No. 113.]

BILL.

An Act to confer on the Commissioner of Patents certain powers for the relief of the Frost and Wood Company, Limited.

WHEREAS the Frost and Wood Company, Limited, having Preamble. its place of business at the town of Smiths Falls, in the Province of Ontario, has, by its petition, represented that on and prior to the twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hun-

- 5 dred and ninety-nine, it was, by certain mesne assignments, the holder and owner of letters patent under the seal of the Patent Office, dated the sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, for new and useful improvements in disc harrow and pole attachments, being patent number forty-
- 10 three thousand one hundred and thirty-five ; that on or before the expiration of the first six years of the said letters patent, which were granted for a term of eighteen years, only the partial fee for the first six years being paid upon the issue thereof, the said company was entitled, upon application there-
- 15 for, to a certificate of payment of the additional fee provided by section 22 of *The Patent Act*, chapter 61 of the Revised R.S.C. c. 61, Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 24 of the statutes $\frac{s}{22}$; 1892, of 1892, and section 3 of chapter 34 of the statutes of 1893; 1893; c. 34, and whereas the said company and others had, prior to the c. 3.
- 20 said twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, invested large sums in the perfecting of the details of the manufacture of the said invention and the extension and advertising of the business dealing in the machines covered by the said letters patent; that the clerk in the office
- 25 of the said company whose duty it was to have obtained the renewal of the said letters patent inadvertently omitted to make such application before the sixth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, but soon after the omission was observed made application to pay the said fee, at which
- 30 date such application could not be entertained, as the Commissioner of Patents could not then accept the additional fee and grant a certificate of payment thereof; and whereas the said company has, by its petition, prayed that it be enacted as hereinafter set forth, and it is expedient to grant the prayer 35 of the said petition : Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the
- advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows :---

 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in The Patent Commissioner Act, or in the letters patent mentioned in the preamble, the of Patents 40 Commissioner of Patents may receive from the Frost and duration of Automatical duration of Patents and Statement of Statement of Statement Automatical duration of Statement o Wood Company, Limited, the application for a certificate of letters patent. payment and the usual fees upon the said letters patent for the