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(By Authority.)
An Act
To provide for the draining and clearing of the marshy
grounds and cypress swamps situated between the city
of New-Orleans, its incorporated suburbs, and Lake
Ponchartraine.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the opinion of
physicians of the greatest experience, it appears
that the epidemics which, with few exceptions,
have annually prevailed in the city of New-Or-
leans and its faubourgs, are in general to be at-
tributed to two causes, intense heat, and exces-
sive humidity, which, when combined, frequently
produce the most fatal diseases; and although the
limited powers of man cannot obviate or control
the first, yet he may mitigate its virulence, by
adopting such means as will effect a free circula-
tion of air; and the latter would be in a great
measure, if not entirely, removed by draining off
the stagnant waters which accumulate on the low
and marshy grounds.

And whereas, after the draining of the afore-
said grounds shall have been accomplished, if the
woods which at present nearly cover the entire
space between lake Ponchartraine and the said
city and faubourgs, be cut down and removed, it is
more than probable that the salubrious breezes from
the said lake, will be felt to the banks of the
Mississippi, and after passing over a well drained
surface, reach the said city, free from those ex-
halations which are now brought thither by winds
blowing from that quarter, vitiating the atmos-
phere and proving fatal to human life.

And whereas, the improvements aforesaid form
an object of serious importance, not only to the
inhabitants of the said city and faubourgs, but also
to those of every other section of the state, as
their inevitable results would be the increase of
population, and the general prosperity thereof.
And whereas, so important and desirable an ob-
ject can only be effected through the medium of a
large capital, in consequence of the great number
of workmen required, and the immense expenses
necessarily attending the undertaking thereof,
and which the proprietors of the soil may want
either the means or inclination to provide for the
same, particularly as the success of an enterprise
of this nature chiefly depends upon the prepara-
tion and adoption of a judicious plan of well con-
sidered operations, on which it might be impossible
for them to agree.

And whereas, it being a well established max-
im among all civilized nations, that the welfare of
society always takes precedence over the inter-
ests of the will of individuals, should it conflict
with the same, hence, it becomes the duty of those
to whom the Legislative power is confided, to
prescribe and adopt the most efficient measures
for the accomplishment of so important an object.
Therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted, by the Senate and
House of Representatives of the State of Louisi-
ana, in General Assembly convened, That there
shall be and hereby is, created and established in
the city of New-Orleans, a company, which shall
be bound to drain, fill up and improve, as con-
templated by this bill, all that portion or tract of land
situated between a line to be drawn due North, be-
tween the city of New-Orleans, from the lower limit
of the faubourg Washington to lake Ponchar-
traine, and above, from a continuance of the line
between Annunciation and Nun's Suburbs, till it
reaches the canal of a company incorporated under
the title of the "New-Orleans Canal and Banking
Company," thence along the said canal till it
reaches the lake Ponchartraine, the whole extend-
ing back to the said lake; and the company shall
also have the privilege to extend like improvements
to the upper part, to a line drawn from the upper
part of the faubourg Livaudais, till it strikes the
east of the said Canal, and on the lower part, to a
line to be drawn due North from Fishermen's Canal,
Bayou Cochon, on lake Ponchartraine.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, &c. That the
company shall be styled the "New-Orleans
Drainage Company," and that it shall be created
and established with a capital of one million of
dollars, divided into ten thousand shares of one
hundred dollars each, of which the treasurer of
the State of Louisiana shall be authorized and em-
powered to subscribe for and take, in the name
and on behalf of the said State, shares amounting
to the sum of fifty thousand dollars, so soon as
the company shall have obtained from individuals
subscriptions, to the amount of four hundred
thousand dollars; that the corporation of the
city of New-Orleans is hereby authorized to
subscribe for and take three thousand five hundred
dollars, amounting to the sum of three hundred and
fifty thousand dollars; and that the remaining
amount shall be subscribed for and taken by other corporations
and private individuals, in the manner and form
herein provided for; and the shares shall be
subscribed in such manner as may be declared by
the laws.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, &c. That on
the conditions specified in the preceding section,
the treasurer of the State of Louisiana shall sub-
scribe, in the name and on behalf of the said
State, for five hundred shares, amounting to fifty
thousand dollars, to be paid in the following man-
ner, to wit: in the bonds of the State, signed by
the governor and countersigned by the treasurer,
bearing an interest of not more than five per cent
annum, payable and redeemable in twenty
years, to the order of the said company, said bonds
to be for the sum of one thousand dollars each, and
to be in form like those issued by the State for the
said bank, except that the interest and capital
shall be payable at the office of the treasurer of
the State; and if the said company shall stipulate
the payment of the interest or capital else-
where, no expense resulting therefrom shall be
chargeable on that portion of the stock owned by
the State; and said bonds shall be issued and de-
livered in such proportion and at such periods as
may be determined by the said company.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, &c. That if
any director, alderman and inhabitants of the city of
New-Orleans shall, by lawful authority, resolve
to subscribe for the whole amount which they are
authorized to subscribe for and take, in the said
stock of said company; or resolve to
subscribe for and take any smaller amount of the
said stock, they shall be lawful and optional with said
company to deliver to the said company; its bonds,
and by the mayor and city treasurer, in the
manner and form as provided for the bonds
of the State; and the said bonds to be issued
by the State and city; shall be delivered to
the said company in such proportion and at such
periods as the remaining part of the capital stock

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SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, &c. That the
subscription books for the balance of the capital stock
of said company not subscribed for by the city of
New-Orleans, shall be opened in said city of New-
Orleans, within sixty days after the passage of this
act, and ten days public notice, under the superin-
tendance of three commissioners, to be appointed by
the governor and with the advice and consent
of the senate; and said books shall continue
open for the space of ten days (Sundays excepted)
between the hours of ten o'clock in the morning
and three in the afternoon, when the same shall be
closed; and the said commissioners, or a majority
of them, shall immediately take an account of said
subscriptions, and if more than the balance of the
capital stock remaining, shall have been subscribed,
exclusive of the amount subscribed for by the
state and city, as provided for in this charter, the
said excess shall be deducted from the largest sub-
scriptions, so that no subscription shall be reduced
while any other remains larger. Those subscrip-
tions shall be paid in money, in such installments
as the directors shall determine, except the first
ten dollars per share, which shall be paid at the
time of subscribing; and in the event of the said
balance not being subscribed for, as aforesaid, it
shall be lawful for the board of directors, at any
time afterwards, to cause the books to be reopened
for subscriptions, on ten days notice being given
thereof, as is herein before provided.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, &c. That in
the event of the mayor, aldermen and inhabitants
of the city of New-Orleans, not subscribing for
any stock, as provided for by this charter, within
sixty days from and after the passage of this act,
they shall lose the privilege of subscribing given to
them by this act, and the amount of stock of said
company, exclusive of the five hundred shares to
be taken by the state, shall be offered to be sub-
scribed for by individuals, or any other corpora-
tion, in the manner provided for by the preceding
section. And if the mayor, aldermen and inhabi-
tants do subscribe during the said sixty days, for
less than the said three thousand five hundred
shares, the balance remaining of the capital stock,
not subscribed for by them, shall be in like man-
ner offered to be subscribed for by other corpora-
tions or private persons.

SEC. 7. Be it further enacted, &c. That be-
fore commencing the work of draining, the said
company shall cause a plan to be prepared, by an
engineer to be appointed by the president and di-
rectors of the same, showing the present state of
the land comprised within the aforesaid limits, and
dividing the said land into sections. The said plan
shall also show or indicate the nature and quanti-
ty of the work necessary for the draining and
clearing of each and every section thereof, as well
as the kind, the number, and the probable cost
of the engines and machinery requisite to carry,
in a prompt and efficient manner, all waters of
the same, during the operation of draining or
after it shall have been completed; and the said
plan shall be so prepared as to combine and sim-
plify, as far as practicable, all and every part
of the same, and the execution of any portion
thereof convenient, the said company may com-
mence said draining and other operations.

SEC. 8. Be it further enacted, &c. That the
said company is hereby invested with all the rights
and powers necessary to carry into effect the ob-
ject of this charter, as expressed in the preamble
to this act, and to this end shall have the right at
all times, of entering on said lands, and occupy-
ing, provisionally, all lands within its limits aforesaid,
and of placing therein their engines and ma-
chinery, and of freely passing in and using the
same, and of digging all necessary canals, making
all necessary embankments, on lands not belong-
ing to the said company, within said limits, and of
doing all things lawful to be done, which may be
useful or necessary, in draining, raising, filling up
and reclaiming the swamps within its said limits,
etc. The said company is hereby invested with all
the powers and privileges given by law to corpora-
tions, to sue and be sued, to contract, buy and
sell, to borrow money, to obligate themselves and
to loan, at interest, any such part of their money
as would otherwise remain idle, to have a seal, to
alter or suppress the same, to accept and receive
any gift, legacy or donation that may be made or
left in their favor, and generally to do all that may
be convenient or necessary for the performance of
the duties which are imposed upon them; or that
may be requisite for the welfare and success of
the plan and operations which are confided to them
by this act.

SEC. 9. Be it further enacted, &c. That the
affairs of the said company shall be conducted by
twelve directors, two to be appointed by the gov-
ernor, and with the advice and consent of the
senate, four to be appointed by the mayor, with
the advice and consent of the city council of New-
Orleans, in case the said mayor, aldermen and
inhabitants do subscribe for the whole three thou-
sand five hundred shares above mentioned, and
six by the stockholders; all of which said directors
shall be citizens of the United States, and appointed
in the month of January of each year; and those
by the stockholders, by election, under the superin-
tendance of the commissioners appointed by
the directors. Until the fourth Monday of Janu-
ary, (1835) one thousand eight hundred and thirty-
six, the board of directors shall consist of Thos.
Barrett, Charles Genois, A. B. Roman, Joseph
Pile, M. W. Hoffman, F. Gardere, James Hopkins,
Albert Hoas, Frederick Frey, E. J. Forstall, James
P. Freret and James H. Shepherd, one of which
shall be chosen president of the said board: That
in all elections each stockholder shall have one
vote for each share; and may vote by proxy; that
the office of said company shall be kept in the city
of New-Orleans, and a meeting of the stockholders
shall be held on the first Monday in December of
each year; the state shall be represented at the
said meeting, by the attorney-general, and the
city of New-Orleans, if it becomes stockholder,
as above provided, by the mayor; and at such
meeting a statement of the affairs of said company
shall be laid before them by the directors; and it
shall be lawful, at all times, for the stockholders
to examine the books of said company, and to re-
move from office any director appointed by the
stockholders, or the officer of the company, at a
meeting called for that purpose, after ten days
notice given in two newspapers published in the city
of New-Orleans, by any of the stockholders not
less than three, and holding not less than five
hundred shares of stock; and the board of directors
shall at all times have power to appoint an execu-
tive committee consisting of three directors, to
whom, together with the president, any of the pow-
ers granted by this charter to the board of direc-
tors, may be delegated by the by-laws or by resolu-
tions of the board; and the said board shall have
the power of filling vacancies which may occur in
their own body, and of making by-laws for the
conducting the affairs of the said company; and in
the event of the mayor, aldermen and inhabitants

of New-Orleans not subscribing for stock, as pro-
vided for by this act, the right of appointing the
four directors granted to them shall accrue to the
stockholders; and in the event of the said mayor
and aldermen subscribing only for a portion of the
stock assigned by this act for the city, the right of
appointing directors on the part of the city shall
be determined as follows: for five hundred shares,
one director; for fifteen hundred shares, two direc-
tors; for three thousand shares, three directors;
and in all cases the right of appointing the other
directors assigned by this act to represent the city,
shall be vested in the stockholders.

SEC. 10. Be it further enacted, &c. That all
divisions of profits accruing to said company, shall
be declared by annual or semi-annual dividends,
by the board of directors; and no dividend shall
ever be made or declared on nominal profits, but
the actual and realized profits shall alone be divid-
ed. All dividends accruing to the state shall con-
stitute a sinking fund, under the administration of
the governor and treasurer of the state, and the
secretary of state, or a majority of them, who shall
vest said dividends in safe stock, or place it in in-
terest-paying banks; and until the full payment of
all the state bonds issued under this act, no part of
such dividends shall be appropriated to any other
purpose than the payment of the interest and the
amortishment of the capital of said bonds: Pro-
vided, that after those dividends shall have amount-
ed to the sum of fifty thousand dollars, the surplus
may be applied by the legislature to the current
expenses of the state; and it shall be the duty of the
state treasurer, at the time of rendering his annual
account to the general assembly, to annex thereto
a statement of the operations of the said sinking
fund.

SEC. 11. Be it further enacted, &c. That the
governor shall appoint, by and with the advice and
consent of the senate, three appraisers; the mayor,
aldermen and inhabitants of the city of New-Or-
leans, three appraisers; and the board of directors
for said company shall also appoint three apprais-
ers, who shall remain in office twelve months from
the day they shall have been qualified, as herein
after provided, or until successors are appointed to
them. The said appraisers shall appoint a sub-
board of appraisers, consisting of three of their
members, whose duty it shall be to make all ap-
praisements and estimates required to be made un-
der this act; and it shall be optional with any party
or with the company, to appeal from the decision
made by said three members, on any matter sub-
mitted to them, to the whole board of appraisers,
and the decision of a majority of said board shall
be final; or to appeal, on due notice being given to
the other party or parties interested, to any court
of competent jurisdiction, within six months after
the said assessment or assessments shall have been
made and recorded, as contemplated in this charter,
and the decision of said court shall be final, unless
an appeal of said decision be taken to the proper
tribunal, within twenty days after it has been
rendered: Provided, that no such application
to a court shall stay the proceedings and operations
of the company; and if the appraisers on the part
of the state, or the commissioners for opening the
subscription books, should not be appointed before
the adjournment of the legislature, then, in that
case, the governor is hereby authorized to appoint
said appraisers, and commissioners during the re-
cess;—no stockholder of the said company can be
appointed appraiser.

SEC. 12. Be it further enacted, &c. That the
said appraisers, before entering upon the duties of
their office, shall take an oath before any magis-
trate, faithfully to discharge their duties as apprais-
ers, and to be bound by the laws of the state, and
signed by him and by them, on the back of their
respective commissions or certificates of appoint-
ment, and deposited with the secretary of state;
and all appraisements and estimates required to
be made under this act, shall be made by the
said appraisers in the manner herein provided, and
they shall decide definitively, what are the lands,
or what parts of them, included in any section or
sections to be drained, are to be considered as suf-
ficiently high or elevated as not to be benefited by
draining; and it shall be the duty of the appraisers,
at suitable times, whenever thereto required by
the directors, to estimate all the lands within the
limits of any section or sections intended to be
drained, and make returns in writing to the board
of directors, of said estimates, which shall be duly
recorded; and which said estimates shall particu-
larly state the different value of the lands in dif-
ferent situations, and be based on the cash value
in their actual condition.

SEC. 13. Be it further enacted, &c. That if
it shall be the duty of the directors appointed in
pursuance of this act, to divide the land required
to be drained, into as many sections as they may deem
necessary, to cause plans to be made thereof, and
to designate by sectional lines, the section or space
which shall be first drained; and the draining of
the other sections shall also be designated by re-
solutions, which resolutions, on publication thereof,
shall have the force and effect of law.

SEC. 14. Be it further enacted, &c. That it
shall be lawful for any owners of lands situated
within any section designated to be reclaimed by
the directors, to become for the time being, part-
ners of the company to the amount of the appraised
value of said lands in their present state, and
without any reference to their future improvement.
This partnership shall continue until the draining
of the section in which said land is situated shall
be entirely completed, at which time it shall cease.
A second appraisement of the lands shall then be
made, and it shall be optional with the said prop-
rietors of the soil, either to take back their lands
at their second appraised value, or to have them
sold, after one month's public notice, at auction,
for cash, in order to ascertain their real value; and the
difference between the first appraisement and the
second, shall be the amount to be divided between
the company and the owners of the lands. If the
owners do not consent to the sale, the half of the
difference between the first and second apprais-
ments, shall be paid by the proprietors of the
lands, either by surrendering a portion of the
soil, to be agreed upon between themselves and
the company, or in their notes, payable in one, two
or three years, bearing an interest of six per cent
per annum, with mortgage on the lands until paid;
and it is hereby declared, that in all cases, the sec-
ond appraisement of land made under this act, shall
be based on its cash value, in its reclaimed condi-
tion.

SEC. 15. Be it further enacted, &c. That as
soon as any section of land shall be designated to
be immediately drained, and the plans and ap-
praisements thereof be made under this act, the
board of directors shall give public notice thereof
in two newspapers published in the city of New-
Orleans, twice a week during four weeks, and the
owners of the land therein, who wish to avail
themselves of the conditions of the preceding sec-
tion, shall be bound to give notice in writing, at
the office of the company, within ten days after
the last publication, of their intention to that effect,
which said notice thus given, shall be binding on
the party; and all owners of land not notifying the

company, as aforesaid, shall be considered as hav-
ing forfeited the privileges granted in said sec-
tion.

SEC. 16. Be it further enacted, &c. That if
any of the lands within the limits aforesaid, and
designated to be drained by the said company un-
der this act, is subject to any mortgages or priv-
ileges, it shall be lawful for the owners thereof,
who shall wish to avail themselves of the advan-
tages offered to them by the fourteenth section here-
of, after the appraisements provided for by this
act shall have been made, to apply by petition to
the District Court of the first District, in order that
said mortgages or privileges be raised; and an ap-
plication of like nature may be made also to the
said court by the company aforesaid. And it shall
be the duty of the judge of the said court, on such
application, to cause notice thereof to be published
during thirty days, in two newspapers published
in the city of New Orleans, which notice shall con-
tain in general terms, a description of the property,
together with the name of the owner, and the na-
ture of the application; and at the expiration of
said thirty days, it shall be the duty of the said
judge to decree said land so offered, free from all
said mortgages or incumbrances, with respect to
any portion of the said land, which may have
been drained and improved by the said company,
and abandoned to them as their share of the
increased value resulting from their works, or as
to the whole of said land if it has been sold, and the
company, or any third person shall have become
purchaser thereof: provided, that in case the own-
er of said property shall himself purchase the same,
the said mortgages or mortgages shall continue to
exist upon the whole; but the mortgage in favor of
said company shall take precedence over and be
preferred to the same, until the notes to be fur-
nished by the said owner to the said company be
paid and satisfied, in accordance to the provisions
relative thereto contained in the fourteenth section
of this act. In the other cases, upon the share ac-
cruing to the said owner, from the sale of said prop-
erty being deposited in court, the judge shall de-
clare the said mortgages and mortgages to be raised
and cancelled, and the amount so deposited shall
remain subject to the same, reserving to the credi-
tors of the said owner, their respective rights there-
upon as provided for by law: provided also, that
the said company, to secure the payment of such
amount as may be due to them for the draining and
improving any land, that is to say, the payment of
one half of the difference which shall exist between
the first and second appraisements, or between the
first appraisement and the proceeds of the sale,
shall have a primary mortgage upon the land
drained and improved, which shall take precedence
over and be preferred to all and every pre-exist-
ing mortgages or mortgages, existing in favor of
minors, married women, absent persons, corpora-
tions or communities, successions, mass of credi-
tors, or of any other person or persons whatever.

SEC. 17. Be it further enacted, &c. That
nothing contained in this act, shall authorize any
person entering into partnership with the com-
pany, to bind or obligate said company by contract
or otherwise respecting its operations; but the said
company shall have the exclusive and sole control
of the draining of the land, and all contracts in re-
lation thereto; and no execution, order of seizure,
respite or cessation of property, or transmission of
property by death or otherwise, shall affect in any
manner any lands situated within any section desig-
nated to be drained under this act; but the same
shall remain subject to the provisions of this charter;
the proceeds of the sales of said lands, after pay-
ing what shall be due to the said company, as
herein before provided for, being alone subject to
order of seizure, execution, respite, cessation of prop-
erty, or transmission of the same by death or
otherwise. And it shall be lawful for all syndics,
administrators, executors, tutors and curators of
minors, and of persons interdicted or absent, and
for all administrators of vacant successions ac-
counted under the benefit of inventory, and for all
married women, minor or of full age, assisted by
their husbands who may be entitled to property,
possession, administration or management of any
land situated within any of the sections designated
as aforesaid to be drained, to enter into partner-
ship with said company, according to the four-
teenth section of this act, notwithstanding the ab-
sence, minority, interdiction, or any other incapacity
of said owners, and although the said land may
have been constituted as dotal property or
subject to usufruct. And the assent given in writ-
ing, as provided for by this act, by persons enu-
merated in this paragraph, shall be binding on the
minors, persons interdicted or absent, insolvent
debtors, married women and creditors whom the
said enumerated persons represent.

SEC. 18. Be it further enacted, &c. That
whenever any tract of land shall have been drained
and reclaimed by said company, which shall be-
long to a person that has not become a partner
of the company, according to the fourteenth sec-
tion of this act, it shall be the duty of the apprais-
ers to appraise the same and to make return there-
of in writing, which return shall be duly recorded,
and the difference between the first and second
appraisements, shall be paid to the said owner, and
the said owner shall be bound to pay the same to
said company, and to secure the faithful payment there-
of, a privilege is hereby declared to attach to said
tract of land in favor of the said company, until
complete payment of said sum is made; which
privilege shall take effect and have precedence of
all other privileges or mortgages whatsoever; and
for the payment of said sum, the owners of said
tracts of land shall be entitled to a credit of five
years, on paying to the said company six per cent
per annum interest; and on the neglect to pay
said capital and interest, or any part thereof, as
the same may fall due, the said company shall
have the right to sue on her said privilege or mort-
gage by order of seizure and sale, and the property
so seized shall be sold for cash, without ap-
praisement, to the highest bidder, after thirty days
advertisement in two newspapers published in the
city of New Orleans.

SEC. 19. Be it further enacted, &c. That if
any proprietor shall not avail himself of the priv-
ilege granted in the fourteenth section of this
act, within the time and after the publications
required in the fifteenth section, the said company
shall have the right to become the purchaser and
owner of the land of such a proprietor, within the
limits contemplated to be improved by draining;
and the first appraised value thereof. And that the
right of the company to any piece or tract of land
so situated, shall be considered and held to be
vested in said company, who shall possess the land
of said proprietor, free from all mortgages and
privileges of what nature soever, from the time
when said company shall have deposited the first
appraised value thereof, in any bank giving inter-
est on deposits, to the credit of the proprietor.

SEC. 20. Be it further enacted, &c. That for
all lands taken for the works of the company, such
as canals, drains, basins, roads, streets, and other
necessary works, the said company shall be bound
to pay the value thereof to the owners, to be as-
certained by the appraisers appointed under this act,
and in all cases the estimate is to be based on the
value of the land in its primitive state, without im-
provement; and that, if there should be any por-
tion of land within any of the sections aforesaid,
which the company shall not have drained, the
said company shall have no claim whatever against
the owner of the land for any moneys, or labor ex-
pended on the part of the land unclaimed.

SEC. 21. Be it further enacted, &c. That
whenever any section of land shall be completely
drained and improved, and shall no longer require
any labor from the company, and be in conse-
quence thereof by them abandoned, the company
shall no longer exercise any control over the same;
and the said property shall become subject to the
ordinances which the city council of New Orleans
may see fit to adopt for the preservation and keep-
ing in repair of the works done, as well as for the
direction and management of the sluices and em-
bankments, and such other machinery as may have
been established thereon, and in order to effect and fa-
cilitate, after the said abandonment by the com-
pany, the passing off of said waters into the lake,
the bayou St. John, or elsewhere; and further, the
city council are hereby authorized and empowered
to lay any tax upon the lands or lots composing
any section which may have been entirely drained
and improved, or upon any land or property with-
in their jurisdiction, as may be necessary to defray
the expenses which the preservation and repair of
said works, and the management and direction of
the sluices, engines and other machinery may re-
quire.

SEC. 22. Be it further enacted, &c. That the
company shall not proceed to the cutting down of
any wood on any section of land between New-
Orleans, its faubourgs and lake Ponchartraine,
until after the ground of such section shall have
been entirely drained, and the necessary works
completed for carrying off the waters from the
same; nor shall the said company be allowed to
abandon any ground to the city council, until af-
ter the same shall have been cleared.

SEC. 23. Be it further enacted, &c. That if
any person shall willfully obstruct, oppose or dis-
turb any officer or servant of the said company, in
the discharge of his duty, or any other person em-
ployed under the authority of the same, while in
the lawful execution of his instructions and orders,
or maliciously injure any of the works, engines or
machinery of the company, the person so offend-
ing shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by a
fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or impris-
onment not exceeding twelve months, or both.

SEC. 24. And be it further enacted, &c. That
the said company shall cease to exist after the ex-
piration of twenty years from the promulgation of
this charter, or previous to that period, as soon as
they shall have accomplished the objects of the
same, and be lawfully liquidated their affairs.

ALGER LABRANCHE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
C. DERIGNY,
President of the Senate.
Approved March 10th, 1835.
E. D. WHITE,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.—Parish Court for the
parish of Orleans, sitting at the court house in the
city of New Orleans, on the 10th day of March, A. D.
1835, in and to the effect that the said court, in
pursuance of an act of the Legislature of the State
of Louisiana, entitled "An Act for the further assur-
ance of titles to purchasers from Judicial sales," ap-
proved the 10th day of March, 1834,
Now, therefore, know ye, and all persons interested
herein, are hereby cited and admonished in the name of
the State of Louisiana, and of the Parish Court, who can set
up any right, title or claim in and to the property herein
after described, in consequence of any informality in the
order, decree or judgment of the court under which the
sale was made, of any irregularity or illegality in the ap-
praisements and advertisements, in time or manner of sale,
or for any other defect whatsoever, to show cause, within
thirty days from the day the notice is first inserted in
the public papers, why the sale so made should not be
confirmed and homologated.

The said property was sold by the Sheriff of the Parish
aforesaid on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1835, by
virtue of an Act of the Court, rendered on the 5th day
of April, A. D. 1834, in a suit entitled Joseph Adams vs.
the heirs of late Widow Larche, No 7358 of the sheet of
this court, at which sale the said Cornelius T. Aldridge
came the purchaser for the price of \$14,100, payable at
two months.

Notice is hereby given that the said property is
now in the hands of the Sheriff of the Parish of Orleans,
at the court house in the city of New Orleans, and will
be sold on the 10th day of March, 1835, at 10 o'clock
in the forenoon, to the highest bidder, for cash, or for
a term of years, or for life, or for a life estate, or for
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