

BILL.

An Act to extend the period for payment of Fees on Crown Patents, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS by the fifth section of the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intitled "An Act to amend an Act therein mentioned, and to make other provisions for the management and disposal of the Public Lands, and to limit the period for making Free Grants," it was declared that all lands upon the grant of which fees are now due, or upon which settlement duties remain to be performed, or the performance to be proved, should be forfeited, unless such fees were paid, and such settlement duty performed, and the performance thereof proved to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council, by the thirtieth day of May, eighteen hundred and fifty-one; And whereas there is good reason for believing, that in consequence of the said Act not having obtained sufficient publicity, many persons are in danger of being injuriously affected by the provisions thereof: Be it therefore enacted, &c.

That no forfeiture of such lands shall take place in regard to any located land with reference to which the Governor in Council may not have already taken action with a view to their resumption in consequence of non-occupation and improvement, provided that payment of such fees be made, and also provided that satisfactory proof as respects the performance of settlement duties, and the fulfilment of the conditions which pertained to each location having been made, be furnished to the Commissioner of Crown Lands by the first day of August, which will be in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and fifty-two: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Governor of this Province, by Proclamation to be published in the Canada Gazette, to extend from time to time as he may think fit, the provisions of this and the next subsequent section.

12 Vict. c. 31.
No forfeiture to take place provided certain conditions are complied with by 1st August, 1852.

Proviso.

II. And be it enacted, That from and after the first day of August, 1852, such locations as the fees shall not have been paid upon, and with regard to which there shall be failure of proof of performance of settlement duties and fulfilment of the conditions, as mentioned in the last clause, shall cease to exist as locations, and such persons as may be in occupation, or may have improved thereon, shall in no other way receive Patents than as purchasers, upon

Failure to perform such conditions, to cancel the location, &c.