

the time when the Governor declares the same to be avoided in like manner, and under and subject to such provisions as aforesaid.

7. When any person has become surety to the Crown for the due accounting for public moneys, or the proper performance of any public duty, by any such person as aforesaid, such surety, when no longer disposed to continue such responsibility, may give notice thereof to his principal, and also to the Secretary of State of Canada; and all accruing responsibility on the part of such person as such surety shall cease at the expiration of three months from the receipt of the last of such notices, or upon the acceptance by the Crown of the security of another surety whichever shall first happen, and the principal shall, within one month from the receipt of the last of such notices, give the security of another surety, and register and deposit the bond of such new surety, or in default of so doing, shall be liable to forfeit and be deprived of the appointment, office, employment or commission in respect whereof such new security ought to have been given, and such new bond or security registered and deposited as aforesaid; and his appointment or commission shall be void from and after the time when the Governor declares the same to be avoided, in like manner, and under and subject to such provisions as aforesaid.

How sureties of public officers may relieve themselves from further responsibility.

Avoidance of commission.

8. The Governor in Council may remit the forfeiture or penalty in any case in which the failure to give security or to register and deposit any bond or security under this Act, has not arisen from any wilful neglect of the person bound to give register or deposit the same :

Governor may remit penalty in certain cases.

2. And if it appears to the Governor that the period hereinbefore limited for giving the security of a new surety as aforesaid, is in consequence of particular accidents, casualties or circumstances, insufficient, or that by reason of the distance or loss of letters, or illness, or the refusal of any surety to give the security, or of such surety not being deemed eligible and being rejected, or any other accident or casualty, further time will be necessary to enable the security of such new surety to be given—the Governor in Council may allow such further period for giving the security of such new surety as appears to him reasonable and proper;

Or may extend delay for giving security, &c.

3. But such extended period shall in no case exceed two months beyond the period allowed by this Act; and the precise period proposed to be allowed, together with the special grounds for allowing the same, shall be either entered in the book in which the original security has been registered, or indorsed on the back of the original bond or other security itself; and the person required to give the security of such new surety, shall not be subject to any forfeiture or penalty for not giving the same within the time limited by this Act, if he gives it within the extended period so allowed as aforesaid.

But not for more than two months, and an entry must be made.