share that he or she or it may hold, a plurality of votes cast shall be sufficient to elect; and the stockholders may vote either in person or by proxy, but no share of stock shall entitle said holder to Elections. a vote which shall not be holden two calendar months previous to the day of election.

SEC. 11. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the directors to lay before the stockholders of said corporation once in each year, at a general meeting, for their information an exact Annual statement of their financial condition and the affairs of the said corporation, of the debts which shall have remained unpaid after the expiration of the original credit, and the surplus profits, if any, after deducting losses and dividends.

SEC. 12. And be it enacted, That the board of directors shall cause to be furnished to the treasurer of the State of Maryland, statements of the amount of capital stock of the corporation, and of the debts due to and from the same, and of the moneys deposited therein, of the cash on hand, specifying the amount of To State coin, of the value of the real estate held by the corporation, and treasurer of the amount and value of public or other stocks owned by the corporation; said statements to be furnished once in each year, and to show the condition of the corporation in the said particulars as they may appear at the close of the business transactions of the day in settlement thereof, or the first Monday of January.

SEC. 13. And be it enacted, That the president, each director and cashier, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take the following oath or affirmation, as the case may be: I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully, impartially, diligently and honestly execute the duties of — agreeably to the Official provisions of the law, and the trust reposed in me to the best of my skill and judgment; said oath or affirmation to be taken before any justice of the peace, or other persons having authority under the laws of this State to administer oaths, and to be made in writing, signed by the affiant, and filed among the archives of said corporation.

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SEC. 14. And be it enacted, That the total amounts of the debts which the said corporation shall at any time owe, whether by bill, bond, note or contract, shall not exceed the actual amount of the capital stock actually paid in; provided, that money deposited in the corporation for safe-keeping, shall not be considered as debts of the bank within the provisions of this section, unless the con- shall not tracting of a greater debt shall have been previously authorized exceed the capital by a law of the State, and in cases of excess, the directors under whose administration it shall happen, shall be liable for the same in their natural and private capacities, and action may in such cases be brought against them or any of them, or their heirs, executors or administrators, in any court of record in this State, by any creditor or creditors of said corporation, and may be prose-