

States to an amount exceeding five thousand dollars, or to any other State, or to any foreign prince or State, to any amount whatsoever, without the previous consent of the Legislature.

SEC. 23. *And be it enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for the said bank to make discounts in, or pay out any funds or money other than gold or silver coin, the lawful currency of the United States, and notes of other banking institutions received at their par value by the banks paying them out.

SEC. 24. *And be it enacted*, That any time the said bank shall neglect or refuse to pay in gold or silver, or lawful money of the United States, any of its notes, bills or obligations or money received on deposit, the person or persons entitled to demand and receive such payment shall be entitled to demand and recover interest on said notes, bills, obligations and deposits at the rate of six per cent. per annum from the time of such demand until the same shall be fully paid and satisfied.

SEC. 25. *And be it enacted*, That the said bank may purchase and take an assignment of any mortgage and hold the same, with all the rights, powers and privileges of any building or land association, or corporation, or individual assigning the same, and may enforce any covenant or stipulation in the same, and foreclose, assign or release the same as fully and effectually as the assignor could have done.

SEC. 26. *And be it enacted*, That the continuance of said bank shall be on the condition that the stockholders thereof shall be liable to the amount of their respective share or shares of its capital stock for all its debts and liabilities, upon note, bill or otherwise.

SEC. 27. *And be it enacted*, That if the bank shall at any time suspend its payments, the assets which it may hold or be in anywise entitled to at the time of such suspension of payments, shall be ratably distributed to and among all persons who shall be its creditors at such times, or to their assigns, respectively.

SEC. 28. *And be it enacted*, That if the president and directors should at any time suspend the active business operations or workings of the said bank, and a majority of the stockholders in general meeting assembled determine to close the banking operations, thenceforth it shall not be lawful for the bank to resume the exercise of its banking powers and franchise, but the same shall be closed, and after the payment of its debts and liabilities, the remaining assets and property of the corporation shall be divided pro rata among the stockholders.

SEC. 29. *And be it enacted*, That the General Assembly of Maryland hereby reserves to itself the right to alter, amend and repeal this Act, at its pleasure.