Bank, or of any goods, wares or merchandize, except as authorized in chapter fifty-four of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, nor shall the said Bank, either directly or indirectly, raise loans of money or deal in the buying and selling or bartering of goods, wares or merchandize, or engage or be engaged in any trade whatever, except as a dealer in gold and silver bullion, bills of exchange, discounting of promissory notes and negotiable securities,