

ten days after the same shall have been presented to them.

Banking privilege prohibited.

Sec. 8. *And be it enacted*, That this corporation shall not be permitted to issue any note, token or device, or other evidence of debt, to be used as currency.

In force.

Sec. 9. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

CHAPTER 109.

Passed March 2, 1864.

AN ACT to amend the thirty-seventh Article of the Public General Laws by repealing the first, second, third, fourth and fifth sections of said Article, relating to the competency of witnesses, and inserting in said Article, in lieu of the sections so repealed, the following sections, relating to the competency of witnesses and the examination of parties.

Repealed.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the first, second, third, fourth and fifth sections of the thirty-seventh Article of the Public General Laws, relating to the competency of witnesses, be and the same are hereby repealed, and that the following sections be inserted in said Article as a substitute for and in lieu of the said sections so repealed:

Relating to witnesses.

Section 1. No person offered as a witness shall hereafter be excluded by reason of incapacity from crime or interest, from giving evidence, either in person or by deposition, according to the practice of the courts, in the trial of any issue joined or hereafter to be joined, or of any matter or question, or on any inquiry arising in any suit, action or proceeding, civil or criminal, in any court, or before any Judge, Jury, Justice of Peace or other person having, by law or by consent of parties,