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any court of record in this state, by any creditor or creditors of said corporation, and may be prosecuted to judgment and execution, any condition, covenant or agreement to the contrary notwithstanding; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt the said corporation, or the lands tenements, goods and chattles, of the same, from being also liable for, and chargable with the said excess; and such of the said directors who may have been absent when the said excess was created, or may have dissented from the resolution or act whereby the same was created, may respectively exonerate themselves from being so liable, by forthwith giving notice of the fact and of their absence or dissent, to the stockholders at a general meeting, which they shall have power to call for that purpose.

The President and directors may discount notes or bills at any length of time, not exceeding six months, but may renew the same, from time to time, at pleasure, and shall not receive on loan or discount more than at the rate of six per centum per annum.

All bills and notes which may be issued by order of the said corporation, signed by the president, and countersigned by the cashier thereof, promising the payment of money to any person or persons, his, her, or their order, or to bearer, though not under the seal of the said corporation, shall be binding and obligatory upon the same, in the like manner, and with the like force and effect, as upon any private person or persons if issued by him or them in his or their private or natural capacity or capacities, and shall be assignable and negotiable in like manner as if they were so issued by such private person or persons; that is to say, those which shall be payable to any person or persons, his, her, or their order, shall be assignable by endorsement, in like manner, and with the like effect, as foreign bills of exchange now are; and those which are payable to bearer shall be negotiable or assignable by delivery only.

Management  
of affairs--elec-  
tions.

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the affairs of the bridge and bank company shall be managed by nine directors and a president, who shall be elected at such place as the commissioners, or the president and directors, shall from time to time appoint, and in the manner prescribed by the act to which this is a supplement; and the said directors, and those from time to time elected, shall and may appoint from amongst the stockholders, a president.

Cashier shall  
be treasurer.

7. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the cashier of the bridge and bank company shall be treasurer of the tolls collected on the bridge, and shall account with the president and directors of the bank, from time to time, when called on for the same.

Responsibility.

8. AND BE IT ENACTED, That no subscriber or stockholder, or a member of the said company, shall be