

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Fourth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 146.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
EIGHTY-NINE.

AN ACT to incorporate the Security Trust and Banking
Company.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

SECTION 1. Samuel Titcomb, P. O. Vickery, George
2 E. Macomber, Elias Milliken, M. V. B. Chase, E. W.
3 Whitehouse, James W. North, Richard Goodwin, Oscar
4 Holway and John R. Gould, or such of them as may vote
5 to accept this charter, with their associates, successors
6 and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate and politic,
7 to be known as Security Trust and Banking Company,
8 and as such shall be possessed of all the powers, privi-
9 leges and immunities, and subject to all the duties and
10 obligations conferred on corporations by law, except as
11 otherwise provided herein.

SECT. 2. The corporation hereby created shall be located
2 at Augusta, Kennebec county, Maine, and may establish
3 agencies in any part of this State.

SECT. 3. The purposes of said corporation and the
2 business which it may perform, are first, to receive on
3 deposit money, coin, bank notes, evidences of debt, ac-
4 counts of individuals, companies, corporations and muni-
5 cipalities, allowing interest thereon, if agreed, or as the
6 by-laws of said corporation may provide; second, to bor-
7 row money, to loan money, on credits or real estate or
8 personal security, and to negotiate loans and sales for
9 others; to guarantee the payment of the principal and in-
10 terest of all obligations secured by mortgages of real es-
11 tate running to said Security Trust and Banking Company;
12 to issue its own bonds or obligations based upon real or
13 personal property conveyed to it, in trust to secure the
14 payment of such bonds or obligations and the interest
15 thereon; third, to hold for safe keeping all kinds of per-
16 sonal or mixed property, and to act as agents for the
17 owners thereof, and of real estate, for collection of income
18 on the same, and for sale of same, and to act as agent for
19 issuing, registering and countersigning certificates, bonds,
20 stocks and all evidences of debt or ownership in property;
21 fourth, to hold by grant, assignment, transfer, devise or
22 bequest any real or personal property, or trusts duly
23 created, and to execute trusts of every description; fifth,
24 to act as assignee, receiver, guardian, executor and ad-
25 ministrator, and no surety shall be necessary upon the
26 bond of the corporation unless the court or officer approv-
27 ing such bond shall require it; sixth, to hold and enjoy all
28 such estates, real, personal and mixed, as may be obtained
29 by the investment of its capital stock or any other moneys
30 and funds that they may come into its possession in the
31 course of its business and dealings, and the same sell,

32 grant, mortgage and dispose of, except as provided in
33 section ten; seventh, to do in general, all the business
34 that may lawfully be done by a trust or banking company.

SECT. 4. An administrator, assignee, guardian or trustee, any court of law and equity, including courts of probate and insolvency, officers and treasurers of towns, cities, counties and saving banks of the State of Maine, may deposit any moneys, bonds, stocks, evidences of debt or of ownership in property, or any personal property, with said corporation, and any of said courts may direct any person deriving authority from them, to so deposit the same.

SECT. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, with the right to increase said capital at any time, by a vote of the shareholders, to any amount not exceeding one million of dollars. Said corporation shall not commence business until stock to the amount of fifty thousand dollars shall have been subscribed for and paid in. Said corporation may hold real estate such as may be necessary for its immediate accommodation in the transactions of its business, not exceeding twenty thousand dollars in value.

SECT. 6. The shareholders of this corporation shall be individually responsible, equally and ratably, and not one for the other, for all contracts, debts and engagements of said corporation to a sum equal to the amount of the par value of the shares owned by each, in addition to the amount invested in said shares.

SECT. 7. Said corporation, after beginning to receive deposits, shall at all times have on hand in lawful money,

3 as a reserve, not less than twenty-five per cent of the ag-
4 gregate amount of its deposits, which are subject to with-
5 drawal on demand; *provided*, that in lieu of lawful money,
6 two-thirds of said twenty-five per cent may consist of
7 balances payable on demand, due from any national or
8 State bank.

SECT. 8. The shares of said corporation shall be subject
2 to taxation in the same manner and amount as are the
3 shares of national banks.

SECT. 9. Said corporation shall be subject to examina-
2 tion by the bank examiner, who shall visit it at least once
3 in every year, and as much oftener as he may deem ex-
4 pedient. At such visits he shall have free access to its
5 vaults, books and papers, and shall thoroughly inspect
6 and examine all the affairs of said corporation, and make
7 such inquiries as may be necessary to ascertain its condi-
8 tion and ability to fulfill all its engagements. He shall pre-
9 serve in a permanent form a full record of his proceedings,
10 including a statement of the condition of said corporation.
11 A copy of such statement shall be published by said cor-
12 poration immediately after the annual examination of the
13 same, in some newspaper published in Augusta.

SECT. 10. All property or money held in trust by this
2 corporation shall constitute a special deposit, and the ac-
3 counts thereof, and of said trust department, shall be kept
4 separate, and such funds and the investment or loan of
5 them shall be especially appropriated to the security and
6 payment of such deposits, and not be subject to any
7 other liabilities of the corporation; and for the purpose of
8 securing the observance of this proviso, said corporation
9 shall have a trust department, in which all business per-

10 taining to such trust property shall be kept separate and
11 distinct from its general business.

SECT. 11. All the corporate powers of this corporation
2 shall be exercised by a board of trustees, all of whom
3 shall reside in this State, whose number, not less than
4 five, shall be determined by the stockholders at their
5 first meeting. Their term of office shall be for one year,
6 and until their successors shall have been chosen and
7 qualified, except that the trustees first chosen shall hold
8 office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders.

SECT. 12. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 13, 1889.

Tabled pending third reading, and ordered printed on motion of Mr.
BIRD of Rockland.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk.*