Dividends.

Sec. 17. And be it enacted, That the said president and directors shall, annually or semi-annually, declare and make such dividends as they may deem proper, of the net profits arising from the resources of the company, after deducting the necessary current and probable contingent expenses, and that they shall divide the same among the stockholders of said company, in proportion to their respective shares.

Forfeiture for injuring road.

Sec. 18. And be it enacted, That if any person or persons shall wilfully, by any meaas whatsoever, injure, impair or destroy any part of any rail road constructed by said company under this act or any of the necessary works, buildings, carriages, vehicles or machinery of said company, such person or persons so offending shall each of them for every such offence forfeit and pay to the said company the actual damages sustained, which may be recovered in the name of the said company by an action of debt before any justice of the peace or in the circuit court of the county in which such damages shall be sustained, and also be subject to an indictment in the circuit court for the county where such offences may be committed, and upon conviction of such offence shall be punished by fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

When to be commenced and finished.

Sec. 19. And be it enacted. That if this road shall not be commenced in two years from the passage of this act, and shall not be finished in ten years from the time of its commencement, then this act shall be null and void.

Reservation.

Banking for- SEC. 20. And be it enacted, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to authorise the said company to issue any note, token, scrip, or other evidence of debt to be used as currency; and the Legislature hereby reserves the right to alter, amend or repeal this act at pleasure.