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18. And be it enacted, That dividends of the profits of the com- CHAP. 186. pany shall be made at the end of the first years and half yearly thereafter; and at the end of every three years a dividend shall Dividends. be made of surplus profits, which dividend shall be payable to the stockholders at the bank.

19. And be it enacted, That the books, papers, correspondence, Books, papers, Re. to be open to funds, and every transaction of the company, shall at all times be inspection of discovered the company. freely open to the inspection of the directors, a majority of whom, ty of whom may or any number of stockholders not less than thirty, and holding meeting of stocknot less than three hundred shares, may at any time call a general holders. meeting of the stockholders for objects relative to the interest of the company, and giving not less than two months notice thereof in the newspaper in the county, and in some public print in the town of Winchester, Virginia.

20. And be it enacted, That before the president and directors president, eashier &c. to take any shall act as such, they shall take an oath, or affirmation, that they oath, &c. will faithfully, diligently and honestly, perform the duties of their stations; and the cashier, book keeper and clerks, shall also take a similar oath, or affirmation, and shall besides give bonds to the said corporation, with security to the satisfaction of the board of directors, for the faithful discharge of their duties in their several stations.

21. And be it enacted, That all notes offered for discount by any Notes offered for person or persons, shall on the face thereof, be made negotiable at made negotiable the North and South Branch Bank of Potomac, at Old Town, Alarbank-when drawer does not legany county; and when the drawer shall not reside in the town of the house of some county. Old Town, such note shall be made payable at the house of some person therein person in the town aforesaid, and notice given by the proper servant of the bank at said house, that such note hath become due, shall be to all intents and purposes held and considered to be as

completely binding on the drawer and endorsers as if notice had been personally served on each of them.

22. And be it enacted, That any director, officer, or other person Persons holding any share or capital of the said bank stock, who shall shall commit any find commit any find or emberging the property of the person of the per holding any share or capital of the said bank stock, who shall commit any fraud or embezzlement tou hing the money or property of the bank, shall be liable to be presecuted in the name of the presecuted. state, by indictment for the same, in any court of law in this state; and upon conviction thereof, shall besides the remedy that may be had by action in the name of the president and directors of the North and South Branch Bank of Potomac, at Old Town, Allegany county, for the fraud aforesaid, forfeit all his share or stock in

the said bank to the company.

23. And be it enacted. That all pers ms who shall become sub- Subscribers incorscribers to the said bank, their successors and assigns, shall be and they are hereby made a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of The President and Directors of the North and South Branch Bank of Potomac, at Old Town, Allegany county, and by that name, shall be, and are hereby made able and capable in law, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in any court of record or any other place whatsoever; and also to make, have and use, a common seal, and the same to break, alter, and renew at pleasure; and to make, issue and negotiate notes, and generally to do and execute all such