

An Act for y^e advancement of Coines.

Whereas by Experience it is found that the want
of ready Money in this Province is a very great Inconvenience
and much Impedes the Trade thereof, and that without
ready Money no Encouragement can be given to Handicrafts
and Tradesmen either to come or continue in this Province.
Be it therefore enacted by the King and Queens most
Excellent Majesties by and with the Advice and Consent of
this present Generall Assembly, and the Authority of the
Same, for the reasons aforesaid and for Encouraging of
Such as shall bring Money into this Province, That
all Coines (except the Coine of our Sovereign Lord & Lady
the King and Queens most Excellent Majesties of England)
shall be advanced and paid taken and received by all Persons
whatsoever for the full value in Money Sterl. as by this
Act is hereafter nominated and enjoyned, That is to say, that
every New England Shilling shall pass and be deemed to
pass and shall be paid and received for twelve pence Sterl.
and every New England Six pence for six pence Sterl.
and either of the said Coines in lesser or greater peices to
be advanced the Sum of three pence proportionable in
every Shilling or twelve pence, Also every French Crown
peice of eight Rix Dollar at Six Shillings Sterl. Ducatoon