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An Act to discontinue the incorporation of Joint Stock Banks and the issue of Registered Bank-Notes, under the Free Banking Acts.

WHEREAS it is expedient to discontinue the further incor- Preamble. poration of Joint Stock Banks under the Acts hereinafter mentioned, and the issue of Registered Bank-Notes under the same : Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice 5 and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

I. From and after the passing of this Act no Joint Bank shall No Bank to be incorporated under the provisions of the Act passed in the be hereafter Session held in the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her Maincorporated 10 jesty's Reign, and intituled, An Act to establish freedom of V. c. 21; nor Banking in this Province and for other purposes relative to any Register-Banks and Banking, and the Acts amending the same, nor ed Bank-notes shall the Inspector General cause any Bank-Notes to be struck under it. or authorize any Clerk or Officer to number, register or coun-15 tersign any Bank-Notes; but to Joint Stock Banks incorporated under the said Acts before the passing of this Act, and to Bank-Notes theretofore registered and delivered under them, the provisions of the said Act, shall continue to apply.