Investment of moneys.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the monthly contributions, and all other moneys received on account of the society, may, from time to time, be invested in the public stocks of the United States, in loans to individuals, or in stocks of any incorporated banking institution or corporation; and the moneys so invested, or that may be deposited, shall be drawn out of the bank or place of deposit only on the order of the Treasurer, countersigned by the Secretary, and approved by the President: *Provided, nevertheless*, That the said society or body politic shall not, at any one time, hold or possess property, real, personal, or mixed, exceeding in total value the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

Proviso.

Corporation not to have banking privileges, &c.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for the said corporation to deal or trade in the manner of a bank, nor issue any note in the nature of a bank note, nor transact any other kind of business, or deal in any other manner or thing than is expressly authorized by the second section of this act; and any officer or officers who shall have assented to any such dealing or trade, shall, on conviction thereof, in the proper court, forfeit and pay the sum of five hundred dollars, one half to the use of the poor of the city of Washington, District of Columbia, and the other half to the use of the person who may prosecute for the same: *Provided, always*, That congress may, at any time, amend, alter, or annul this act.

Penalty.

Proviso.

Approved, March 3, 1841.

Statute II.

March 3, 1841.

Chap. XXXIX. — *An Act to authorize the enrolment or register of the schooner Amistad.*

Schr. Amistad may be registered or enrolled.

Be it enacted, &c., That the Spanish schooner Amistad, lately sold at New London, by the marshal, in pursuance of an order of the district court of the United States for the district of Connecticut, may be registered, or enrolled, the same as if said schooner had been built within the United States.

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