

BUSINESS AND POWERS OF THE BANK.

New section
70.

14. Section 70 of the said Act is repealed and the following section is substituted therefor :—

Bank may
acquire abso-
lute title in
real property.

“**70.** The bank may acquire and hold an absolute title in or to real or immovable property mortgaged to it as security for a debt due or owing to it, either by obtaining a release of the equity of redemption in the mortgaged property, or by procuring a foreclosure, or by other means whereby, as between individuals, an equity of redemption can, by law, be barred, and may purchase and acquire any prior mortgage or charge on such property.”

Property to be
sold within
certain time.

“**2.** No bank shall hold any real or immovable property, howsoever acquired, except such as is required for its own use, for any period exceeding seven years from the date of the acquisition thereof, or any extension of such period as hereinafter provided, but such property shall be absolutely sold or disposed of so that the bank shall no longer retain any interest therein unless by way of security: Provided that the Treasury Board may direct that the time for the sale or disposal thereof be extended for a further period, or periods, not to exceed five years, the whole period during which the bank may so hold such property under the provisions of this subsection not to exceed twelve years.”

Proviso :
extension of
time.

Property not
sold to be
liable to
forfeiture.

“**3.** Any real or immovable property, not within the exception aforesaid, held by the bank for a longer period than authorized by the preceding subsection, shall be liable to be forfeited to Her Majesty for the use of the Dominion of Canada, but no such forfeiture shall take effect until the expiration of at least six calendar months after notice in writing to the bank by the Minister of Finance and Receiver General of the intention of Her Majesty to claim such forfeiture, and the bank may, notwithstanding such notice, before the forfeiture is effected, sell or dispose of such property.”

Provisions
apply to real
property now
held.

2. The provisions of this section shall apply to any real or immovable property heretofore acquired by the bank and held by it at the time of the coming into force of this Act.

Section 73
amended.

15. Section 73 of *The Bank Act* is amended by adding after the word “favour” in the third line of the first subsection thereof the words “or as security for any liability incurred by it for any person,” and by adding after the word debt in the fifth line of the second subsection thereof the words “or liability.”

Loans on
standing
timber, etc.

16. The bank may lend money upon the security of standing timber and the rights or licenses held by persons to cut or remove such timber.

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Section 74
amended.

17. Subsection 2 of section 74 of *The Bank Act* is repealed and the following is substituted therefor :—

Loans to cer-
tain wholesale
manufacturers
etc.

“**2.** The bank may also lend money to any wholesale purchaser or shipper of or dealer in products of agriculture, the forest, quarry and mine, or the sea, lakes and rivers, or to any wholesale purchaser or shipper of or dealer in live stock