

ry eighteen hundred and fifty-five and to the end of the next session of the General Assembly thereafter. CHAP. 251.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said Banks shall respectively pay, or cause to be paid to the Treasurer of the Western Shore annually, the sum of twenty cents on the amount of every hundred dollars of the capital of the said Banks actually paid in, to be applied by the said treasurer, in augmentation of the free school fund of the State.

Banks to pay treasurer 20 cents on every hundred dollars.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That whenever the said Banks or either of them shall refuse to redeem any of their liabilities in specie on demand, the charters of the said Banks shall be forfeited and shall be deemed null and void.

On refusal to pay specie charter declared null.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the said Banks shall not be allowed to issue any note, token scrip, device or other evidence of debt to be used as currency, under the denomination of five dollars.

Not to issue less than \$5.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That all the real estate belonging to the Banks aforesaid, shall be and is hereby made subject to taxation in the same manner and according to the same valuation that landed estate belonging to private individuals is or may hereafter be taxed; *provided*, they do not pay a tax under existing laws.

Real estate subject to taxation.

Proviso.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall operate to impair or release the liabilities of the said Banks or either of them, created by existing acts, but the said banks shall be subject to the operation of the several acts now in force, for the general regulation of Banks in this State, and such other acts as the legislature may think fit to pass for that purpose.

Subject to the operations of acts now in force.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore shall be furnished by the said Banks once in every year, or oftener if required, with statements of the capital stock of said Banks, of the debts due to and from the same; of the monies deposited therein; of the notes in circulation; of the cash in hand, and of the profits made; and the State have a right or power to inspect such accounts in the books of the said Banks as relates to such statements, and the stock ledger of said Bank shall at all times be open to the inspection of any person who may affirm that he has an interest therein, and the said bank shall publish annually, a list of all such balances as shall not have been claimed for the space of three years with the names of the depositors.

Treasurer to be furnished by banks with statements.

SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall be taken and considered as a part of each and every separate charter, that is by this act proposed to be extended; and that each and every part of the same shall be null and void, until the same shall be accepted by the said banks, in their

This act to be taken & considered as a part of every separate charter.