No. 47.

An Act to amend the Act for establishing Freedom of Banking.

HEREAS it is expedient to amend the Act for establish- Preamble. ing Freedom of Banking, in the manner hereinafter mentioned: therefore Her Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, 5 enacts as follows:

I. The thirteenth Section of the Act passed in the Session Sect. 13 of 13, held in the thirteenth and fourteenth 'years of Her Majesty's 14 V. c. 21 re-repealed: and Reign, and chaptered twenty-one, is hereby repealed, and the a new Secfollowing section shall be substituted in lieu thereof:—

10 "No individual Banker shall make or issue Bank Notes, Provincial and no Joint Stock Association shall commence the business of securities to be deposited be-Banking, until they shall have respectively deposited in the fore comhands of the Receiver General, for the purposes of this Act, mencing busi-Debentures or other securities issued by, or the payment of the whatamounts. 15 principal and interest whereof is guaranteed by the Government of this Province, under the authority of the Legislature thereof, or secured upon the Upper Canada or the Lower Canada Municipal Loan Fund, and bearing interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, (or if bearing a less rate of interest, then to 20 proportionally greater amounts) to amounts not less than those hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:

Any Joint Stock Association, to the amount of not less than Twenty-Five Thousand Pounds:

Any individual Banker, to the amount of not less than Twenty-25 Five Thousand Pounds:

The value of the said Debentures or securities being reckoned Value to be at par, and the same being held by the Receiver General in reckoned at pledge for the due redemption of the Bank Notes of the Bank par. by which they are deposited, and the interest thereon being 30 paid over to such Bank, as the same shall accrue, except as hereinaster provided."

Which said Section shall be construed as the thirteenth Section of the said Act.

II. The words "and not elsewhere," in the Proviso to the Certain words in Sect. 14, 35 fourteenth Section of the said Act, are hereby repealed. repealed.