

the British penny or half-penny, lawfully current in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

Conditions on which copper coins or tokens may be permitted to be imported and manufactured.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted,—that no such permission shall be granted by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the government of the said Province as aforesaid, for the importation or manufacture of any copper or brass coin or tokens, under the provisions of this act, by any person or persons, body politic or corporate,—Unless such coin or tokens be stamped with the nominal value thereof,—and with the name of such person or persons, body politic or corporate;—And such coins and tokens shall be payable or redeemable on demand, by such person or persons, body politic or corporate,—at the nominal value thereof,—in lawful current coin,—being a legal tender in this Province, in payment of a debt equal to the nominal value of the coins or tokens for which payment shall be so demanded.

See 4 & 5 Vict. cap. 93.

Coins or tokens imported or manufactured in contravention of this ordinance, to be forfeited.

Any two Justices of the peace may take cognizance of such offence.

III. And be it enacted,—that all such coin or tokens as aforesaid,—Imported or manufactured in contravention of this act,—shall be forfeited to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, for the public uses of this Province;—and the person or persons who shall have manufactured—or Imported the same—shall thereby incur a penalty not exceeding five pounds, currency, for every pound troy of the weight thereof;—And it shall be lawful for any two or more justices of the peace,—on the oath of any credible person, that any such coin or tokens have been so unlawfully manufactured—or Imported—as aforesaid,—to cause the same to be seized and detained, and to summon the person or persons, or any one of them, in whose possession the same shall be found, to appear before him,—And if it shall appear to his satisfaction—on the oath of any credible witness, other than the informer,—that such coin or tokens have been manufactured—or Imported—in contravention of this act, such justices of the peace shall declare the same forfeited,—and shall place them in safe keeping to await the disposal of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or person administering the government of the Province, for the public uses of this Province;—and, if it shall, in like manner, appear to the satisfaction of such justices of the peace,—that the person or persons in whose possession such coin or tokens were found,—knew the same to have been so illegally manufactured—or Imported,—he may condemn such person or persons, or any of

See also 3 & 4 W. A. c. 59. s. 75. Imp. act.

May commit persons having such coins in possession.