

CANADIAN COINAGE, FORWARDED FROM THE ROYAL MINT, LONDON :—

1853. 16th Oct..	30 Boxes Silver.	{ 20 cent pieces. 10 " " 5 " "	{ \$ 50,000 00 10,000 00 15,000 00	\$ 75,000 00
1858. 20th Dec..	107 Boxes Silver.	{ 20 " " 10 " " 5 " "	{ 96,978 40 111,640 20 58,019 45	
1860. 22nd May.	485 Boxes Bronze.	{ 1 " "	{ 96,903 88	96,903 88
Total.....			\$ 437,641 93	\$ 437,641 93

In general practice, both American quarters and British shillings are taken in shops in Canada for twenty-five cents, goods being "marked up" accordingly, and tradesmen frequently give a premium for Bank Bills.

American silver has therefore been imported in large quantities, and several million dollars worth of it are in circulation in the Province.

In Post Offices and Banks, Canadian coin is the only silver taken at its face value, the consequence of which is that almost all our silver coin is locked up in the vaults of the several Banks.

The paper money of Canada has been until of late exclusively issued by the Banks, and is of the denominations of \$1, \$2, \$4, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The New Brunswick legal dollar is the same as that of Canada, bearing the same relation to the English sovereign. The Bank notes are of denominations as low as \$1, and are considered equal to gold.

The coins imported by the Province are of the same denominations as those of Canada; viz: 20, 10 and 5 cent pieces, of silver, and one cent of bronze. The Government made two importations—the first of \$30,011.00 in shillings; \$15,012.90 in six pences; \$5,002.75 in three pences, and \$3,000.00 in cents. The second was of \$44,985.35 in silver coins in about the same proportion, and of \$9,980.87 in copper. Total face value \$107,992.87, total cost £9,872 17s. 11d. sterling.

These coins are now the common metallic currency of the Province, the American silver quarter being taken for 20 cents only, and the British shilling being legal only as 24 cents, which is below their intrinsic value, and therefore drives them out of circulation.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The sovereign of the United Kingdom is equal to five dollars in the currency of Nova Scotia. The doubloon, if not less weight than 415 grains and containing not less than 360 grains of pure gold is \$16.

The Peruvian, Mexican, Columbian and old Spanish dollars, of the full weight of 416 grains and containing not less than 373 grains of pure silver are legal for 4s. 2d. sterling or \$1.04. The silver coins of the United Kingdom are legal tender, to the extent of \$10, at the following rates:

The Crown, \$1.25; the half Crown, \$0.62½; the florin, \$0.50; the shilling, \$0.25; the six pence, \$0.12½; the four pence, \$0.08.

No other silver coin is legal tender, but the American "quarter" passes current at 22½ cents.

The copper coin of the Province is the only legal tender in copper, and then only to the extent of 25 cents.

All Public Accounts are kept and all judgments must be entered and executions taken out in dollars and cents.