

PREFACE.

THE following Tables are respectfully offered to the patronage of Bankers, Merchants, Ship Masters, and others engaged in trade, in this and the adjoining Provinces.

The author presumes, that on trial, their utility will be found sufficient to secure them a place in every Counting House and Office, where the reduction of Currency into British Sterling, or *vice versa*, forms a subject of calculation. They will serve to ascertain and assure the accuracy of those who calculate with facility, while, to those who are not so habitually correct, they will be still more advantageous. In this great and growing country, where Commerce is so general a pursuit, there are few who will not be pleased to have a work of this kind, in which they have calculations made to their hand.

The author, being fully aware of the extreme importance of accuracy to the success of his undertaking, has adopted such means of detecting all errors, whether of calculation or printing, that its correctness may be relied upon with perfect safety.

The work is comprised in two parts. The first part consists of a series of Tables, reducing Currency into Sterling, from 5 per cent. premium to $14\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. premium. Its compilation and publication was suggested to the author by the most eminent mercantile men of this City,—the peculiar requirements of our trade causing calculations reducing Currency into Sterling, to be much more frequent than those reducing Sterling into Currency, for which Fessenden's Exchange Tables, now in use, only provide. It was for this part only the majority of the subscribers engaged with the author; but after consulting some of his friends, and with the view of making the work as useful as possible, he has since added the second part, which contains a series of Tables reducing Sterling into Currency, and into Dollars and Cents, besides several