

and tend to unite more closely the interests of the Colonies with those of the Mother Country, but to make such alteration in the Currency of this Province at present would be inconvenient and inexpedient, unless the same were adopted in the adjoining Colonies :—*And whereas*, in the meantime, until such change shall be made in the Currency of the other Colonies, it is requisite and necessary to establish a standard of value and an equivalent for property which may be obtained by affixing a value upon Foreign Gold and certain British Silver Coins :

Value of British
Shillings and
Six Pences in
this Province
established

I. *Be it therefore enacted, by the President, Council and Assembly, That*, from and after the passing of this Act, the several British Silver Coins hereinafter mentioned and specified, shall and may be offered and received, paid, and legally tendered, by or to the Provincial Treasurer or other Public Officers, or by or to any Body, Politic or Corporate, person or persons whomsoever, in payment, satisfaction or discharge, of any debt, sums of Money, Duties, Contracts, Obligations, Liabilities, or Demands whatsoever, at the several and respective rates of value following, that is to say ;—The English Shilling at the rate of One Shilling and Three Pence Currency, and the English Six Pence at the rate of Seven Pence Half-penny Currency : *Provided always*, that no person shall be obliged to receive at one time payment of more than Fifty Pounds of Halifax Currency in British Silver Money at the rate or rates aforesaid.

Province

And whereas, Spanish American Doubloons are brought into this Province in the course of Trade, and in payment of the Exports therefrom, and have been, since the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Nineteen, received and paid at and after the rate of Four Pounds Currency, and four Treasury Notes of One Pound each have since that time been deemed equivalent to One Doubloon, and the difficulty of procuring British Coins in the ordinary course of Trade still continuing, it is necessary that the said Doubloon should become and be made a legal Tender at the rate aforesaid.

Doubloons es-
tablished at 4l.
Currency

II. *Be it therefore enacted, That*, from and after the passing of this Act, the said Doubloon, being of full weight and fineness, shall and may be offered and received, paid and legally tendered to the Provincial Treasurer, or other Public Officers, or by or to any Body, Politic or Corporate, person or persons whomsoever, in payment, satisfaction or discharge, of any Debts, sums of Money, Duties, Obligations, Liabilities or Demands whatsoever, contracted since the Nineteenth day of April, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Nineteen, at and after the rate of Four Pounds Currency for one Doubloon.

Contracts made
in Sterling

III. *And be it further enacted, That* the Pound Sterling, as represented by the Gold Coin of the United Kingdom of Great-Britain and Ireland, called the Sovereign, shall henceforth be deemed and taken to be the Unit or Standard or Measure of Money or value, whereby, or with reference to which, all Contracts which shall hereafter be entered into, for the payment of British Sterling Money, shall be regulated and ascertained within this Province.

Copper Money

IV. *And be it further enacted, That* the Copper Money legally current in the United Kingdom, and the Copper Coins procured by the authority of the Legislature, for the use of, and issued from, the Treasury of the Province, shall be current, paid and received, at the same rates as British Penny and Half-penny Pieces in the United Kingdom, when the payment is to be made in Sterling, but if made in existing Currency then in the like proportion as such Currency bears as herein adjusted to Sterling Money. *Provided always*, that no person shall be obliged to receive at one time payment of more than Twelve Pence Sterling of Copper Money ; *And provided also*, that in payment no account shall be taken of, or payment be required for, any fractional part remaining due less than one Half-penny.

Continuation of
Act

V. *And be it further enacted, That* this Act shall be in force until the Thirty-first day of December, which will be in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-five, and no longer.