CHAPTER 112.

An Act respecting Mortgages of Real Estate.

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as The Mortgages Act. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 1.

2. In this Act,

(a) "Conveyance" shall include assignment, appointment, lease, settlement and other assurance and covenant to surrender made by deed on a sale, mortgage, demise or settlement of any property or on any other dealing with or for any property; and "convey" shall have a meaning corresponding with that of conveyance.

(b) "Incumbrance" shall include a mortgage in fee or for a less estate, a trust for securing money, a lien, and a charge of a portion, annuity or other capital or annual sum; and "incumbrancer" shall have a meaning corresponding with that of incumbrance, and shall include every person entitled to the benefit of an incumbrance, or to require payment or discharge thereof.

(c) "Land" shall include tenements and hereditaments, corporeal or incorporeal, houses and other buildings, and also an undivided share in land.

(d) "Mortgage" shall include any charge on any property for securing money or money's worth; "mortgage money" shall mean money or money's worth secured by a mortgage; "mortgagor" shall include any person deriving title under the original mortgagor or entitled to redeem a mortgage, according to his estate, interest or right in the mortgaged property; and "mortgages" shall include any person deriving title under the original mortgagee. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 2.

PART I.

RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MORTGAGORS AND MORTGAGEES.

3.—(1) Notwithstanding any stipulation to the contrary where a mortgagor is entitled to redeem he may require the mortgagee, instead of giving a certificate of payment or reconveyance on mortgagee to transfer, instead of reconveying.
veying and on the terms on which he would be bound to re-convey, to assign the mortgage debt and convey the mortgaged property to any third person as the mortgagor directs; and the mortgagor shall be bound to assign and convey accordingly.

(2) The right of the mortgagor to require an assignment shall belong to and be capable of being enforced by each incumbrancer or by the mortgagor, notwithstanding any intermediate incumbrance; but a requisition of an incumbrancer shall prevail over that of the mortgagor, and as between incumbrancers a requisition of a prior incumbrancer shall prevail over that of a subsequent incumbrancer.

(3) This section shall not apply if the mortgagee is or has been in possession. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 3.

4. Notwithstanding any stipulation to the contrary a mortgagor, as long as his right to redeem subsists, shall be entitled, at reasonable times, on his request, and at his own cost and on payment of the mortgagee’s costs and expenses in that behalf, to inspect and make copies or abstracts of or extracts from the documents of title relating to the mortgaged property in the custody or power of the mortgagee. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 4.

5. A mortgagor entitled for the time being to the possession or receipt of the rents and profits of any land, as to which no notice of his intention to take possession or to enter into receipt of the rents and profits thereof shall have been given by the mortgagee, may sue for such possession, or sue or distress for the recovery of such rents or profits, or to prevent or recover damages in respect of any trespass or other wrong relative thereto, in his own name only, unless the cause of action arises upon a lease or other contract made by him jointly with any other person, and in that case he may sue or distress jointly with such other person. 3-4 Geo. V. c. 18, s. 24.

6.—(1) All money payable to a mortgagor on an insurance of the mortgaged property, including effects, whether affixed to the freehold or not, being or forming part thereof, shall, if the mortgagee so requires, be applied by the mortgagor in making good the loss or damage in respect of which the money is received.

(2) Without prejudice to any obligation to the contrary imposed by law or by special contract a mortgagee may require that all money received on an insurance of the mortgaged property be applied in or towards the discharge of the money due under his mortgage. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 5.

7. There shall, in the several cases in this section mentioned, be deemed to be included, and there shall in those several cases be implied, covenants to the effect in this section stated,
by the person or by each person who conveys, as far as regards the subject-matter or share thereof expressed to be conveyed by him with the person, if one, to whom the conveyance is made, or with the persons jointly, if more than one, to whom the conveyance is made as joint tenants, or with each of the persons, if more than one, to whom the conveyance is made as tenants in common, that is to say:

(a) In a conveyance by way of mortgage the following covenants by the person who conveys, and is expressed to convey as beneficial owner, namely, covenants,

(i) For payment of the mortgage money and interest, and observance in other respects of the proviso in the mortgage;

(ii) For good title;

(iii) For right to convey;

(iv) That, on default, the mortgagor shall have quiet possession of the land; free from all incumbrances;

(v) That the mortgagor will execute such further assurances of the said lands as may be requisite; and

(vi) That the mortgagor has done no act to incumber the land mortgaged,

according to the forms of covenants for such purposes set forth in Schedule B to The Short Forms of Mortgages Act, subject to the provisions of that Act:

(b) In a conveyance by way of mortgage of leasehold property, the following further covenants by the person who conveys and is expressed to convey, as beneficial owner, namely,

(i) That the lease or grant creating the term or estate for which the land is held is, at the time of conveyance, a good, valid and effectual lease or grant of the land conveyed, and is in full force, unforfeited, and unsurrendered, and in nowise become void or voidable, and that all the rents reserved by, and all the covenants, conditions and agreements contained in the lease or grant and on the part of the lessee or grantee and the persons deriving title under him to be paid, observed and performed, have been paid, observed and performed up to the time of conveyance; and also

(ii) That the person so conveying, or the persons deriving title under him, will at all times, as long as any money remains on the security
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was paid to the testator or intestate in his lifetime, or on payment of the principal money and interest due on the mortgage, or on receipt of the consideration money for the assignment, may convey, assign, release or discharge the mortgage debt and the mortgagee’s estate in the land; and such executor or administrator shall have the same power as to any part of the land on payment of some part of the mortgage debt, or on any arrangement for exonerating the whole or any part of the mortgaged land, without payment of money; and such conveyance, assignment, release or discharge shall be as effectual as if the same had been made by the persons having the mortgagee’s estate. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 9.


11. The payment in good faith of any money to and the receipt thereof by the survivor or survivors of two or more mortgagees, or the executors or administrators of such survivor, or their or his assigns, shall effectually discharge the person paying the same from seeing to the application or being answerable for the misapplication thereof, unless the contrary is expressly declared by the instrument creating the security. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 9.

12. The purchaser in good faith of a mortgage may, to the extent of the mortgage, and except as against the mortgagor, set up the defence of purchase for value without notice in the same manner as a purchaser of the mortgaged property might do. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 10.

13. The right of a mortgagee to distrain for interest in arrear upon a mortgage made after the 25th day of March, 1886, shall be limited to the goods and chattels of the mortgagor, and to such of them as are not exempt from seizure under execution. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 11.

14.—(1) As against creditors of a mortgagor, or person in possession of mortgaged premises under a mortgagor, the right, if any, to distrain upon the mortgaged premises for arrears of interest or for rent, in the nature of or in lieu of interest under the provisions of any mortgage executed after the 23rd day of April, 1887, shall be restricted to one year’s arrears of such interest or rent.

(2) This restriction shall not apply unless some one of such creditors shall be an execution creditor, or unless there shall be an assignee for the general benefit of such creditors appointed before lawful sale of the goods and chattels distrained, nor unless the officer executing such writ of execution or such assignee shall, by notice in writing to be given to the person distraining or his attorney, bailiff, or agent before such lawful sale, claim the benefit of such restriction.
(3) When such notice is given the distrainor shall relinquish to the officer or assignee the goods and chattels so distrained, upon receiving one year's arrears of such interest or rent and his reasonable costs of distress, or if such arrears and costs shall not be paid or tendered he shall sell only so much of the goods and chattels distrained as shall be necessary to satisfy one year's arrears of such interest or rent and the reasonable costs of distress and sale, and shall thereupon relinquish any residue of them, and pay any residue of money, proceeds thereof so distrained, to such officer or assignee.

(4) An officer executing an execution, or an assignee who pays any money to relieve goods and chattels from distress under this section, shall be entitled to reimburse himself therefor out of the proceeds of the sale thereof.

(5) The goods and chattels distrained shall not be sold except after such public notice as is now required to be given by a landlord who sells goods and chattels distrained for rent. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 13.

15.—(1) In the case of mortgages made after the 1st day of July, 1888, and before the 12th day of June, 1903, unless it is otherwise expressly provided in the mortgage or otherwise with respect to notice or the payment of interest in lieu of notice, the mortgagor may pay the whole principal money if overdue or any installment thereof which has become payable according to the terms and conditions of the mortgage without previous notice to the mortgagee and without the payment of any interest in lieu of such notice.

(2) Principal money or any installment thereof shall not be deemed to be overdue or payable within the meaning of this section where it has become payable only by reason of default in payment of part of the principal or interest. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 14.

16.—(1) Notwithstanding any agreement to the contrary, where default has been made in the payment of any principal money secured by a mortgage of freehold or leasehold property made on or after the 12th day of June, 1903, the mortgagor or person entitled to make such payment may at any time, upon payment of three months' interest on the principal money so in arrear, pay the same, or he may give the mortgagee at least three months' notice, in writing, of his intention to make such payment at a time named in the notice, and in the event of his making such payment on the day so named he shall be entitled to make the same without any further payment of interest except to the date of payment.

(2) If the mortgagor or person entitled to make such payment fails to make the same at the time mentioned in the notice he shall thereafter be entitled to make such payment only on paying the principal money so in arrear and interest
thereon to the date of payment together with three months' interest in advance.

(3) Nothing in this section shall affect or limit the right of saving.

the mortgagee to recover by action or otherwise the principal money so in arrear after default has been made. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 15.

17.—(1) Where any principal money or interest secured by a mortgage of freehold or leasehold property, made after the 1st day of July, 1903, is not, under the terms of the mortgage, payable till a time more than five years after the date of the mortgage, then if, at any time after the expiration of such five years, any person liable to pay or entitled to redeem tenders or pays to the person entitled to receive the money the amount due for principal money and interest to the time of such tender or payment, together with three months' further interest in lieu of notice, no further interest shall be chargeable, payable or recoverable at any time thereafter on the principal money or interest due under the mortgage.

(2) Nothing in this section shall affect the provisions of subsection 5 of section 35 of The Loan and Trust Corporations c. 184. Act, or shall apply to any mortgage given by a joint stock company or other corporation nor to any debenture issued by any such company or corporation for the payment of which security has been given on freehold or leasehold property. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 16.

18.—(1) Where in a mortgage falling due after the 20th day of April, 1907, provision is made that if interest is paid promptly it will be accepted at a lower rate than that provided in such mortgage, and interest at such lower rate has been paid according to such condition up to the time when all the principal money has become payable, any person liable to pay or entitled to redeem shall be entitled to pay the principal money and interest on the same at such lower rate at any time after the time for payment of the principal money on giving three months' notice of his intention to make such payment or on paying three months' interest at such lower rate in lieu of notice.

(2) If the mortgagor, or person entitled to make such payment, fails to make the same at the time mentioned in such notice he shall thereafter be entitled to make such payment only on paying the principal and interest at the lower rate to the date of payment, together with three months' interest in advance. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 17.

PART II.

STATUTORY POWERS.

19. Where any principal money is secured by mortgage of land executed after the 11th day of March, 1879, the mortgagor shall, at any time after the expiration of four months.
from the time when the principal money shall have become payable, according to the terms of the mortgage, or after any interest on the principal money shall have been in arrear for six months, or after any omission to pay any premium on any insurance which, by the terms of the mortgage, ought to be paid by the mortgagor, have the following powers to the like extent as if they had been in terms conferred by the mortgage but not further, namely:

(a) A power to sell, or concur with any other person in selling, the whole or any part of the mortgaged property by public auction or private contract, subject to any reasonable conditions he may think fit to make, and to buy in at an auction and to rescind or vary contracts for sale, and to re-sell the land, from time to time, in like manner without being answerable for any loss occasioned thereby;

(b) A power to insure and keep insured against loss or damage by fire any building or any effects or property of an insurable nature, whether affixed to the freehold or not, being or forming part of the mortgaged property, and the premiums paid for any such insurance shall be a charge on the mortgaged property, in addition to the mortgage money and with the same priority and with interest at the same rate as the mortgage money. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 18.

20. A receipt for purchase money given by the person exercising the power of sale by the next preceding section conferred shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchaser, who shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 19.

21.—(1) No sale under the power conferred by section 19 shall be made until after two months' notice in writing, Form 1, has been given to every subsequent incumbrancer, and to the mortgagor, either personally or at his usual or last place of residence in Ontario.

(2) The notice may be given at any time after any default in making a payment provided for by the mortgage.

(3) In case of the death of the person entitled subject to the mortgage, and of his interest passing to an infant, the notice shall be given to his personal representative as well as to the infant.

(4) The notice to the infant shall be served upon his guardian, and if he has no guardian upon the Official Guardian, and in every case upon the infant himself if over the age of twelve years. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 20.
22. Where a conveyance has been made in professed exercise of the power of sale conferred by section 19 the title of the purchaser shall not be liable to be impeached on the ground that no case had arisen to authorize the exercise of such power, or that such power had been improperly or irregularly exercised, or that such notice has not been given; but any person damnified by an unauthorized, improper or irregular exercise of the power shall have his remedy against the person exercising the power. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 21.

(As to registration of notice, see The Registry Act, s. 58.)

23. The money arising from the sale shall be applied by the person receiving the same as follows:

Firstly, in payment of all the expenses incident to the sale or incurred in any attempted sale;

Secondly, in discharge of all interest and costs then due in respect of the mortgage under which the sale was made;

Thirdly, in discharge of all the principal money then due in respect of such mortgage; and

Fourthly, in payment of the amounts due to the subsequent incumbrancers according to their priorities, and the residue shall be paid to the mortgagor. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 22.

24. The person exercising the power of sale shall have power to convey or assign to and vest in the purchaser the property sold for all the estate and interest therein of the mortgagor and of which he had power to dispose. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 23.

25. At any time after the power of sale shall have become exercisable the person entitled to exercise the same shall be entitled to demand and recover from the mortgagor all deeds and documents in his possession or power relating to the mortgaged property, or to the title thereto, which he would have been entitled to demand and recover if the property had been conveyed, appointed, surrendered or assigned to and was then vested in him for all the estate and interest of the mortgagor and of which he had power to dispose; and where the legal estate is outstanding in a trustee the mortgagee, or any purchaser from him, shall be entitled to call for a conveyance of the legal estate to the same extent as the mortgagor could have called for such a conveyance if the mortgage had not been made. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 24.

26. So much of this Part as confers a power to sell shall not apply in the case of a mortgage which contains a power of sale except as in section 27 provided; and so much as con-
fers a power to insure shall not apply in the case of a mort-
gage which contains a power to insure; nor shall any of the
provisions of this Part apply to a mortgage which contains a
declaration that this Part shall not apply thereto. 10 Edw.
VII. c. 51, s. 25.

27.—(1) Where a mortgage made in pursuance of The
Short Forms of Mortgages Act contains a power of sale in the
form No. 14, in Column One of Schedule B to that Act, the
mortgagee may, in exercising the power, in lieu of taking the
proceedings provided for by such form, Column Two, take
proceedings under and have the benefit of the provisions of
this Part, except that such power shall not be exercisable until
after at least four months' default and at least two months'
otice, or such longer periods as may by the power contained
in such mortgage be fixed therefor, and this Part shall apply
to a sale made under such power.

(2) Where a mortgage purporting to be made in pursuance
of The Short Forms of Mortgages Act contains a power of sale
which provides for a sale without notice, the mortgagee may
take proceedings to sell under and have the benefit of the pro-
visions of this Part as fully and effectually as if the mortgage
had not contained a power of sale.

(3) Subsection 2 shall apply to all mortgages whether
heretofore or hereafter made. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 26.

PART III.

GENERAL PROVISIONS AS TO POWER OF SALE.

28. A notice of exercising a power of sale shall state the
amounts claimed to be due for principal, interest and costs
respectively. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 27.

29.—(1) Where, pursuant to any condition or proviso con-
tained in a mortgage, there has been made or given a demand
or notice either requiring payment of the money secured by
such mortgage, or any part thereof, or declaring an intention
to proceed under and exercise the power of sale therein con-
tained, no further proceeding and no action either to enforce
such mortgage, or with respect to any clause, covenant or
 provision therein contained, or to the mortgaged property or
any part thereof, shall, until after the lapse of the time at or
after which, according to such demand or notice, payment of
the money is to be made or the power of sale is to be exercised
or proceeded under, be commenced or taken unless and until
an order permitting the same has been obtained from a Judge
of the County or District Court of the County or District in
which the mortgaged property or any part thereof is situate,
or from a Judge of the Supreme Court.
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(2) The order may be obtained ex parte upon such proof of the proposed action or proceeding should be permitted.

(3) This section shall not apply to proceedings to stay waste or other injury to the mortgaged property. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 28.

(As to costs of order see The Judges' Orders Enforcement Act.)

30.—(1) Where such demand or notice requires payment of all money secured by or under a mortgage the person making such demand or giving such notice shall be bound to accept and receive payment of the same if made as required by the terms of such demand or notice.

(2) If there is a dispute as to the costs payable by the person by or on whose behalf such payment is either made or tendered such costs shall, on three clear days' notice to such person by the person claiming the same, be taxed and ascertained by the Clerk of the County or District Court, or by the Local Master of the county or district in which the mortgaged property or any part thereof is situate.

(3) If within ten days after the costs have been so taxed and ascertained, payment of such money and costs is duly made or tendered to the person entitled thereto, or to his solicitor or agent, the same shall be deemed a compliance with such demand or notice.

(4) A mortgagee's costs of and incidental to the exercise of a power of sale, whether under this Part or otherwise, may, without an order, be taxed by one of the taxing officers of the Supreme Court at Toronto or by a local master having jurisdiction in the county or district in which the mortgaged property or any part of it is situate at the instance of any person interested. 10 Edw. VII. c. 51, s. 29.

FORM I.

NOTICE OF SALE UNDER MORTGAGE.

I hereby require you on or before the day of 19 , (a day not less than two calendar months from the service of the notice, and not less than six months after the default), to pay off the principal money and interest secured by a certain mortgage dated the day of 19 , and expressed to be made between (here state parties and describe mortgaged property), which mortgage was registered on the day of 19 , (and if the mortgage has been assigned add: and has since become the property of the undersigned). And I hereby give you notice that the amounts due on the said mortgage for principal, interest, and costs respectively, are as follows: (set the same forth).

And unless the principal money, interest and costs are paid on or before the said day of 19 , I shall sell the property comprised in the said mortgage under the authority of The Mortgages Act.

Dated the day of 19 .

10 Edw. VII. c. 51, Form I.