

C A P. VIII.

AN ORDINANCE

For regulating the militia of the province of Quebec, and rendering it of more general utility, towards the preservation and security thereof.

[Repealed by Prov. Stat. 34, GEO. III. Cap. 4th. Sec. 31.]

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For regulating the currency of the province.

Preamble.

Rate at which
the different coins
shall pass.

IN order to ascertain the value of the different coins usually passing in this province, and to prevent the same from being falsified or impaired, it is ordained and enacted by his excellency the captain general and governor in chief of this province, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council of the Province, that the following species of coins shall pass current throughout this province, at and after the rates herein after mentioned,—that is to say,

G O L D.

	Dwts.	Gr.	£.	s.	d.
The Johannes of Portugal, weighing	18	6	—	4	0 - 0
The Moidore	6	20	—	1	10 - 0
The Doubloon or four Pistole piece	17	—	3	12	0 - 0
The Guinea	5	8	—	1	3 - 4
The Louis d'Or	5	3	—	1	2 - 6

paying two-pence one farthing for every grain of gold under weight.

S I L V E R.

The Spanish Dollar	0	—	5	—	0
The British Crown	0	—	5	—	6
The French crown or piece of six livres <i>tournois</i>	0	—	5	—	6
The French piece of four livres ten sols <i>tournois</i>	0	—	4	—	2
The British shilling	0	—	1	—	1
The French piece of twenty four sols <i>tournois</i>	0	—	1	—	1
The Pistreen	0	—	1	—	0
The French piece of thirty six sols <i>tournois</i>	0	—	1	—	8

Higher or lower
denominations in
proportion.

And all the higher or lower denominations of the said gold and silver coins shall pass current in their due proportions. And the said species of coins or any of them, at the said rates, shall be deemed a legal tender in payment of all debts whatever.

Any person con-
victed of impair-
ing or diminish-
ing any foreign
gold coin passing
current in the pro-
vince,

II. If any person whatsoever shall, after the publication of this ordinance, for lucre or gain, by any art, ways or means, clip wash, round, file, impair, diminish or falsify, or cause to be clipped, washed, rounded, filed, impaired, diminished or falsified any coin passing current in this province (other than the current coin of Great Britain, whereof the clipping, washing, rounding, filing, impairing, diminishing or falsifying, is declared to be high treason by the criminal laws of England, now in force in this province) such person offending