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No. 45.

AN ACT

Relative to the Supreme Court, and to regulate the terms thereof, the proceedings therein, appeals thereto, and processes against the Sureties on Appeal Bonds.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the Supreme Court shall hold its sessions in New Orleans from the first Monday of November to the end of the month of May inclusive, of each year, and that all appeals from the following parishes shall be made returnable to the Supreme Court at New Orleans, viz:

All appeals from the parishes of Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, Plaquemines and Tangipahoa, shall be returnable on the first and third Mondays of each month of the session.

All appeals from the parishes of St. Charles, St. John the Baptiste, St. James, Ascension, Assumption, Lafourche and Terrebonne, shall be made returnable on the third Monday of January of each year.

All appeals from the parishes of Rapides, Grant, Natchitoches, Sabine, Avoyelles, Pointe Coupee, West Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Livingston, St. Tammany, Washington, St. Helena, West Feliciana, East Feliciana, Carroll, Madison, Concordia and Tensas, shall be made returnable on the second Monday of February in each year.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That there shall be a session of the Supreme Court at the town of Opelousas, in each year, to commence on the second Monday of June, and all appeals from the following parishes shall be made there returnable on said day, viz: St. Mary, Iberia, St. Martin, St. Landry, Lafayette, Vermillion and Calcasieu.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That there shall be a session of the Supreme Court at the town of Monroe, in each year, to commence on the first Monday of July. All appeals in the following parishes shall be made returnable to the Supreme Court at Monroe, in the parish of Ouachita, in the State of Louisiana, viz: All appeals from the parishes of Claiborne, Bienville, Jackson, Union, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Franklin, Caldwell and Catahoula shall be made returnable on the first Monday of July in each year. All appeals from the parishes of Caddo, DeSoto, Winn and Bossier shall be made returnable on the third Monday of July of each year.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That in all cases of appeal, the Judge of the court from which it is taken shall make the appeal returnable to the Supreme Court at the next return day for appeals from the parish, if there shall be time enough after granting it to give the notice required by law, and to prepare the record; if not, then he shall fix the return day for some day within the next term after the appeal is granted, allowing sufficient time to give the citation required by law, and to prepare the record, if sufficient time within the term shall remain; if not, then he shall fix the return day for the following term; if the Supreme Court shall not be in session on the day fixed for the return day of any case, it shall be sufficient for the appellant to file the record within three judicial days at the first session of the Supreme Court thereafter.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That upon the return day for appeals from the several parishes, as fixed by law, the Supreme Court shall take them up in their order, except as hereinafter provided, and dispose of the same.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That during the time fixed by law for the trial of appeals from the other parishes, the Supreme Court, while sitting in New Orleans, may also fix and try appeals from the parish of Orleans, provided it does not interfere with or delay the trial of the cases from the other parishes.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, etc., That in all cases in which the right to office is involved, and an appeal is taken from the judgment of the lower court, it shall be returnable in ten days after judgment of the lower court, and the Supreme Court, on the motion of either party, shall proceed to try the same by preference.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, etc., That appeals in all criminal cases may be made returnable within ten days, and the appellant shall have the right to make it returnable before the Supreme Court at its next term, wherever held, and all appeals in criminal cases shall be tried by preference over civil cases.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, etc., That in suits pending on appeal, in which a Police Jury or a municipal corporation is plaintiff or defendant, it shall be the duty of the Supreme Court, on the affidavit of the attorney representing the Police Jury or corporation, that the case is one of serious public interest, and in which a speedy decision is desirable, to have the case called and set for hearing by preference.

SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, etc., That the Supreme Court shall have full power to establish and enforce such rules (not inconsistent with law) as may be necessary to secure the regular and expeditious disposition of its business, and the preparation of proper and correct transcripts of appeal.

To prevent the accumulation of cases on the docket, the Supreme Court may, during the latter portion of the annual sessions at New Orleans, hear and take under advisement (in addition to cases it can decide from week to week) such number of cases as the Judges of the court may be able to examine during the vacation and render opinions therein at the opening of the following session, and may require such cases to be submitted on briefs.

SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, etc., That no appeal of the Supreme Court shall be dismissed on account of any defect, error or irregularity of the petition, citation or order of appeal, or in the certificate of the Clerk or Judge, or in the citation of appeal or service thereof, or because the appeal was not made returnable at the next term of the Supreme Court, or on a proper day, whenever it shall not appear that such defect, error or irregularity may be imputed to the appellant or his attorney; but in all cases the court shall grant a reasonable time to correct such defects, errors or irregularities, in case they are not waived by the appellee, and may impose on the appellant such terms and conditions as in its discretion it may deem necessary for the attainment of justice.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, etc., That in all cases of appeal to the Supreme Court, or other tribunals in this State, if the judgment appealed from be affirmed, the party in whose favor it is rendered may, on return of execution in the lower court that no property has been found, or not enough to satisfy the judgment and execution, after due demand on both parties or their attorneys or legal representatives, obtain a decree against the surety on the appeal bond, or his legal representative, for the amount of the judgment or any unsatisfied balance thereof, on motion, after ten days' notice, which motion shall be tried summarily and without the intervention of a jury, unless the surety or his legal representative shall allege, under oath, that the signature to the bond, purporting to be that of the surety, is not genuine, or that judgment has been satisfied.

SEC. 13. Be it further enacted, etc., That the Supreme Court may be adjourned from day to day by one or more of its Judges until a quorum be convened, and if neither of the Judges be present on the day fixed by law for the commencement of the term, the Clerk may adjourn it in like manner for ten days.

SEC. 14. Be it further enacted, etc., That the rules adopted by the Supreme Court shall be entered in the minutes of the court, and a copy thereof posted in the Clerk's office, and one in the court room.

SEC. 15. Be it further enacted, etc., That all laws or parts of laws contrary to, or in conflict with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed, and that all appeals now pending in the Supreme Court, which will require transfer to accomplish the purposes of this act, be and the same hereby are transferred, and power is hereby given to the Supreme Court to compel and regulate such transfer.

SEC. 16. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) MORTIMER CARR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 16, 1870.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

No. 88.

AN ACT

Granting to Joseph Torras the exclusive privilege of keeping a ferry across the Mississippi at Shreve's Cut Off, in the parishes of Pointe Coupee, West Feliciana and Concordia.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That from and after the expiration of the charter granted to Joseph Torras, of the parish of Pointe Coupee, to enjoy the exclusive privilege of establishing and keeping a ferry at Shreve's Cut Off, on the Mississippi river, including both sides of said river, which said charter or grant was given by an act of the Legislature, approved March the fifteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty, and expires on the second day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy two. That Joseph Torras shall then enjoy the exclusive privilege of keeping a ferry at said Shreve's Cut-Off, including both sides of said river, in the parishes of Pointe Coupee, West Feliciana and Concordia, for the term of ten years, upon the terms and conditions following, to wit: That said Joseph Torras, in consideration of the exclusive privilege of keeping said ferry for ten years, from the second day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, shall be bound to keep in good order and condition a suitable number of flatboats, skiffs, etc., and to cross persons and their property, who may wish to cross said ferry, with all possible dispatch, and that for all unnecessary delay to be liable for damages, to be recovered before any court of competent jurisdiction; Provided, that said Joseph Torras may, immediately after the passage of this act, have the further exclusive privilege of keeping at said cut-off a steam ferryboat, under the provisions of this charter or grant.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the Police Jury of the Parish of Point Coupee shall determine and fix the toll that said Joseph Torras shall be entitled to demand and receive for ferriage.

SEC 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That from and after the passage of this act, and during the whole space of ten years from and after the second day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, no person or persons shall keep or establish a ferry across the Mississippi river at the place designated in this act, nor within four miles of the same by the river, under the penalty of paying ten dollars per day for each and every day he or they may keep said ferry to the injury of the said Joseph Torras, to be sued for and recovered before any court of competent jurisdiction, one-half to the parish and the other to the use of said Joseph Torras, and shall pay all costs of prosecution; Provided, however, that this act shall not be construed so as to deprive any persons from keeping a ferry for the crossing themselves, and without charge.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That during the term of said privilege the said Joseph Torras shall transport across said river at said point, free of toll, all officers and troops engaged in militia duties of this State, or of the United States, all arms and military stores belonging to this State, or of the United States, under penalty of forfeiting said privilege.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said Joseph Torras shall be bound to construct and keep in good repair one mile of the roads leading to and from the ferry landing.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) MORTIMER CARR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 16, 1870.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

No. 89.

AN ACT

Granting ferry privileges to James H. Handy, his heirs or assigns.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That James H. Handy, his heirs or assigns, be and he is hereby authorized to keep, establish and maintain a ferry across Berwick's Bay, for the accommodation of such persons and movable property as may require transportation to and from the town of Brashear across Berwick's Bay, and the said right shall extend along the banks of the said bay for a distance of one mile above and one mile below said town of Brashear on both banks of said bay, and the right to collect fees or charges for ferrying shall vest exclusively in the aforesaid party, his heirs or assigns, and run for the space of ten years, dating from the passage of this act; Provided, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed to prevent the General Assembly from granting to railroads the right of transporting passengers or freight passing to or from their roads across said bay independently of said ferry.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said party, his heirs, or assigns, shall be required to construct a wharf at or near the foot of Frerett street, in the town of Brashear, and on said wharf to erect a building for the accommodation of persons crossing, removable by him at the expiration of this charter; and he shall be further required to keep a substantial ferry-boat, sufficient for the convenient and safe transportation of persons and property, crossing the said bay, between the hours of sunrise and sunset.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said party, his heirs, or assigns, shall be entitled to receive, as tolls or ferriage, such rates as are now, or shall hereafter be established by the Police Jury of the parish of St. Mary.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That if any person other than the said James H. Handy, his heirs, or assigns, shall, for hire or pay, transport or ferry any person, cattle or goods, across the said bay, within the limits specified in this act, such persons so offending shall forfeit and pay ten dollars for each and every person, or animal, or package of goods worth fifty dollars so transported, one-half of which shall inure to the party owning the ferry, and other half to the parish treasury, and shall be recoverable before any court of competent jurisdiction, in the name of the said Handy, his heirs, or assigns.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That the acceptance of this act by the said Handy, shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State within thirty days after the passage of this act.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That all laws or parts of laws conflicting with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

(Signed) MORTIMER CARR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 16, 1870.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

No. 90.

AN ACT

Granting ferry privileges to Thomas R. Verbois, his heirs or assigns, across the Mississippi river at the town of Plaquemine, in the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That Thomas R. Verbois, his heirs or assigns be, and he is hereby authorized to keep, establish and maintain a ferry across the Mississippi river, at the town of Plaquemine, in the Parish of Iberville, State of Louisiana, for the accommodation of such persons and movable property as may require transportation across the Mississippi river at said town, and the said right shall extend along the banks of said river for the distance of one mile above and below the upper and lower limits of the corporation of said town, and the right to collect fees or charges for ferrying shall pertain exclusively to the aforesaid party, his heirs or assigns, and run for the space of ten years, dating from the date of this act.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said party, his heirs or assigns, shall be required to place upon the said ferry substantial boats, sufficient for the convenient and safe transportation of persons and property across said river, and shall have and keep said boats in readiness for the safe transportation of persons and property as ordinarily require transportation across the said river to the opposite shore, at all hours between daylight and dark.

SEC 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said party, his heirs or assigns, shall be entitled to receive for toll or ferriage such rates as have already been established by the Police Jury of said parish.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That if any other person than the said Thomas R. Verbois, his heirs or assigns, shall for hire or pay transport or ferry any person, animal or goods across the said river, so as to damage, destroy or oppose said ferry, or its chartered rights, within the limits specified in this act, such person so offending shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars for each and every person, animal or package worth five dollars so transported, one-half of which sum shall inure to the party owning said ferry, and the other half to the treasury of said parish, and shall be recoverable before any court of competent jurisdiction; and the party so offending shall be imprisoned in the parish jail for the period of ten days for the first offense, and for the second offense shall be imprisoned not less than twenty nor more than thirty days.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That the said Thomas R. Ferbois, his heirs or assigns, shall be liable in such sums as may be decided upon by the police jury of the said parish, for any injury or damages done to any person or property in crossing said ferry, from neglect or inefficiency of boats or incompetency of ferrymen.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, etc., That all laws or parts of laws conflicting with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) MORTIMER CARR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 16, 1870.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State,

No. 91.

AN ACT

To incorporate Feliciana Savings and Exchange Bank.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That the following named persons, their successors and assigns, viz: John P. Munford, William H. Stirling, H. S. Welton, David J. Riley, T. H. Noland, William B. Cornell, Bard Plummer, Henry L. Birge, L. B. Jenks and Carlos Wilcox, are hereby created and constituted a body corporate and politic under the name and title of the "Feliciana Savings and Exchange Bank," with all the rights and powers set forth in the following articles, viz:

Article I. The name and title of the said corporation shall be the "Feliciana Savings and Exchange Bank," and its domicile is hereby established in the town of Bayou Sara, parish of West Feliciana, and State of Louisiana; but said corporation may establish branches with like powers and privileges in the towns of Jackson and Clinton, in the parish of East Feliciana, in said State. It shall exist for the term of fifty (50) years from the passage of this act. It shall have power to contract, sue and be sued, and shall have and use a common seal of such device as may be deemed proper.

Art. II. The objects and purposes of the Bank are to carry on the business of banking in all its branches, by issuing bank notes, receiving deposits, buying and selling gold and silver bullion, bills of exchange, and drafts, loaning money on real and personal security, discounting bills, notes, and other evidences of debt, and generally to exercise such privileges and powers as may be conferred on them by law.

Art. III. The capital stock of the said Bank shall be five hundred thousand dollars, divided into five thousand shares of one hundred dollars each, payable at the time and in the manner following, viz:

Twenty-five dollars per share at the time of subscription to said stock; and stock notes the remainder, seventy-five dollars of each share payable in installments of not more than twenty-five dollars at any time, and not more than one installment in any one month, which payment shall be called for after at least fifteen days' notice published in all the newspapers published within that time in the parish. Such payments shall be made at the office of the said bank, and any stockholder failing to pay any installment as above required, shall forfeit his stock, the amounts already paid by him, which amounts shall revert to the corporation. Said bank may commence business as soon as fifty thousand dollars shall have been paid in on the subscriptions of stock; provided, fifty per cent of any such [subscription] to the capital stock may be paid in lands or in the stock, bonds or notes of any State, city, corporation or individual at such price and upon such terms as the president and board of incorporators or directors may determine.

Art. IV. As soon after the passage of this act as the incorporators mentioned in the first part thereof shall think it advisable, they shall organize by the election of a president and cashier of the bank; and in order to decide on the time and propriety of such organization, H. S. Welton, or, in his absence or failure to act, any other two of said corporators shall, by not less than ten days' advertisement in one or more newspapers published in the parish, notify the said corporators to meet at the courthouse in St. Francisville, and if at such meeting a majority of said corporators shall assemble, they shall have the right to decide whether it is advisable to effect an organization, and if they decide in favor of effecting an organization, they shall have the right to organize by the election of the above officers, or they may adjourn to any other day to make such decision or organization; and if a majority of said incorporators do not meet in pursuance to said call, then at any time thereafter they may be summoned again to meet, as in the first instance.

As soon as said corporation, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, shall organize, they shall open books of subscription to the capital stock of said bank. They shall designate to whom the payments of the stock subscriptions shall be made, until a sufficient amount is paid in to authorize the bank to go into operation, and to hold the same until the bank does go into operation, and to fix the amount of the security to be given by him, and to take and approve such security

As soon as fifty thousand dollars are paid in on the stock subscriptions, the President of the Board of Incorporators shall fix a day for the election of five directors of said bank, and said Board of Incorporators shall name three commissioners from among the stockholders to hold said election, any two of whom may hold the election in the absence of the other, and make return of the same to the President immediately after the election; and the board so elected shall, on the Monday following the election, enter on the discharge of their duties, and the President of the Board of Incorporators shall notify the persons elected of their election.

The books for subscription to the capital stock of said bank may be opened and closed at such times as the Board of Directors of the bank shall designate, until the entire amount of the capital stock is subscribed.

Art. V. All the corporate powers of the said bank shall be exercised by a Board of Directors, each of whom shall own and hold in his own right and during his continuance in office, at least ten shares of the stock of said bank. So soon as the said sum of fifty thousand dollars shall have been paid in, the first board of five directors shall be elected by the subscribers and by a majority of those present at the election, after ten days' notice in the newspapers in the parish, under the management and supervision of three inspectors, who shall be stockholders, to be chosen by the present incorporators; which directors shall hold their office until the first of January, 1872, or until their successors in office shall be elected and enter on their duties.

Art. VI. On the first Monday of December, 1871, and every year thereafter, an election of seven directors by the stockholders shall be held at the office of the bank, of which election previous notice of at least thirty days shall be given by the president, in the newspapers in the parish. The said election shall be conducted and managed by three stockholders not members of the board, to be appointed by the Board of Directors, and all those receiving a majority of the votes cast, shall be declared duly elected and shall take their seats on the first Monday of January thereafter. In case of no election on the day fixed, the President shall cause an election to be held within fifteen days thereafter, and after one notice in the newspaper aforesaid; and it is specially provided that in case of a failure to elect a Board of Directors this charter shall not be forfeited, but the directors in office shall remain until their successors shall have taken their places.

Art. VII. Said directors shall, at their first meeting after their election, select from among their own number a president and vice-president. The president shall preside at all meetings of the board, and in his absence the vice-president, or in the absence of both, one of said board, to be selected by the members present; and the officer thus presiding shall exercise only a casting vote in case of an equal division in the vote of those present. The president or cashier shall be the proper person on whom all citations or legal process or notices shall be served.

Art. VIII. The Board of Directors, shall appoint and fix the amount of the compensation of all officers, clerks and employes of the bank, shall regulate the duties and fix the securities of their employes, who shall hold their positions subject to the will of the board. They shall make and adopt by-laws, rules, and regulations, for the proper government of the bank and the transaction of its business and alter the same at pleasure; provided, the same be not in conflict with the laws of this State, and the true intent and meaning of this act.

Art. IX. The number of directors necessary for discounting paper and purchasing bills of exchange shall be determined by the by-laws. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum, and the decision of such majority shall be a valid corporate act.

Art. X. Said bank shall be authorized to receive on deposit from all persons, all sums of money from one dollar upward, and to pay out the same by check or otherwise, without the authorization of the parent or tutor of minors, or the husband of the married woman, for which money so deposited (for savings) interest shall be allowed as hereinafter set forth; and for all moneys thus deposited special and separate books and accounts shall be kept, and the investment of these funds shall be strictly limited to the purchases of the public debt of the United States, of the State of Louisiana, or of the city of New Orleans, contracted by the authority of the Legislature of this State, and to loans upon pledge of such securities, or of the paper of any parish or any corporate town, city of the State, duly issued by the proper authorities, and to loans secured by mortgage on unincumbered and improved real estate within the limits of such parishes as the Board of Directors shall determine.

Art. XI. The Board of Directors shall regulate, from time to time, the rate of interest to be allowed to such depositors referred to in the preceding article.

Art. XII. The Board of Directors shall, twice in each year, if the profits of the bank justify it, after paying all the expenses of the corporation, declare and pay such amount of dividends as they may deem proper, and give notice of such dividends in one or more newspapers in the parish, and the directors may increase the stock of said corporation and open books of subscription therefor, whenever a majority of them shall so determine, for such amounts, payable upon such terms as they may deem for the best interests of the corporation; Provided, the circulation of said bank shall never at any time exceed the amount of paid up subscriptions.

Art. XIII. Books for the registry and transfer of shares of the capital stock shall be opened, and all transfer of shares shall be made on said books and signed by the shareholder or his attorney, and which books the directors may close, but not for a longer period than five days at a time, as often as convenience or expediency may require; the directors may also delegate to their agents, officers, or committees of their own body such powers as they may think proper or expedient. No transfer of stock shall be valid until it is entered on the transfer book and new stock notes are given by the assignee for such portion or installments of the subscription as remain unpaid, whereupon the original certificates of stock and stock notes shall be "cancelled" across their face over the signature of the President.

Art. XIV. No certificate of stock shall be issued until the full amount be paid thereon, or until the provisions of article three, (3) of this act shall have been fully complied with and so certified upon the face of each certificate over the signature of the President.

Art. XV. At all meetings for the election of directors or other purposes, each shareholder shall be entitled, directly or by proxy, to one vote on each share of stock held by him; provided, the person or persons offering to vote shall have owned his share or shares for three months prior to the day of voting.

Art. XVI. No two partners shall be eligible, at the same time, as directors of the institution, nor shall a director of any other bank or his partner be a director in this bank.

Art. XVII. Minutes of all the proceedings of the Board of Directors shall be kept by the cashier, and verified by the president; and the president and cashier shall sign all notes, certificates of stock and evidences of debt of the corporation, and a copy of the minutes of any or all the proceedings of the Board of Directors, certified by the cashier or president, under the seal of the bank, shall be received in evidence, and have the effect of the original in all the courts in this State.

Art. XVIII. The Board of Directors may accept provisionally any power or privilege conferred on this bank by any amendment of the law under which the same is formed, or by the adoption of any new act of the Legislature; but the final acceptance of such power or privilege shall be submitted to the stockholders for approval in the manner prescribed by law.

Art. XIX. The bank shall have the right to purchase any real property necessary for carrying on the business of the corporation, and sell the same at pleasure; and shall be further authorized to purchase real property in payment of any debt due the bank, either at private or forced sale, and, if necessary, to pay any balance of the purchase consideration over and above the debt due the bank, and to sell the same at pleasure, and to purchase and sell personal property at pleasure.

Art. XX. The affairs of this bank shall be liquidated by three commissioners appointed by the stockholders at a meeting convened for that purpose, after the delay and in the manner prescribed for the election of directors; said liquidators shall be solvent persons, residents in this State, not indebted to the bank; their time of office shall be assigned; all necessary powers shall be conferred on them; the period for liquidation shall be fixed, as also their compensation in such manner as the stockholders may by resolution, in general meeting convened, determine.

Art. XXI. The directors of this bank are hereby authorized to convert this bank into a National Bank under the laws of the United States, whenever the laws of the United States shall authorize additional National Banking capital.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect and continue in force from and after its passage, any laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith to the contrary notwithstanding.

(Signed) MORTIMER CARR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved April 12, 1870.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

No. 92.

AN ACT

Entitled an act to authorize A. C. Banks, Daniel Kelly, and their associates, to render navigable the Bayou Dugdemonia, in the parish of Winn.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana in General Assembly convened, That A. C. Banks and Daniel Kelly, of the parish of Winn, and such persons as may be associated with them, be and they are hereby authorized to remove, at their own expense, the obstructions to the navigation of the Bayou Dugdemonia from its junction with the Bayou Castor to a point opposite to or above the town of Winfield, so as to render it navigable.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, etc., That said A. C. Banks, Daniel Kelly, and their associates, be and they are hereby authorized to cut down and remove from the channel of said bayou all the timber growing in or hanging over the channel of said bayou, on lands belonging to the State.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, etc., That when the said A. C. Banks, Daniel Kelly, and associates, shall have cleared out the obstructions to the navigation of said Bayou Dugdemonia so as to make it navigable for for steamboats to a point within five miles of the town of Winfield, they shall have the right to collect for their own account such tonnage and charges as may be fixed by the Police Jury of the parish of Winn, on steamboats, flatboats, keelboats, barges, rafts and other watercraft navigating said bayou, and such toll or percentage on all freight transported on said Bayou Dugdemonia.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, etc., That if the obstructions to the navigation of said bayou from the junction of the Bayou Castor to a point within five miles of the town of Winfield shall not be removed by the first day of December, 1870, the privilege herein granted shall be forfeited.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, etc., That this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) MORTIMER CARR,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(Signed) OSCAR J. DUNN,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved, April 12, 1870.
(Signed) H. C. WARMOTH,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
A true copy:
GEO. E. BOVEE,
Secretary of State.

MEDICAL.

DR. J. BRADFIELD'S

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