

Baltimore; said statement in all cases to be verified by the oath or affirmation of the president or cashier of the corporation.

ART. 4. The issues or notes usually denominated bank notes, which it shall be lawful for the corporation to issue, shall not at any time exceed the amount of its capital stock actually paid in, and no note shall be issued of a less amount or denomination than five dollars, nor of any amount intermediate between five and ten dollars; and the general assembly may at any time restrict the issue of such notes, both in the amount which may be issued and in the denominations of the notes.

Amount and denomination of notes.

ART. 5. The president, each director and cashier, before he enters upon the duties of his office, shall take the following oath or affirmation, as the case may be: "I,, do swear or affirm, that I will faithfully, impartially, diligently and honestly execute the duties of agreeably to the provisions of law, and the trust imposed in me, to the best of my skill and judgment."

Oath to be taken.

ART. 6. The total amount of the debts, which said corporation shall at any time owe, exclusive of its issues or notes, usually denominated bank notes, whether by bond, bill, note or other contract, shall not exceed the amount of capital actually paid into the said bank; provided that the money deposited in said bank for safe keeping shall not be considered as the debts of the bank within the provisions of this clause, unless the contracting of a greater debt shall have been previously authorized by a law of this state, and in cases of excess the president and directors, under whose administration it shall happen, shall be liable for the same in their natural and private capacities; and an 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 prosecuted to judgment and execution, any condition, covenant or agreement, to the contrary notwithstanding; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt the said corporation, or the lands, tenements, goods and chattels of the same from being also liable for and chargeable with the said excess; and the president, and such of the said directors who may have been absent when the said excess was cre-

Limit of debts.

Officers may be prosecuted.