

CHAP. 533. officers, clerks and agents as the business of said company from time to time requires; all elections shall be by ballot, and at such elections and all meetings of the stockholders every stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for every share of stock held by him, but no person shall be eligible as director who is not a stockholder to the amount of two shares of stock.

Right to purchase, bargain or sell land, etc.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That said body corporate shall have the right to purchase and hold, bargain and sell, grant, assign and convey land or any interest or estate therein, chattels, choses in action, checks, notes, bills receivable, bills payable, bills of exchange, due bills, certificates of deposit, warehouse receipts, stocks, bonds, mortgages on real, leasehold or chattel property, and every and any evidence of debt; to advance money upon the security thereof by receiving and holding the same on such terms as may be agreed upon or established by the said company, or of accepting mortgages or other liens thereon, and, generally, to deal in every and all descriptions of property or properties, personal effects, securities, mortgages, land, certificates of indebtedness, stock of incorporated companies, loans on bonds of the United States, or of any State, city, town or municipality, or of any incorporated company, copartnership, joint stock company or individual, upon such terms as may be agreed upon or established by said company.

Authority to make examination and reports of accounts of corporations, etc.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That said body corporate shall have the right to make examination and reports of the accounts and financial condition of corporations, firms or individuals for the use of banks, other financial institutions, banking firms or others proposing to make contracts with or to afford credit to such corporations, firms or individuals, and to make such examination and reports for the use and information of directors, officers or others concerned, or for any other lawful purpose; also to collect information of general, financial and commercial interest, and to make publication and distribution thereof, and to receive compensation for such services. The said corporation shall be authorized to purchase, acquire, hold and dispose of the stocks, bonds and other evidence of indebtedness of any corporation, domestic or foreign, and issue in exchange therefor its stock, bonds or other obligations.

Guarantee the fidelity of any person or firm, etc.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the said body corporate shall have the right to guarantee the fidelity of any person or persons, firm or firms, joint stock company, or joint stock companies, corporation or corporations, occupying positions of trust or responsibility, and to insure the performance of any lawful undertaking whatsoever, upon such terms as